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GOULBURN REGIONAL ART GALLERY TO OPEN THROUGH LINE AND POPPY PERRY: THE LANDSCAPE DEVOURS, THE LANDSCAPE RESTORES, FRIDAY 31 JULY FROM 6PM

Break out your best Merino wool knit and bring the Goulburn energy: Goulburn Regional Art Gallery will open two special exhibitions, *Through line* and Goulburn-based artist Poppy Perry's *The Landscape Devours, The Landscape Restores*, on Friday 31 July 2026 at 6pm. There's something for everyone across these diverse and exciting shows, so brave the winter weather and celebrate with us.

The exhibitions will be opened by **guest speaker Jennifer Lamb OAM, the Gallery's inaugural Director**. The evening will also feature musical stylings from the **Mike Baker Trio**.

Through line brings together key works from Goulburn Regional Art Gallery's collection acquired over the past ten years. This decade has seen purposeful and ambitious collecting that has significantly shaped the permanent collection. Spanning painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, audio-visual and installation, these acquisitions reflect a genuine breadth of artistic practice.

Across the exhibition connections, lineages and relationships can be traced. Artistic practices distinct in method, material, context and intent reveal themselves to share something deeper: a feeling, a way of seeing, an understanding of our place in the world. The natural world recurs as motif and metaphor, explored both explicitly and subtly as a vehicle for investigating memory, belonging and ecological concern.

In Gallery 2, Goulburn-based artist Poppy Perry presents a brand new exhibition *The Landscape Devours, The Landscape Restores*. Pairing works on canvas alongside animated video, the exhibition delves into the dual nature of the Australian environment, exploring its power to both devastate and regenerate. Perry invites audiences to consider how the landscape marks us, reshapes us, and ultimately restores us within its enduring cycles.

"*Through line* is an invitation to look and to linger. Moving through the exhibition you will see new additions to the collection which have never been exhibited, ambitious installations and find connections the Gallery has been quietly forging, work by work, across a decade. These are connections made with equal measures of purpose and serendipity, and a collection tended with genuine care. This exhibition reflects our ongoing commitment to building and caring for a collection for the community, bringing together artists from our region with internationally regarded names. Launching this new series of exhibitions also reflects our commitment to supporting and providing opportunities for the next generation of artists and sustaining a flourishing arts ecology." - *Yvette Dal Pozzo, Director*

Through line and *The Landscape Devours, The Landscape Restores* are on display at the Gallery from Friday 31 July 2026 until Saturday 12 September 2026.

This opening event is free of charge and open to all. To secure your ticket, follow the link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/opening-through-line-poppy-perry-tickets-1994123185127?aff=oddtcreator&keep_tld=true

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