

WATER IS LIFE

KATHY HOLOWKO

CS Gallery Window Commission

As a child, artist Kathy Holowko lived near the Kororoit Creek. She noticed that after a flood, the trees beside the creek looked a bit like decorated Christmas trees, with shiny plastic, foil, plastic bags and other rubbish caught in the branches. It looked nice for a moment before she realised it was litter.

This 3D artwork is similar to how a Natural History Museum might show a natural environment and includes illustrations of animals made by early explorers, before big changes to the habitat began. These dioramas have the addition of litter that can be found in today's ecology. Kathy's uses litter in her artwork to remind us that healthy waterways are the life-blood that allows all plants and animals (even humans!) to flourish.



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CAN YOU FIND?

Try and find the animals, plants and litter on this checklist in the hexagonal windows at CS Gallery.

- A Blue-tongued lizard
- Three Eastern Banjo Frogs
- How many fish can you count?
- Litter: A cigarette butt, plastic, foil, an old can
- A Sugar-glider
- A mushroom
- A microbat
- A Skink
- An beetle
- A nest
- An Eel

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MAGPIE-LARK

The Magpie-lark has black and white feathers and sometimes get mixed up with a Magpie, but they are much smaller. They are special because they sing together sing in duet and only 200 birds in the world do this.

Each partner sings one note, then the second note overlaps, so it is hard to tell that there are actually two birds singing, not one.

