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### **Arlo Mountford's *Deep Revolt* on at Goulburn Regional Art Gallery**

*Deep Revolt*, a mid-career survey of work by Arlo Mountford is now open at Goulburn Regional Art Gallery and brings large scale interactive installations paired with sound, video and animation to the region for the first time.

The exhibition, curated by Director Gina Mobayed, challenges ideas of time, history and the canon through a 14 year span of the artist's work. Mountford was one of the first artists Mobayed contacted upon her arrival in Goulburn one year ago, with the idea for the exhibition coming from an early meeting with the Friends of the Gallery, where their appreciation of 'the masters' was heartily discussed. Mountford, animating works and museums from Bruegel, Malevich, the Guggenheim and beyond offered a great opportunity to bring a new practice and set of ideas to the region.

Mountford's works are amusing, strange and laden with references, while his films engage the darker side of our political and social histories through the construct of the art institution and the seminal works held within. They offer an opportunity to revisit works and places that are familiar and yet recontextualised, all through his unique process of hand drawing using a mouse and computer or tablet. To complement the exhibition the Gallery has produced a catalogue with a newly commissioned essay by writer, artist and academic Dr Oliver Watts.

Gina Mobayed says, 'This is the first exhibition curated by Goulburn Regional Art Gallery to be toured in partnership with Museums & Galleries of NSW and our first touring initiative in over five years. We are dually committed to supporting artists and our audiences and I am proud to have been able to work with someone of Arlo's talent to curate an exhibition that is relevant and exciting for the Australian public.'

Arlo Mountford completed a major commission for the National Gallery of Victoria in 2013 and at the Australian War Memorial in 2012. Many of the works shown at the Goulburn Regional Art Gallery are being exhibited in New South Wales for the first time.

*Deep Revolt* is showing at the Gallery until Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, after which it will embark on a national tour from 2019 with Museums & Galleries of NSW, visiting six venues across five states.

The exhibition was officially opened on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May, by Ryan Johnston, Director of Buxton Contemporary and will close on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June. An 'In Conversation' between the artist and Dr Oliver Watts will be held on Friday, 1 June at 1pm. The event is free and open to all.

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