

Dan Moynihan Mixed Emotions

Artwork Labels

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born 1974 Wollongong, New South Wales
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2006–2019

adhesive labels and paint

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Moynihan began this work in April 2006 when he started collecting duplicate copies of his customers' paint labels while working at Moorabbin Bunnings. Each label shows the details of the order, however Moynihan notes, 'The only thing absent, is the colour itself.' When opening each tin of paint for the customer's approval, Moynihan captured a sample dipping his finger in the paint and recording it on his duplicate label. Over the course of a year he accumulated over 2,000 labels, which over a decade later he presented in chronological order creating pattern through repetition and prompting us to consider our emotional response to colour.