## **ANTIPODEAN PALETTE 2020 'IN ISOLATION' ARTISTS**

self portrait
Contemplating a plant in isolation
61cm X 46cm

## **ANGY LABIRIS**



Remembering Greece Bamboo and cypresses 46cm X 61cm

The COVID-19 pandemic has hit the world by surprise. We wonder when it will be over. There have been other epidemics but none that have forced us to change our normal behaviour to this extent. We all hope that we won't see one again in our lifetime.

We can no longer travel. We can't go overseas - not even interstate. We are all housebound. We are isolated. We wait at home hoping that the virus will go away or will be conquered. We began to see improvement so we start little by little to behave again like normal human beings. We go out of the house, to a restaurant or for coffee. But things again change. We again retreat. Visual artists are still busy. The creative process continues in isolation. The virus has not stopped

their work. I have continued to paint but, as outdoor activities are restricted, I have concentrated mainly on indoor subject matter. I painted a self-portrait contemplating the outdoor world. I set up indoor still life subjects or imagine the landscapes of Greece that I long to revisit.

