

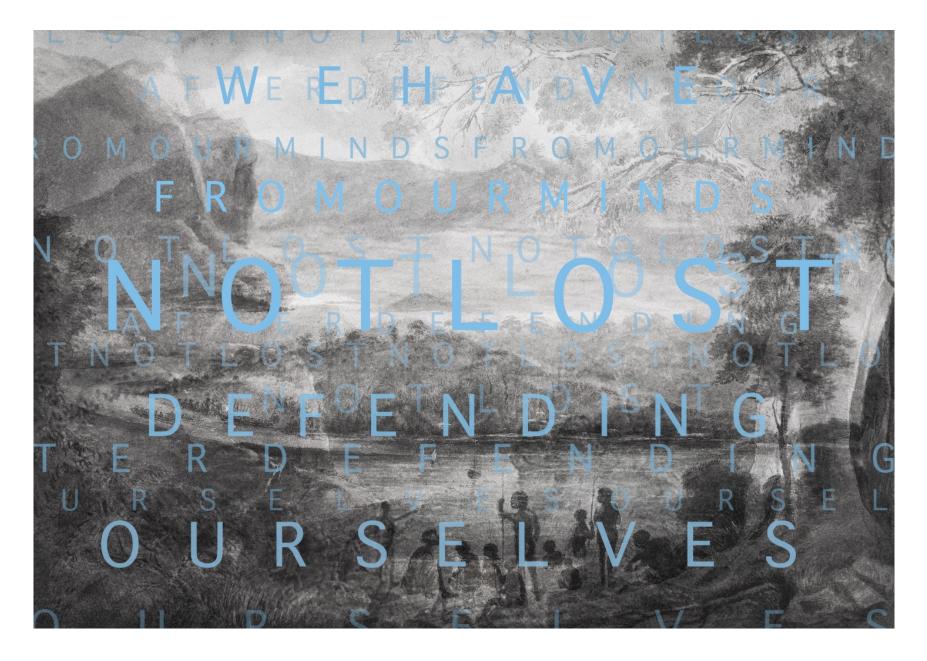
Brigita Ozolins

DISAPPEARING

Bett Gallery Hobart, Tasmania 12 -31 March 2021

Curated by Carol Bett, Pete Hay and Gerard Castles featuring the work of artists and writers in collaboration.

This World, 2021, digital print on Canson Rag Photographic 310; 70 x 100 cm



Not Lost, 2021, digital print on Canson Rag Photographic 310; 70 x 100 cm

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A group of Tasmanian artists and writers were invited to join curators Carol Bett, Gerard Castles and Pete Hay to explore the idea of what it means to be Tasmanian, our island and who we are and might be as islanders at this moment in our unfolding story.

Ozolins collaborated with Greg Lehman on this project. They discussed the concept of disappearing from many different perspectives, but with a focus on the beauty as well as the destruction of the Tasmanian landscape, and the work of Lithuanian photographer Olegas Truchanas, and Latvian photographer Peter Dombrovskis. As Ozolins heritage is Latvian, this offered a poignant link between Tasmania and Eastern Europe. As a Tasmanian Aboriginal (Palawa) person, Lehman sought to commemorate the colonial attempt to remove his ancestors from the island and to acknowledge the resilience and survival of Palawa culture. It was the everchanging nature and beauty of the land that both felt offered a great sense of hope and connection for everyone who lives in Tasmania.

Not Lost, 2021, video still, 4 min 30 sec loop. Production music courtesy Epidemic Sound.

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