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'AFTER THE BURN' - NEW PAINTINGS BY  
PATRICIA CALE - opening Saturday November 28th 2009



## Art coming from a fire in the soul...

### November Art News...

Main Street Gallery is pleased to be hosting a new & exciting exhibition - 'After the Burn' - new paintings by Patricia Cale - the second in a series of solo exhibitions in this refreshed contemporary Art Gallery Space, in its beautiful hinterland setting.

Selected by Gallery Director, Art expert and Australian author James Cowan, this is a body of exciting new work by established QLD Artist, Patricia Cale. Her ability to make powerful marks and manipulate different media, in contemporary paintings and mixed media artworks, is clearly demonstrated in this new work.

Here Patricia Cale's creative energy has been focussed on the theme 'After the burn' with parallels drawn from the powerful new energy released from the initially destructive process of fire.

#### Patricia Cale talks about her work

Marks must be beautiful, or the space between them cannot be beautiful.

My work is my communication. I believe all art is about communication - it should touch a common chord and feed the soul.

It's the 'moment' that I seek, that moment where my ego disappears and the piece becomes something else.

I work very hard; the simplest result sometimes takes days, even weeks. At other times the work flows seamlessly, and that's a privilege.

Every experience in my life I count as the colour I bring to my palette. I live my work, and cannot imagine waking up in the morning and not going to the easel. I am blessed.

I like to think that this explains my mark-making. My work is about the life force - in everything. That force which sings the mysteries. My marks need to be as fine as possible because what I want to create is that suspension of life. I don't think about death, I'm too caught up in life.

My new paintings draw upon the cathartic experience and are expressed here as metaphor through the natural regeneration of our Australian landscape - after the burn.

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visit our new website for further details on our artists and gallery exhibition program for 2009-10.

### Main Street Gallery

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Born in the UK, Patricia Cale spent her early years in the Sudan before returning to study in England. She completed a National Diploma of Design (Painting) from 1960-64 which encompassed life drawing, printmaking, sculpture, art history, and painting. Emigrating to Australia in 1965, although continually painting along with family duties, she was only able to commence seriously exhibiting in 1989. She now resides and works in the Hinterland of south-west Queensland.