



Lisa Iselin

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Lives QLD

Home beach Pandanus, Adder Rock 2004

Bitumen and ink on paper

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Lisa Iselin is a mixed media artist who works primarily in drawing and painting. Lisa lives and works on North Stradbroke Island and draws her inspiration directly from the environment and the elements around her. She attended Queensland College of Art from 1986 to 1989, graduating with a Bachelor of Fine Arts, majoring in painting.

Lisa Iselin's work is essentially a celebration of the spirit of nature. In her representation of various trees growing around North Stradbroke Island – Mangroves, Banksias, Pandanus Palms, Casuarinas and Paper Bark, she reflects on the shifts of the natural order as it occurs through wind and water, moving sand, shaping branches, and exposing or burying root systems. The ebb and flow of the tide reveals and then covers up driftwood, rocks and shells.

When walking, she often takes photographs, makes sketches and mentally absorbs the surroundings of her local environment. In her studio, she adapts these images by capturing the energy of the elements in the marks on paper. With the larger works, it is intended that the viewer feel they might actually be able to walk into it, become part of the scenery and feel its presence.