

**CHRISTINE MAYNARD**

**ARTIST STATEMENT**

I am a self-taught Christchurch artist. I have always been creative having owned a wedding decorating business and having a strong interest in interior design

I paint semi-abstract landscapes that are earthy and textural.

They are inspired by our New Zealand landscape, particularly Central Otago, Mackenzie Country and Canterbury.

My works are descriptive of landforms shaped by both natural forces and man. Weathering, erosion and human activity lead to an ever-changing terrain.

There is often a touch of both flora and water in my paintings that allude to the idea of the land sustaining life. These also help to soften the painting and give it movement.

The paintings have layers of colour and texture through which I chisel, scrape, eliminate, add back and interact with the painting to produce the final work.

I am happy to take on commissions through the McAtamney Gallery.

**GALLERIES:**

Little River Gallery, Little River, Canterbury

McAtamney Gallery, Geraldine

**NEXT SOLO EXHIBITION:**

2021 May 1-25: SOLO Little River Gallery

**TIMELINE:**

2021 February: TUTOR Mark-Making Workshop (Queenstown Arts Centre)

2020 November: WINNER of the Arts Canterbury Juried Exhibition (Christchurch)

2020 August 1-26: SOLO Exhibition Little River Galley (Canterbury)

2019 November: FINALIST in the Arts Gold Awards (Central Otago)

2019 August: CO-CURATOR St Bede's Art Show (Christchurch)

2018 February: WINNER of the Morant Foundation New Art Award (Christchurch)

On-going various GROUP exhibitions Christchurch