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*Printmaker Gallery is Proud to Present*

## ***THE JOURNEY OF VIOLETS***

Supporting The Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

**Exhibition Dates: June 20th - July 4th 2019**

We have invited 13 contemporary artists working in print media to create an artwork inspired by the poem *'The Journey of Violets'* by Iranian poet Mohammad Reza Shafiei Kadkani.

Participating Artists:

**Judy Horacek, Jim Pavlidis, Elizabeth Barnett, Tony Ameneiro, Hyun Ju Kim,  
Damon Kowarsky, Angela Coombs Matthews, Kevin Foley, Kasia Fabijanska, Chris Ingham,  
Rachel Derum, Rachel Moodie, Sai Wai Foo.**

*In winter's last days, the migration of violets are beautiful.  
On grey midday's of Winter,  
When violets are moved in small wooden boxes  
– their mobile homes –  
With their roots, leaves, grafts and soil,  
Saved from cold shadows and wrapped in Spring's satin scent;  
A thousand laments spring from my chest and flow down my cheeks:  
I wish humans could take their home too  
– roots, leaves, grafts and soil –  
Where ever they move,  
Away from cold winds,  
And into bright sunlight.*

Poem by Mohammad Reza Shafiei Kadkani.

**The exhibition raises awareness and funds from a range of artwork sales and donations made throughout the exhibition.**

- Artwork purchases - 20% of profits from each artwork sale is donated directly to ASRC.
- Opening night drinks are \$5 each and every dollar will be donated to ASRC.
- One-off donations can be made on opening night into a gold coin donation box supplied by ASRC.
- Food and Goods donations can be made throughout the duration of the exhibition. Please drop off items to Printmaker Gallery.

**ABOUT ASRC: The Asylum Seeker Resource Centre (ASRC) is both a place and a movement. We are an independent not-for-profit organisation; whose programs support and empower people seeking asylum. As a movement, we mobilise and unite communities to create lasting social and policy change.**

**<https://www.asrc.org.au/>**