

ENTRANCE GALLERY

Potato

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On the last day of the Breadth Intensive, *Art and the Botanical*, students learn how to make a full watercolour painting of a potato – the humble, often overlooked but hugely significant member of the *Solanaceae* family. In the process, students spend five or more hours concentrating their vision and thoughts by actively looking at one subject in one place and in real time. For many, unfamiliar with this fundamental discipline of visual art and with a limited knowledge of an artist's simplest tools, the experience can be very challenging. And yet by the end of that day all have achieved not just a representation of their subject but also their own version of the experience of looking *itself*. They have bypassed theory with their intelligence to produce highly personal, expressive and communicative objects. In short, they have made artworks.