

Basic Detail Report



730 × 24 mm

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Title

First Light

Date

2014

Primary Maker

Neil Healey

Medium

Acrylic, gouache and ink on board

Dimensions

Display dimensions: 730 × 730 × 30 mm Overall: 730 ×

Name

Painting

History

This work by Neil Healey was produced for East Coast Encounter, a multi-arts initiative involving Australian Indigenous and non-Indigenous artists, writers and songwriters to re-imagine the encounter by Lieutenant James Cook and his crew with Indigenous people in 1770. Cook's voyage along the Australian east coast has become central to national historical narratives. The East Coast Encounter project asked artists to re-envisage this seminal journey by imaginatively exploring moments of contact between two world views during these encounters. It also brought these events into the present by incorporating artists' reflections on their relevance today, and their responses to visits to significant contact locations. Topics such as encounter, impact, differing perspectives, nature and culture and views of country are investigated.