

DADAA | QUIDDITY

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Quiddity, presented by leading arts and health organisation DADAA, is on display at Midland Junction Arts Centre until 16 July. This exhibition showcases the work of artists from DADAA's studios exploring the genre of portraiture.



Simon Marchmont, *Artist work in succession*, 2021, Indian ink on paper.

Quiddity means the inherent nature or essence of something. For this exhibition, each artist has ventured away from typical notions of portraiture, merely depicting their subject's physical likeness. Instead, they have sought to capture the essence of their subject – what lies beyond the physical.

As part of the public program for *Quiddity*, experimental band The Definitives will collaborate with dance group On Track for a one-of-a-kind performance on 15 June. The Definitives will provide a visual score for On Track, utilising drawings by band members and dancers to form a collective portrait.

Both The Definitives and On Track are creative programs supported by DADAA. In addition to these programs, over the past four months, DADAA has worked with artists from their studios in residency at Midland Junction Arts Centre.

DADAA creates access to cultural activities for people with disability or mental illness, offering targeted programs that include a broad range of traditional and new media projects. With studios in Midland, Fremantle, and Lancelin, DADAA works in partnership with local governments and other organisations, including Midland Junction Arts Centre.



The Definitives. Photograph courtesy of DADAA.

Quiddity is part of DADAA's annual *In Focus* program that aims to promote and present the work of artists participating in their programs. *In Focus* has the values of identity and disability at its centre, expressed through the telling of individual perspectives, stories, and experiences.

This exhibition celebrates diversity within the arts and the phenomenal work that DADAA does year-round. See a variety of imaginative and interpretive works by numerous talented artists in *Quiddity*, showing at Midland Junction Arts Centre until 16 July.

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