

Melbourne artist

gets \$10,000 award

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SYDNEY. — Melbourne-born artist, Arthur Boyd, has won this year's \$10,000 Britannica Australia award for the arts.

A similar award for the sciences was won by Sydney University professor in astronomy (Prof. Robert Brown) and the humanities award went to historian and biographer, Professor Douglas Pike.

The awards are made each year by Encyclopaedia Britannica Inc. to recognise outstanding achievement by Australians.

Mr. Boyd, who returned from London earlier this year to accept a fellowship in creative arts at the Australian National University, is working in Canberra on a series of landscapes.

Professor Pike received his award for his work in editing the Australian Dictionary of Biography. He is a former reader in history at Adelaide University.

Professor Brown has won a series of international awards since 1949 for his work in astronomy and radio astronomy.

Gentle touch

BRISBANE.—Most, or possibly all, of Brisbane's policewomen will soon be switched to traffic duty in an attempt to relieve over-worked police officers.

The move will make Queensland the only State in Australia to employ policewomen on traffic duty.