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SYDNEY artist Shaun Gladwell made auction history last month when his video became the first DVD art to go under the hammer in Australia. His five-minute video *Storm Sequence*, of a skateboarder on Bondi promenade as a storm breaks, sold for \$84,000.

But the boy from Auburn - whose work is shown all over the world - wasn't blown away. "It's kind of like a removed sort of thing because I'm so busy working on all these new projects," Gladwell said yesterday.

Gladwell is at the vanguard of Australian contemporary art exhibiting in Brazil, Chile, Italy, Germany, Bangkok, Japan - and that's just in 2007.

He has returned to Sydney for his largest solo exhibition *Shaun Gladwell: Videowork*, curated by Blair French which opens tomorrow at Artspace in Woolloomooloo.