

Paintings 2008

I came to Cooktown expecting to be inspired by the spectacular geography of the region. Instead, I became fascinated by the habits of the quirky, hardy folk who live in and around Cooktown.

Gone Fishing

This is the cap that fits the boys gone fishing. It also fits the boys driving their 4-wheel drives up and down the dusty unsealed roads of Cooktown.



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Stepping Out

Cooktown has a love affair with thongs, fancy or plain, these are the ideal footwear for the climate.



Boxed In

Isolated by the geography, everyone relies heavily on the post and waits anxiously for it to defy the weather and arrive on time. This is also the signature look of Louisiana, the oldest shop in town, where people shop out of the boxes.



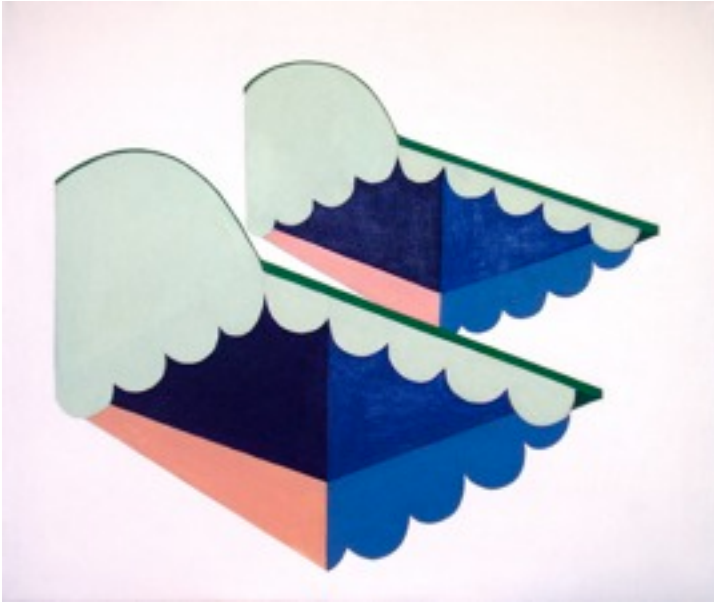
Louisiana

This is a detail of the new pediment of the recently renovated exterior of Louisiana. The petals are from a tropical tree which blooms in spring, the Poinciana.



Holiday

These are awnings adorning a wall of the fanciest resort in Cooktown, the Sovereign Resort Hotel.



Cooktown Pyramid

There's a story that ruins of an ancient 8 stepped Bronze Age pyramid was found in 2003 north of Cooktown, but has since been lost to the undergrowth. My version has glimpses of the architectural detailing adorning some recently renovated shop fronts of Charlotte St., the main street in town.

