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Studio A presents their art to the world on Google Arts & Culture

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Emily Crockford, *Garden Pop Bird Bop*, 2019, acrylic on canvas.

Starting today, over 650 artworks by Studio A artists can be viewed online alongside work by Monet, van Gogh, Rembrandt and more on [Google Arts & Culture](https://artsandculture.google.com).

Thanks to a new partnership between Google Arts & Culture and Studio A, international audiences will now have the opportunity to enjoy the work of acclaimed neurodiverse artists Emily Crockford, Thom Roberts, Victoria Atkinson and 15 more Studio A artists in just a few clicks at artsandculture.google.com.

In line with the 2022 theme of International Day of People with Disability, the Google Arts & Culture platform empowers Studio A artists to share their work in high definition with an international audience, breaking down physical barriers, giving global visibility to their artists and championing accessibility.

Studio A has used the Google Arts & Culture platform to launch its animated [Artist Policies](#) which have been illustrated by Studio A artist Greg Sindel. Greg's distinctive comic-book style has transformed the run-of-the-mill, black and white policy document into a fluid and vibrant animation (in partnership with the University of Technology Sydney) which makes this important policy information more accessible to all. The illustrated policies demonstrate how neurodiverse people can speak for themselves and communicate in unique and engaging ways.

Specially curated virtual exhibits have been developed for online visitors who can discover 5 interactive exhibits. The digital exhibitions give you the opportunity to hear from Studio A artists on their Archibald Prize portraits, take a deep dive into their largest mural to date and discover a captivating collection of work inspired by birdlife.

Some of the most important items of the online exhibition are:

- Greg Sindel's animated [Studio A Artist Policies](#)
- Studio A's [2022 Archibald Prize Portraits](#)

- A vast and diverse [collection of over 650 artworks](#) by professional neurodiverse artists.

Gabrielle Mordy, CEO/Artistic Director of Studio A

“Studio A transforms entrenched community perceptions that limit people with intellectual disability. We do this by professionally platforming their artistic talent. Google Arts & Culture catapults Studio A’s impact to the next level. It not only positions our artists work on an international stage, it firmly positions our artists work in its rightful place alongside leading and esteemed arts institutions such as MOMA and the Tate. Thank you to Google Arts & Culture for using your technology to show the world the contribution neurodiverse artists are making to our cultural landscape.”

Lucinda Longcroft, Director of Government Affairs & Public Policy, Google Australia and New Zealand

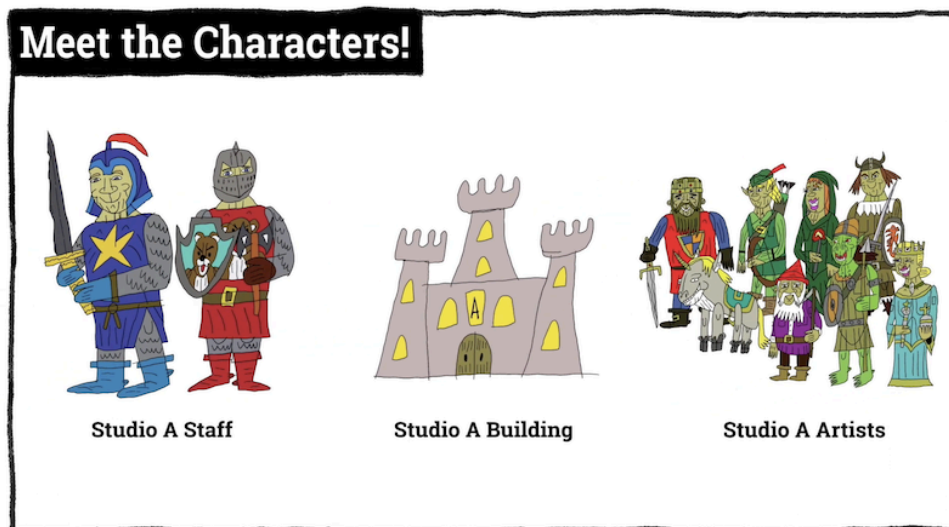
“It has been a privilege to collaborate with Studio A and share the works of their artists with everyone, everywhere on Google Arts & Culture - and it is especially meaningful that the collection is launching in celebration of International Day of People with Disability. I invite you to immerse yourself in these diverse 650+ artworks, and experience the world through the eyes of incredible artists like Emily Crockford, Jaycee Kim, Katrina Brennan and Greg Sindel. We believe artists have a unique faculty to raise awareness for important topics and are honoured to support them in expressing their ideas.”

Hon. Amanda Rishworth, Minister for Social Services

“This project is a wonderful way to celebrate the disability community as we head into International Day of People with Disability. Each artwork is different but each perspective has something for us to learn from – just as the disability community draws strength and community from its diversity. The Australian Government is always looking for ways to promote understanding of neurodiversity in society and to highlight strengths, not just focus on challenges, both through our commitment to develop a National Autism Strategy and under Australia’s Disability Strategy 2021-2031. But achieving cultural change requires all sectors of society, so it’s great to see Google showing industry leadership by collaborating with an Australian social enterprise in Studio A to give these amazing artists a platform to share their work with the world.”

Hon. Bill Shorten MP, Minister for the NDIS and Government Services

“I’d like to congratulate these wonderful Studio A artists, who I’m sure are living their dream by sharing their art with the world. The Studio A social enterprise invests in talent, and there’s no question this partnership with Google Arts & Culture provides an important platform for those visual artists featured today, and those talented artists who will follow in their footsteps. Spend a few minutes enjoying the online collection of work and you will appreciate immediately how diversity leads to amazing things. Australians realise meaningful participation and strong social connections for people with disability provides a tangible benefit to everyone, and it is something to celebrate.”



Still from Greg Sindel's Artist Policies animation.

About Studio A

[Studio A](#) is a Sydney based social enterprise and arts company that makes great art and tackles the barriers artists with intellectual disability face in accessing conventional education, professional development pathways and opportunities needed to be successful and renowned visual artists. As NSW's only supported studio for professional artists with intellectual disability Studio A is driven to ensure neurodiverse artists with intellectual disability have a voice in contemporary Australian culture and to provide employment to their artists through sustainable creative industry careers.

About Google Arts & Culture

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