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Paul Delprat shares his Harbour Spirit

Mosman Art Gallery is pleased to present the work of Mosman artist Paul Delprat from 8 December 2018 – 10 February 2019. The exhibition titled *Harbour Spirit* will be exhibited in the Gallery's *In Profile* space which is dedicated to showcasing the work of local artists.

The exhibition presents a selection of small oil paintings recently created, en plein air, by the artist working on the escarpment of Georges Heights, overlooking the entrance to Sydney Harbour. Delprat says: *"I never tire of the beauty of the greatest harbour in the world and take great delight in watching the pageant of Sydneysiders in their various craft going about their pleasures."* *Harbour Spirit* also includes a number of works created in his Mosman studio.

Delprat's art practice includes drawing, pastel painting, landscape, figure and portraiture in oils, etching and sculpture, often taking inspiration from local areas such as Georges Heights and Balmoral Beach. He has had more than 20 solo exhibitions in Sydney and has exhibited in London, Melbourne, Perth and Adelaide. Delprat has also been previously selected for the Archibald, Sulman and Wynne Prize exhibitions.

In 1969 Delprat's paintings, drawings and sculptures were featured in the Australian film *Age of Consent* which was based on a novel by Norman Lindsay. He later created paintings and drawings for the film *Sirens* in 1994, which was based on the life of Norman Lindsay.

Growing up in an artistic family, Delprat's first artistic studies were with his grandfather and artist Julian Howard Ashton. He later attended Julian Ashton Art School which was founded by his great-grandfather, Julian Ashton. Delprat has been the Principal of the School since 1988. He is currently Patron of the Mosman Art Society and was Patron of Portrait Artists Australia from 2002-2014.

Paul Delprat: *Harbour Spirit*

Where: Mosman Art Gallery, 1 Art Gallery Way, Mosman NSW 2088
On view: 8 December 2018 – 10 February 2019
Open: 7 days, 10am – 5pm (closed public holidays)
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