



DESIGN NARRATIVES *in* GAWLER

STREET ART MURALS

175 year Anniversary Celebrations

Street art is a unique expression of art presented on approved outdoor locations. Its medium includes stencils, paste-ups, mosaics and murals and does not include graffiti or tagging.

Legal street art contributes to a vibrant urban environment.

CAR PARKS & DESIGN

The top floor of Gawler's multi-story car park, alongside the Woolworths complex, features art work from three Gawler artists. The artists involved were Seb Humphreys, Scott Rathman & Robyn Hall. They designed concepts that highlighted Gawler's 175th anniversary celebration of 2014. The multi-story car park was selected because the facility was a regular target for graffiti attacks. Street artist Seb Humphreys collaborated with students from Gawler and District College B-12 to design a series of modern street art murals which were inspired by the natural environment. Their medium was aerosol cans.

SCOTT RATHMAN

Indigenous artist Scott Rathman painted an interpretive mural which examines the history of the three rivers that

surround Gawler – the North Para & South Para rivers, which branch into the Gawler River. Previous to white settlement the rivers formed watering holes for the indigenous population. His mural also embraces the 175 years of European settlement in Gawler. Rathman combined traditional elements with his own design interpretations into the mural. His medium was brush work. It took three months for his art work to be completed. Rathman also designed murals for the innovative pop-up laneway venue held in Murray Street.

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I get asked by many people where the designs come from for my artworks. The inspiration can be anything I see, or maybe something I feel, but I find this a complicated question to answer as the ideas just appear to me. I see the finished work before I have even started, and I do

my best to capture it in some rough sketches. I see so many of these finished works that I often struggle to get them all down. I would like to think that in some way my Grandmother is connecting to me to inspire and bring the creativity in me out in the form of a painting... ..I guess I am not sure exactly where it comes from, I just appreciate that I have the ability to express myself through art.

Scott Rathman 2012

RELATED DESIGNS, GAWLER

- Gawler Community Gallery. Station Master's House, Gawler Railway Station.
- Pop Up Laneway. Between Gawler Institute & the ANZ Bank. Murray St (when advertised)
- May Brothers Mural. Preserved & placed in Gawler National Trust Museum. Murray Street, Gawler.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- gawler.nowandthen.net.au
- gawler.sa.gov.au/laneway
- rathman1.tumblr.com/