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## **RALPH KERLE**

Sydney, Australia. Lives and works in Sydney, Australia.

### **VITA**

#### **Education**

Dramatic Arts - University of Melbourne - Victoria College of the Arts - Melbourne Australia - AU

Master in Creative Industries - Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, Australia,

#### **Solo Exhibitions**

2019

Ralph Kerle - Gallery Intercontinental Hotel - Sydney - AU

2017

Galerie Subjectobject - Berlin - DE

2016

Sagra Gallery - Melbourne - AU

Crea Design Gallery - Riga - LV

2015

Espaco Espelho d'Água - Lisbon - PT

2014

Gallery 307 - Sydney - AU

Gallery 88 - Sydney - AU

#### **Group Exhibitions**

2020

Daugavpils - Mark Rothko Center - Daugavpils - LV

Art Palmbeach - Florida - USA

2018

WelcomeArt - Gallery Embaixada Real Principe - Lisbon - PT

42 Contemporary Artists by Enter Art Foundation - Gerichtshofe - Berlin - DE

#### **Awards**

150th Heritage Photographic Competition - Willoughby City Council - Sydney - AU

#### **Collections**

New South Wales Minister for the Arts - Sydney - AU

Intercontinental Hotel - Sydney - AU

Ramsay Healthcare - The Northside Clinic - Sydney - AU

### **ARTIST STATEMENT**

My art is composed of works that reflect on abstractions in nature as an art form. I am of the opinion abstract painting is not an unconscious act of external visualization by an artist. I believe it forms as the result of an artist's subconscious observation in reality and an abstract painting is the artist's manifestation of what their brain has perceived it sees. My creative process is based on capturing those unconscious abstractions in nature first, using a 21st Century medium - the digital camera - then offering them to the viewer to form their own perceptions of what these natural abstractions represent. Each work consists of abstractions found in the sun's reflections on the surface of water. Ralph does not use photoshop nor does he artificially create the abstract



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photographs in any of his series. The artist's images are a direct result of nature, and the artist's swift spontaneous abstract eye. Together they capture a moment in time that exists in reality. There is no right or wrong way to view his work. Each piece the artist offers freely for the viewer to form their own meaning through the artwork's shape, colour and form. The philosophy behind Ralph's contemporary abstract's is to encourage pleasurable aesthetic mediation and connection.

**Website**

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