## **About Gee (Gerald) Ryan**

I live in Melbourne, Australia.

I graduated from The University of Melbourne with a Master of Laws degree and Bachelor of Commerce degree.

For many years, I was a Partner of a leading Australian and Asian law firm, Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now called King & Wood Mallesons). I was Head of the firm's Corporate & Commercial practice in Melbourne and then International Partner in charge of the firm's international practice. I am a Life Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors — FAICDLife — the highest award conferred by this peak body for company directors in Australia.

I retired from legal practice in 2003, allowing me to devote more time to my passionate interests in painting (art) and science exploration.

I am a very spiritual person. But I am not at all religious. The two are quite different! My paintings reflect my core spiritual belief in **Jesus's central commandment "love one another**".

Jesus gave His "love one another" commandment a total of FIVE times at the Last Supper, the night before He would be crucified – Gospel of John at John 13:34 (twice), John 13:35, John 15:12 and John 15:17. I interpret the meaning of "love one another" to be that Jesus was commanding that ALL of us must love ALL others including FUTURE others (for example, we must care for the environment that future generations will inherit).

I am the father of five adult children (from the one marriage ... now divorced) and the grandfather of 12 children / young teenagers.

As at April 2025, I am aged 76. There is more information about me on my website — www.geeryan.com



Gee (Gerald) Ryan with his painting *Love One Another Basin* (photo taken by Paul Loughnan, Melbourne, 2015)

## **Explanation By Artist:**

"My Love One Another Basin series of paintings shows my depictions of the basin (John 13:5) in which Jesus washed the feet of His Disciples (John 13:1–20) at the **Last Supper** (John 13:1–17:26), immediately before giving His "love one another" central commandment a total of **FIVE times at the Last Supper** – John 13:34 (twice), John 13:35, John 15:12 and John 15:17. This photo shows me (in 2015) in front of the first painting (2000) of the series." *Gee* 

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