



# A Demonstration in Oil Painting by **GRAHAM COX**

## About the Artist

Graham Cox has been a full-time artist for about 40 years, mainly working in oils and pastel. His style of painting has been described as “Romantic Realism”. His landscape paintings have long enjoyed wide appeal, capturing qualities of the Australian continent and its islands in a unique way.

Graham was born in Sydney in 1941. After leaving school studied painting part-time for 2 years with Peter Panow - a Russian immigrant who had been trained in the grand studio traditions of St. Petersburg before the Revolution, and Paris in the 1920's. This exotic introduction stood him in good stead in the country towns where he worked and painted after leaving Sydney.

It was in Tasmania, following a new employment opportunity where Graham's artistic aspirations took an exciting turn, when he won the inaugural Namatjira Prize for artists under 25. However another 13 years were to elapse before he finally became a professional artist. Since that time he has held 66 one-man exhibitions in NSW, Tasmania and Queensland. Over the years he has also won numerous Art Prizes, including Best in Show in the Great Lakes, Taree, and Singleton Art Competitions, and Grand Champion at the Currabubula Red Cross Art Exhibition. Two books on his work have been published; *Graham Cox: The Journey Begins*, and *The Art of Graham Cox*. Graham has been featured twice on the ABC TV 7:30 Report, and has been interviewed many times on radio and local TV. His work is studied as part of the Faculty of Fine Arts curriculum at the University of Essen, Germany. His paintings have hung as finalists in the Wynne Prize at the Art Gallery of NSW on 5 occasions, enhancing his reputation as one of the country's leading artists.

Public and private collections both here and overseas possess fine examples of his work, many being large commissioned works.

Graham lives with his wife, Krysten Walker-Cox (a highly regarded sculptor) on their property near Buchanan in the Lower Hunter Valley, where he continues to create beautiful pictures which delight & elevate the spirit.

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