

# SONIA PAYES

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Sonia Payes' artistic practice is based in Melbourne Australia where she continually pushes the boundaries between photography sculptural work and new media. Her body of work explores the narrative of humanity's impact on the landscape and environment and the resulting resilience and capacity of the everchanging world to adapt and grow.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025** Sonia Payes - Satellite exhibition - BOWIE X SUKITA - Fotonostrum - El Born - Barcelona - SPAIN
- 2024** Sonia Payes - Alchemy 2.0 - Fotonostrum - Barcelona - SPAIN
- 2024** Sonia Payes - Alchemy - Ocean Drive Hotels - Barcelona - SPAIN
- 2024** Sonia Payes - Alchemy - SOHO Galleries - Woollahra - Sydney - NSW - AUS
- 2024** Sonia Payes - Renaissance: A Journey of Transformation - Photo2024 International Festival of Photography - Museum of Australian Photography - MAPH - VIC - AUS
- 2023** Alchemy - Scott Livesey Galleries - Prahran - VIC - AUS
- 2022** Transmutations 2022 - SP X NFT - Assembly Point Creative Spaces - City Of Melbourne - VIC - AUS
- 2022** Alchemy There-Is Gallery - Fringe World - Perth - WA - AUS
- 2017** Australians In PNG - Terra Mysteria - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - Wheelers Hill VIC AUS
- 2017** Emergence - Scott Livesey Galleries - Armadale - VIC - AUS
- 2016** Parallel Futures - McClelland Sculpture Park & Gallery - Langwarrin - VIC - AUS
- 2016** Art16 London - Fehily Contemporary - Olympia Grand - London - UK
- 2016** Inaugural Fabrik Expo - Willow Studios - Los Angeles - USA
- 2014** Re Generation - Queensland Festival of Photography - Percolator Gallery - QLD - AUS
- 2013** Interzone - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC - AUS
- 2013** Luminous Interlude - Queensland Centre for Photography - Brisbane - QLD - AUS
- 2013** The White Dress - L'Oreal Melbourne Fashion Festival - Glen Eira City Council Gallery - VIC - AUS
- 2012** Fantastic Dreamland - Shanghai Cultural Exhibition Centre - Australian Contemporary Photography - Shanghai - CHINA
- 2011** Luminous Interlude - Fehily Contemporary Melbourne - VIC - AUS
- 2010** Remoteness - Frankston Arts Centre - VIC - AUS
- 2009** Insomnia I + II - Cube 37 Gallery - Frankston - VIC - AUS
- 2008** Portraits of Australian Artists - John Curtin Access Gallery - Curtin University - Perth - WA - AUS
- 2007** Portraits - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Richmond - VIC - AUS
- 2006** Portraits - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Richmond - VIC - AUS
- 2005** Agender - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Richmond - VIC - AUS
- 2003** Body of Work - John Buckley Fine Art Gallery - Prahran - VIC - AUS

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026** LA Art - LA Convention Centre - Fabrik Projects - Los Angeles - CALIFORNIA USA
- 2025** CONTEXT art miami - One Herald Plaza - Miami - FLORIDA USA
- 2025** The Salon - Summer Exhibition - Scott Livesey Galleries - Prahran - VIC AUS
- 2025** City of Monash – MAPH – Public Sculpture - Wheelers Hill – VIC AUS
- 2025** SAP25 Sorrento Art Prize - & Gallery - Sorrento - Mornington Peninsula - VIC AUS
- 2025** IbizaArt Guide Annual Collective Exhibition - Centro Cultural de Jesús - IBIZA SPAIN
- 2025** MONUMENT Sculpture - Westfield Bondi Junction - Sydney - NSW AUS
- 2025** CAN Art Fair - Contemporary Art Now - Ibizart Guide - IBIZA SPAIN
- 2025** The 23rd Julia Margaret Cameron Award for Women Photographers - Fotonostrum - Barcelona SPAIN
- 2025** 8th Biennial Fine Art & Photography - FotoNostrum - Barcelona SPAIN
- 2022-2025** Mornington Peninsula - Frankston City Council – Public Sculpture – VIC AUS
- 2024** Venice Biennale - Personal Structures - Beyond Boundaries - ARTPark Sculpture Walks - Marinaressa Gardens – VENICE ITALY
- 2024** ARTPark Australia - Shellcove Sculpture Walk– Sydney – NSW AUS
- 2024** IbizaArt Guide Annual Collective Exhibition - Centro Cultural de Jesús - IBIZA SPAIN
- 2024** ARTPark Australia - Sculpture Walk Woolloomooloo Wharf – Sydney – NSW AUS
- 2023** The World of Photography Exhibition - Fotonostrum – Barcelona SPAIN
- 2023** Summer Exhibition - Scott Livesey Galleries – Prahran - VIC AUS
- 2023** Meridian Sculpture 50<sup>th</sup> Exhibition – Fitzroy – VIC AUS
- 2023** The Blue Period - One Star Gallery - West Melbourne - VIC AUS
- 2023** Fisher’s Ghost Art Award - Campbelltown Arts Centre - Campbelltown - NSW AUS
- 2023** Das Kapital - Cecil Place Precinct - Prahran - VIC AUS
- 2023** Artists for Kids Culture Art Auction - St Kilda - VIC AUS
- 2023** Bowness Photography Prize - MAPH - VIC AUS
- 2023** SWELL Sculpture Festival 2023 - Currumbin - QLD AUS
- 2023** Exposició col • lectiva ARTISTES d’IbizArtGuide Edició 14 - Centro Cultural de Jesús - IBIZA SPAIN
- 2023** Arts in the Valley - Kangaroo Valley – NSW AUS
- 2023** Olive Cotton Award - Tweed Regional Gallery - NSW AUS
- 2023** Fotonostrum - SONIA PAYES sideshow X Pirelli Calendar Retrospective Exhibition – Barcelona SPAIN
- 2023** The 19th Julia Margaret Cameron Award - Fotonostrum - Barcelona SPAIN
- 2022** 3rd BARCELONA FOTO BIENNALE & 7th Biennial of Fine Art & Documentary Photography – Barcelona SPAIN
- 2022** Fotonostrum – ALCHEMY sideshow X HELMUT NEWTON ‘PRIVATE PROPERTY’ – Barcelona SPAIN
- 2022** Montalto Sculpture Finalist Exhibition - Mornington Peninsula – VIC AUS
- 2022** Perth Centre for Photography - Collective 2022: 30th Anniversary Edition – PERTH – WA AUS
- 2022** BIG Sculpture St Kilda - Veg Out – St Kilda – VIC AUS
- 2022** Sculpture By The Sea – Bondi – NSW AUS
- 2022** Sculpture By The Sea - Sculpture Inside Bondi – NSW AUS
- 2022** Bowness Photography Prize Finalists Exhibition – Monash Gallery of Art – MGA - VIC AUS
- 2022** Winmark Winery Sculpture Walk - Hunter Valley – NSW AUS
- 2022** Sculptures In The Garden – Mudgee Regional – NSW AUS
- 2022** Sculpture In The Vineyards - Wollombi Valley Sculpture Festival - Regional NSW AUS
- 2022** Mandorla Finalist Exhibition - Holmes à Court Gallery - West Perth - WA AUS

**2022** Tom Bass Finalist Exhibition - Figurative Sculpture - SYD AUS  
**2022** Sculpture By The Sea - Cottesloe - WA AUS  
**2022** Sculpture By The Sea - Sculpture Inside Cottesloe -WA AUS  
**2021** Deakin University Art Gallery - Contemporary Small Sculpture- Burwood - VIC AUS  
**2021** Victoria Sculpture Exhibition - Gippsland - VIC AUS  
**2021** STAGES: life in lockdown - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - Wheelers Hill - VIC AUS  
**2021** Sculpture By The Sea - Cottesloe - WA AUS  
**2021** notfair project space - Southside House - Windsor - VIC AUS  
**2021** I AM HERE - Arthouse Gallery - Rushcutters Bay - NSW AUS  
**2021** Mandorla Finalist Exhibition - Stala Contemporary - Perth - WA AUS  
**2020** Southeast Museum of Photography - From All Points Of The Southern Sky - Florida USA  
**2020** Sculpture In The Gardens - Mudgee - NSW AUS  
**2020** Wyndham Art Prize - Wyndham Art Gallery - Wyndham - VIC AUS  
**2020** Montalto Sculpture Prize - Red Hill - Mornington Peninsula - VIC AUS  
**2019** Big Sculpture - Veg Out - St Kilda Community Garden - VIC AUS  
**2019** Now Contemporary - Shoalhaven Regional Gallery - Nowra - NSW AUS  
**2019** Bowness Photography Prize - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - VIC AUS  
**2019** Sydney Contemporary - Scott Livesey Galleries - Carriageworks - NSW AUS  
**2019** CLIP Award - Perth Centre for Photography - WA AUS  
**2019** IFGS - Sculpture Courtyard - Melbourne Exhibition Buildings - VIC AUS  
**2019** Sculpture by the Sea Cottesloe - 15<sup>th</sup> annual exhibition - Cottesloe WA AUS  
**2019** Sculpture by the Sea - Sculpture Inside - Cottesloe WA AUS  
**2019** Sculpture in the Valley - Kangaroo Valley - NSW AUS  
**2018** Scott Livesey Galleries Christmas Exhibition - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2018** Sculpture in the Gardens - Mudgee - NSW AUS  
**2018** This Wild Song: Photographic Portraits of Female Artists - Town Hall Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2018** Mandorla Exhibition - Turner Galleries - Perth - WA AUS  
**2018** New Norcia Museum and Art Gallery - WA AUS  
**2018** Hillview Sculpture Biennial - Southern Highlands - NSW AUS  
**2018** Lorne Sculpture Biennale - Lorne - VIC AUS  
**2018** Wyndham Art Gallery Art Prize - Wyndham - VIC AUS  
**2018** Winton Wetlands Environmental Project Art Walk - Benalla - VIC AUS  
**2018** Heads and Bodies - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2018** White Night Melbourne - Queen Vic Gardens - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2017** A Gathering - La Trobe Art Institute - Bendigo - VIC AUS  
**2017** CCP Salon - Centre for Contemporary Photography - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2017** Sculpture by the Sea - Bondi - Sydney - NSW AUS  
**2017** Sculpture by the Sea - Sculpture Inside - Bondi - Sydney - NSW AUS  
**2017** SWELL Sculpture Festival - Currumbin - QLD AUS  
**2017** SWELL Sculpture Festival - Smalls Gallery Dust Temple - QLD AUS  
**2017** Montalto Sculpture Exhibition - Montalto - Red Hill - VIC AUS  
**2016+** City of Melville - Robert Street Park Cnr Leach Hwy Winthrop Western Australia AUS  
**2016** William & Winifred Bowness Photography - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - VIC AUS

**2016** Sculpture by the Sea - Cottesloe - WA AUS  
**2016** Now 16 - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2016** Art16 London - Fehily Contemporary - Olympia Grand - London UK  
**2015** Sunshine Coast Art Exhibition - Maroochydore Bushland Botanic Gardens - QLD AUS  
**2015** Maroochy Music and Visual Arts Festival - BOMA Shipping Container Gallery - QLD AUS  
**2015** Highlights from the MGA Collection - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - Melbourne VIC AUS  
**2015** Arcadia - Glen Eira City Council Gallery - VIC AUS  
**2015** Photo Independent - Raleigh Studios - Hollywood - Los Angeles USA  
**2015** Fabrik Expo - The Intersection of Art Design & Architecture - Los Angeles USA  
**2014** McClelland Sculpture Survey - McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery - VIC AUS  
**2014** Electron Salon - Los Angeles Centre for Digital Art - Los Angeles - California USA  
**2014** Badland - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2014** Wildcards: Bill Henson Shuffles the Deck - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - Melbourne VIC AUS  
**2014** Liminal Narratives - Bayside Arts & Cultural Centre - Brighton - VIC AUS  
**2014** DUO Percival Photographic Portrait Prize - Pinnacles Gallery Townsville - QLD AUS  
**2014** 23rd Annual International Los Angeles Photographic Art Exposition - QCP Photo - Los Angeles - California USA  
**2013** Compact - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2013** Censored - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2013** Summer Salon Centre for Contemporary Photography - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2013** Auckland Art Fair - The Video Zone - The Cloud on Queens Wharf - Auckland NZ  
**2013** Arts Can Do - Charity Exhibition - ACAF - Hong Kong CHINA  
**2013** Clip Award - New Perspectives in Landscape Photography - Perth Centre of Photography - WA AUS  
**2013** Momentum - McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park - VIC AUS  
**2012** New Norcia Museum and Art Gallery - WA AUS  
**2012** Final Countdown - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2012** Shanghai Contemporary - Asia Pacific Contemporary Art Fair - ACAF - Shanghai CHINA  
**2012** Beyond Like-ness - Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery - University of Western Australia - Perth - WA AUS  
**2012** A Private View: Art of Collecting - Glen Eira City Council Gallery - VIC AUS  
**2012** Chromogenic - The Age Media House Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2011** William & Winifred Bowness Finalists Exhibition - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - VIC AUS  
**2011** A Private View: Art of Collecting - Glen Eira City Council Gallery - VIC AUS  
**2011** Fehily Contemporary Artists - Inaugural Exhibition - Fehily Contemporary - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2010** Outside In - McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park - VIC AUS  
**2010** Melbourne Art Fair - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Royal Exhibition Building - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2010** Mandorla Finalists Exhibition - Moores Building Contemporary Gallery - WA AUS  
**2010** Get smART - John Curtin Gallery - Curtin University of Technology - Perth - WA AUS  
**2009** Earth Sea and Sky - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2009** Human Landscape: The Cult of Personality - Cube 37 - Frankston Art Centre - VIC AUS  
**2009** The Olive Cotton Award for Photographic Portraiture - Tweed Regional Gallery - Murwillumbah - NSW AUS  
**2009** Gallery Artists' Exhibition - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2009** In a Different Light: Artists Portrayed - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - VIC AUS  
**2008** Rubik - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2008** The Olive Cotton Award for Photographic Portraiture - Tweed Regional Gallery - Murwillumbah - NSW AUS

**2007** The Farside of the Moon - McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park - Langwarrin - VIC AUS  
**2007** Snap Freeze Still Life Now - Tarrawarra Museum of Art - VIC AUS  
**2007** Portraits - Castlemaine Art Gallery and Historical Museum - VIC AUS  
**2007** Art for Science: Murdoch Childrens Research Institute Charity Exhibition - Nellie Castan Gallery - VIC AUS  
**2007** Bodies & Minds - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Richmond - VIC AUS  
**2006** Inaugural Bowness Photography Exhibition - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - Melbourne VIC AUS  
**2006** Exhibition of Gallery Artists - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2006** Kodak Autumn Salon Centre for Contemporary Photography - Melbourne - VIC AUS  
**2005** Works on Paper - Charles Nodrum Gallery - Richmond - VIC AUS  
**2005** Kodak Autumn Salon Centre for Contemporary Photography - Melbourne - VIC AUS

## ART PRIZES, AWARDS & GRANTS

**2025** 25h Julia Margaret Cameron Awards - Fotonostrum - Barcelona - CAT SPAIN *category winner*  
**2024** Urbanautica Institute - Past Tense Future Perfect - Nature Environment & Perspectives *portfolio special mention*  
 From Ice to Light - Nature Environment & Perspectives *portfolio special mention* Dreams of a Forgotten Future - Nature Environment & Perspectives *portfolio special mention*  
**2024** AI Visions Award - Fotonostrum - Barcelona - CAT SPAIN *honourable mention*  
**2023** Dodho Magazine - Best Photographers of The Year 2023 - Barcelona CAT SPAIN *finalist*  
**2023** 19th Julia Margaret Cameron Awards - Fotonostrum - Barcelona CAT SPAIN *winner*  
**2022** Bowness Photography Prize - Museum of Australian Photography - MAPH VIC AUS *honourable mention*  
**2022** 18th Pollux Awards - Barcelona - CAT SPAIN *honourable mention*  
**2022** 17th Pollux Awards - Barcelona - CAT SPAIN *honourable mention*  
**2021** 15th Julia Margaret Cameron Awards - Fotonostrum Barcelona - CAT SPAIN *honourable mention*  
**2020** Wyndham Art Prize Wyndham - VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2020** Montalto Sculpture Prize - Montalto Vineyard - Red Hill - Mornington Peninsula VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2019** Now Contemporary Art Prize - Shoalhaven Regional Gallery - Nowra - NSW AUS *winner*  
**2019** Melbourne Flower and Garden Show - Outdoor Sculpture - Melbourne - VIC AUS *winner courtyard section*  
**2019** Sculpture by the Sea - Cottesloe 15<sup>th</sup> annual exhibition - Perth - WA AUS *finalist*  
**2019** Bowness Photography Prize - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2019** Lethbridge Small Scale Art Award - Lethbridge Gallery - NSW AUS *finalist*  
**2019** CLIP Award - Perth Centre for Photography - Perth - WA AUS *finalist*  
**2018** Mandorla Art Prize - Perth - WA AUS 2010 2012 2014 *finalist*  
**2018** Lorne Sculpture Biennale - VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2018** Wyndham Art Prize - VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2017** AUS Council for the Arts Grant for Sculpture by the Sea NSW AUS  
**2017** Montalto Sculpture Prize - Montalto Sculpture Park - VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2016** William and Winifred Bowness Photography Prize - Monash Gallery of Art - MGA - VIC AUS *finalist*  
**2016** Sculpture by the Sea - Cottesloe - WA AUS *finalist*  
**2015** Sunshine Coast Art Prize - New Media Award - QLD AUS *finalist*  
**2014** McClelland Sculpture Survey & Award MAP14 - McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery Langwarrin - VIC AUS *winner*  
**2014** DUO Percival Photographic Portrait Prize - QLD AUS *finalist*  
**2013** Clip Award - Perth Centre of Photography - WA AUS *winner*  
**2009** Human Landscape: The Cult of Personality - Frankston Art Centre - AUS *winner*

**2009 & 2008** The Olive Cotton Award for Portraiture - Tweed Regional Gallery - QLD AUS *finalist*

**2006** Inaugural William & Winifred Bowness Photography Prize – Monash Gallery of Art – MGA - VIC AUS *finalist*

## MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

**2007** SONIA PAYES: UNTITLED. PORTRAITS OF AUSTRALIAN ARTISTS - Macmillan Art Publishing

**2016** TRANSFORMATIONS: THE ART OF SONIA PAYES Ashley Crawford - Thames & Hudson Publication

**2010** Professor Anne Marsh Look: Contemporary Australian Photography since 1980 - Macmillan Art Publishing

**2013** Design is Difference: agIdeas Australia Sonia Payes pp.286-291 agIdeas Press

**2023** Dodho Publication – Best Photographers of The Year 2023

**2023** The World of Photography – An Introduction to the Expansive Realm of Photography - Fotonostrum Publication



## PRESS REVIEWS AND ARTICLES

**2026** Rick Meghiddo – Into LA Art Show documentary highlighting artwork from the 2026 international event

**2025** m-artlens – After the Trophy Image: William & Winifred Bowness Photography Prize

<https://m-artlens.com/bowness-photography-prize-2025-review/>

**2025** Luxury Travel - May - Inside Mona Farm: Luxury In The Southern Tablelands

**2025** The Design Files - Article by Amelia Barnes

**2025** Ibizartguide Magazine – Edición 16 2025 – Español / English

**2025** Vogue Online Magazine - June - Mona Farm Braidwood NSW / Travel

**2024** Photography Now - Renaissance: A Journey of Transformation - PHOTO 2024

**2024** Ibizartguide Magazine – Edición 15 2024 – Español / English

**2024** The Australian – Interior designer Swee Lim's secret to renovating...

**2024** Venice Art Biennial – Personal Structures - Beyond Boundaries – European Cultural Centre ECC

**2023** Ibizartguide Magazine – Edición 14 2023 – Español / English

**2023** ARTS hub – Twenty-year strong sculpture festival - Celina Lei

<https://www.artshub.com.au/news/sponsored-content/twenty-year-strong-sculpture-festival-builds-connections-for-intergenerational-audiences-2655028/>

**2023** Diario De Ibiza - La Nueva Exposición De IbizArt Guide

<https://www.diariodeibiza.es/sociedad/2023/08/30/centenar-artistas-nueva-exposicion-ibizart-91481216.html>

**2023** The Hunter Valley Vineyard That's An Art Gallery - The Australian

**2023** The Guardian - Lens flair: The 2023 Bowness Photography Prize

<https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/gallery/2023/sep/29/lens-flair-the-2023-bowness-photography-prize-in-pictures>

**2023** Top100 Artists Online - Art Watch News - Featured Artist - Alchemy - Scott Livesey Galleries

<https://shoutout.wix.com/so/abOQWzk1z?languageTag=en&cid=91f753a3-ae84-42e0-b87b-52d525fc62c9>

**2023** The 19th Julia Margaret Cameron - Worldwide Photography – Fotonostrum Mediterranean House of Photography

**2023** Dodho Magazine - A Space Odyssey Style Evolution

<https://www.dodho.com/a-space-odyssey-style-evolution-by-sonia-payes/>

**2023** Voiz Magaine – Featured Artist - <https://voizmagazine.com/artists/>  
**2022** FotoNostrum Magazine - Issue 28 Pages 108 - 113  
**2022** EGM Barcelona - "Helmut Newton. Private Property" Photos by Olga Plants  
<https://egm.es/exposicion-helmut-newton-impresion-grafica/>  
**2022** The 3<sup>rd</sup> Barcelona Foto Biennale – Fotonostrum Mediterranean House of Photography p176  
**2022** Sculpture By The Sea Awards Announced - Waverley Council Grounds Staff Pick  
<https://sculpturebythesea.com/2022-awards-announced-sculpture-sea-bondi/>  
**2022** The Weekend Australia - Review - SPOTLIGHT Interview by Jack Kelly  
**2022** Artist Profile - Alchemy by Professor Ted Snell AM CitWA  
**2022** Craig McKeough - Seesaw Magazine - Facing the past to face the future  
**2022** Artist Chronicle Issue 201 - There-Is - Alchemy  
**2021** Gippsland Times Arts – State Sculpture Prize – Port of Sale  
**2020** View Finding - Monash Gallery of Art – MGA - 1990 – 2020 Page 141  
**2020** Coeur Et Art On View - From All Points Of The Southern Sky: Photography From AUS & Oceania - Southeast Museum Of Photography Daytona Florida  
**2020** This Is Tomorrow - Contemporary Art Magazine UK  
<http://thisistomorrow.info/articles/from-all-points-of-the-southern-sky-photography-from-australia-and-oceania>  
**2020** Ashley Lumb Artist Spotlight - Southeast Museum Of Photography - Daytona Florida  
<https://www.ashleylumb.com/work/from-all-points-of-the-southern-sky>  
**2020** Daytona photo museum features Australia and Students - Hometown News - Volusia Florida  
**2020** The Artist Story <https://theartiststory.com.au/sonia-payes>  
**2020** Brent Matthews <https://de.yourtripagent.com/6186-10-best-australian-photographers-you-should-know>  
**2019** Harry Roberts - Belle Travel  
**2019** Ashley Crawford -Sonia Payes - Artist Profile - <https://www.artistprofile.com.au/sonia-payes/>  
**2019** Daniel Pateman - Sonia Payes - Artist Profile - <https://www.artistprofile.com.au/sonia-payes-2/>  
**2019** Artist Sonia Payes Explores The Dichotomies Of Life & The Environment - Q+A - Art Edit Magazine  
**2019** Catherine Lambert Boy's - Many faces tell one story - The Herald Sun  
**2018** Alison Waters - This Wild Song: An exhibition celebrating Australian women artists - The Rationalist Vol 111  
**2017** Ashley Crawford - Sonia Payes Artist Profile - Issue 41 pp.101-105  
**2017** S. Connellan - Take a peek at Australia's open-air exhibition Sculpture by the Sea - Mashable  
<https://mashable.com/2017/10/19/australia-sydney-sculpture-by-the-sea/>  
**2017** E. Fortescue - James Dive and Sculpture by the Sea catch us hook line & sinker - Arts Editor The Daily Telegraph  
**2017** D. Sim - Sculpture by the Sea 2017 - International Business Times  
**2017** S. Kahn - Sculpture by the Sea exhibition opens in Australia - Getty Images  
<https://www.usatoday.com/picture-gallery/news/world/2017/10/18/sculpture-by-the-sea-exhibition-opens-in-au/106771052/>  
**2017** Australians In PNG exhibition – The National - <https://www.thenational.com.pg/australians-png-exhibition/>  
**2017** Sculpture by the Sea Bondi - NSW Business Insider Australia  
**2016** Annemarie Kiely - Profile: Face Value - Vogue Living Magazine  
**2016** Vogue Living: Sonia Payes  
<https://www.vogue.com.au/vogue-living/arts/the-melbournebased-artist-challenging-herself-in-all-mediums-from-photography-to-3d-printing/news-story/6ffa1143691588b702a10c6c9c47503f>  
**2016** Robert Lindsay - Rapture: The Art Of Sonia Payes - Map 14 - Parallel Futures - McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery  
[https://5396dc36-b98c-499f-8567-588beb054f23.usrfiles.com/ugd/5396dc\\_093868fa8c5d4411b94b3513b7a354e6.pdf](https://5396dc36-b98c-499f-8567-588beb054f23.usrfiles.com/ugd/5396dc_093868fa8c5d4411b94b3513b7a354e6.pdf)  
**2016** Sonia Payes: Parallel Futures - Art Review - <http://artsreview.com.au/sonia-payes-parallel-futures/>  
**2016** Documentor - Sonia Payes: Parallel Futures

**2016** Sasha Grishin - Regenerating the future - The Article  
**2016** David Handley AM - Sculpture By The Sea - The First Twenty Years 1997 – 2016 Pennypig Publishing  
**2015** C.A.Xuan Mai Ardia - The Ten Best Australian Photographers You Should Know - The Culture Trip  
<https://theculturetrip.com/pacific/au/articles/the-10-best-australian-photographers-you-should-know/>  
**2015** Sasha Grishin - Sculpture in the bush: Surveying 'The McClelland' - Art Monthly issue 277  
**2015** Sasha Grishin - McClelland Sculpture Survey sets work against the natural environment - Sydney Morning Herald  
<https://www.smh.com.au/entertainment/art-and-design/mcclelland-sculpture-survey-sets-works-against-the-natural-environment-20150102-11wbho.html>  
**2015** John McDonald - McClelland Sculpture Survey & Awards - Sydney Morning Herald  
<https://www.johnmcdonald.net.au/2015/mcclelland-sculpture-survey-awards-2014/>  
**2015** Danny Gocs - Face of the future in prize - Winning sculpture AJN  
**2015** Artist wins McClelland Award for Sculpture - Frankston Standard Leader  
**2015** Belinda Kochanowska - Imaginarium - QLD Centre for Photography Australia  
**2015** Emerging Curators Program - Online exhibition December 2014 – February 2015. pp 26-29  
**2014** The Percival's Publication - [https://issuu.com/townsville\\_city\\_council/docs/2014\\_the\\_percivals\\_publication](https://issuu.com/townsville_city_council/docs/2014_the_percivals_publication)  
**2014** Liminal\_Narratives: Midwinter Masters by Owen Craven  
[https://www.art-almanac.com.au/liminal\\_narratives-midwinter-masters/](https://www.art-almanac.com.au/liminal_narratives-midwinter-masters/)  
**2014** Calum Wilson - Australian Sculpture at home in the bush: Matthew Harding wins McClelland Award - The Australian  
**2014** Kylie Northover - McClelland Award for Sculpture - Sydney Morning Herald  
**2014** Sonia Payes - Icescape & Interzone - Katelyn-Jane Dunn - (ed) Common Ground Issue 2 pp 45-51  
**2014** Sculpture in the bush: a strong year for the McClelland Prize - The Conversation  
<http://theconversation.com/sculpture-in-the-bush-a-strong-year-for-the-mclelland-prize-34811>  
**2013** Ashley Crawford - Sonia Payes Inspired By Environmental Destruction - Australian Financial Review  
<https://www.afr.com/life-and-luxury/arts-and-culture/sonia-payes-inspired-by-environmental-destruction-20130530-jordm>  
**2013** Robert Nelson - When art goes geometric appreciation comes on a higher plane - The Age  
**2013** Dan Rule - Interzone - The Age Australia  
**2013** Ashley Crawford - Catalogue Essay - Abstract Reality - Shanghai Contemporary Art Fair – ACAF  
**2013** Ashley Crawford - Interzone exhibition catalogue - Fehily Contemporary Gallery  
**2012** Stephen Bevis - An Invitation to Contemplation - The West Australian  
**2012** Professor Lin Lu Catalogue Essay - Surrealistic World Full of Classical Charm - Fantastic Dreamland Shanghai CHINA  
**2012** Catalogue Essay - Sun Yongkang - Dancers In A Dreamy Fantasyland Of Images, Fantastic Dreamland - Shanghai CHINA  
**2012** AnQi - Video Dancers Who Make Dreamlike Images - Tide Magazine - Beijing CHINA  
**2011** Ashley Crawford - Sonia Payes: ArtWALLO9 Issue 3 - Shanghai CHINA  
**2011** Professor Anne Marsh Catalogue Essay - Sonia Payes: Luminous Interlude - Fehily Contemporary  
**2010** Stephen Bevis - Visual Arts - The West Australian  
**2009** Melissa Amore Debut - Sonia Payes Photofile 86 - Australia  
**2008** Katrina Strickland Perspective - The valuable artful book - W.A. Financial Review Australia  
**2007** Sasha Grishin - Creative callings: Artists in their own space - The Canberra Times Australia  
**2007** Lesley Chow - UNTITLED: Portraits of Australian Artists - Artist Profile Australia  
**2007** Zoe Turner - UNTITLED: Portraits of Australian Artists by Sonia Payes - Art Review Australia  
**2007** Lexi Landsman - Behind the Lens - AJN  
**2007** Ashley Crawford Art - A2 Magazine: The Age Australia  
**2007** 101 Quarterly Australia - UNTITLED: Portraits of Australian Artists by Sonia Payes  
**2007** Jenny Brown - The Dark Side of the Spectrum - The Age  
**2007** Clare Morgan - The Inner Sanctum - West Weekend Magazine: The West Australian

**2007** Clare Morgan - Face to Face with Artists in their Domain - Sydney Morning Herald  
**2007** Simon Plant - Makers Unmasked Visual Art: The Herald Sun - Australia  
**2006** Professor Ted Snell - Catalogue Essay - Sonia Payes: Portraits Charles Nodrum Gallery  
**2006** David Hansen - Sight Lines Critical Guide - The Age Australia  
**2005** Inga Walton - Body language - The Independent Arts Review Issue 21  
**2005** Cath Pope - Gender Odyssey MCV Issue 215 - Australia

## **RESIDENCY**

**2012** Australia China Art Foundation ACAF  
Two Month Art Residency - Studio of Shen Shaomin - Qiao Zi Art Commune - Beijing - CHINA

## **COLLECTIONS**

National Gallery of Australia - ACT AUS  
National Gallery of Victoria - VIC AUS  
Museum of Australian Photography - MAPH Wheelers Hill - VIC AUS  
Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory - NT AUS  
New Norcia Museum and Art Gallery - WA AUS  
La Trobe University Art Museum - VIC AUS  
McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery Langwarrin - VIC AUS  
Southeast Museum Of Photography Daytona - Florida USA  
Gippsland Art Gallery - VIC AUS  
Curtin University Perth - WA AUS  
Australia China Art Foundation - VIC AUS  
Federation University Australia - VIC AUS  
Castlemaine Art Gallery and Historical Museum - VIC AUS  
National Library of Australia - NLA - Canberra - AUS  
State Library Victoria - SLV - Melbourne - AUS  
State Library of NSW - SLNSW - Sydney - AUS  
Mona Farm Braidwood - NSW AUS  
National Australia Bank - VIC AUS  
JMA - VIC AUS  
Australian Labour Party - VIC AUS  
Ocean Drive Hotel Group Collection - Ibiza SPAIN

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