

WHS ALUMNI Q&A

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WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO SINCE GRADUATING FROM WHS?

After graduating at WHS I studied fine art at the National Art School then continued my artistic practice after graduating there. This lead me to following a career in mural painting and fine art making. I have now been professionally making art for nearly a decade and my time since WHS has been filled with a lot of travel and exploring the world as well as making art for exhibitions and painting murals in scattered places across Australia and the world.

HOW DID YOUR TIME AT WHS INFLUENCE OR HELP YOU DISCOVER YOUR PASSIONS AND INTERESTS?

Art class for me became my biggest interest and from here I came to feel a real sense of belonging within art making. My art teachers at the time were exceptionally helpful and gave me guidance to follow my passion and explore it further.

WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVOURITE MEMORIES FROM YOUR TIME AT WHS?

The best memories of all were being with friends everyday. I feel like I took this for granted and now looking back it was such a beautiful time being together and having good and bad days surrounded by your mates.

DO YOU HAVE AN BUSINESS INSTAGRAM OR WEBSITE THAT YOU WOULD BE HAPPY FOR US TO SHARE?

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WHAT EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES WERE YOU INVOLVED IN AT SCHOOL?

I was really into skateboarding at the time and anything out doors. But painting and drawing was something that took up most my time.

WHAT DO YOU THINK MAKES OUR SCHOOL SPECIAL?

The ability and opportunity to be myself during art class is what made WHS special for me and that came down to being accepted and supported by my teachers at the time. I really did appreciate that connection I made and i think it has a huge role in making your time special at school. The relationships you make with friends and teachers are exceptionally important but I also believe that your own mindset is what will make the experience special and going through school trying to make the most out of what you can makes it worthwhile.

