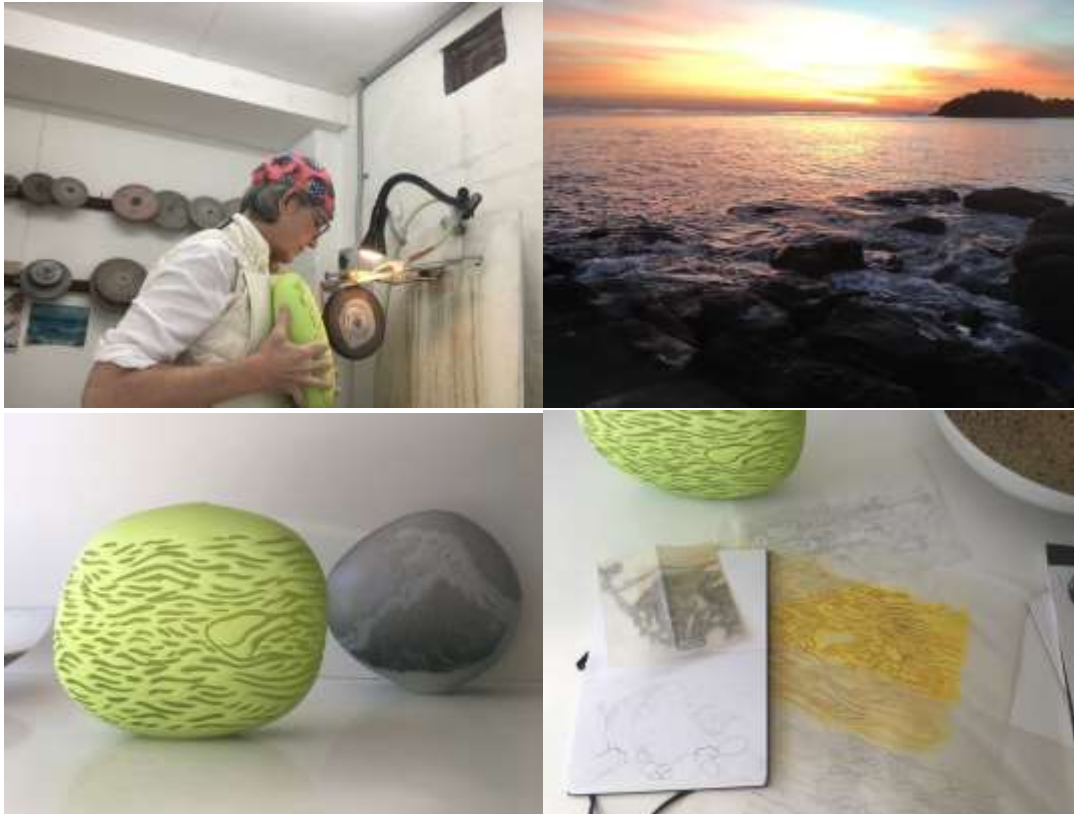


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Artists in lockdown series

At home with Kathy Elliott (and Ben Edols)



Q. What is getting you through lockdown?

A. We are in week 11 now. If I'm honest what's getting us through is having small things to look forward to each day, for me it might be a walk with a friend, for Ben it's a bike ride, for the girls it might be a surf or an online yoga session. Baking desserts has become a 'thing' especially on the weekend. Needless to say we have all put on a little weight :)

Q. What is your daily 'Lockdown' ritual?

A. Taking time each morning over coffee to think about what I want to have accomplished by the end of the day. It doesn't always happen but it helps with motivation.

Q. Where are you finding inspiration at the moment?

A. The environment we live in is very beautiful, it's hard not to be moved by the power and variety of nature. Either walking through the Garigal National Park, Manly Dam area or along the ocean there is so much to draw on for inspiration.

Q. Has the COVID lockdown/pandemic changed your work and the way you worked in any way?

A. For Ben, it has meant he can't blow glass which is a huge impact for us. When the Sydney lockdown started he was in the first week of a three week session. That was in June. WE haven't had any new blanks since then. I have been working on some overlay pieces he made earlier in the year but we are hoping he can start blowing again soon.