

## from our President

I will start with the Pop Up Gallery. Firstly, thank you to the volunteers for providing their time and giving on average, 20 people each day the opportunity to buy MTAS art works, selling what MTAS is about and encouraging them to become members. Madeline, Julie and Narelle have sold paintings this month. Congratulations ladies.

Our next projects involve hanging art works in the offices of Digital Age Lawyers on Lennox Street. This business is owned by Katherine Hawes and she has kindly offered the walls to show case MTAS artists to her clients. The art must be Hawkesbury historic images (buildings, scenes etc), and images that may be associated with lawyers. There is room for a total of 18 pieces (10 large to medium, 8 small, framed or thick edge canvas) Oggy will also send out an email with the finer detail and how we will select what will be hung.

The next exciting opportunity for MTAS artists, is an after 5 event at Digital Age Lawyers. This will be an invitation only event that Katherine will organise around the middle of May. I make no apologies for the fact that the art displayed at this event will be of a high quality and will be deliberately selected. Unsure of the quantity at this stage. The other great news involving Digital Age Lawyers, is that they will be the major sponsor of our Autumn Exhibition.

The March meeting had Dtai Hansathit demonstrating how he turned his urban sketching into watercolour paintings. Dtai will have held his workshop at Yarramundi on April 2nd. I know those that have booked in for this workshop will enjoy the experience.

The plein air painting was cancelled due to poor weather. We will now join the Good Food Markets April 29. Keep an eye out for the detail.

The article in the April edition of the Hawkesbury Independent will feature Malcolm Robertson and have a piece on what is happening with MTAS for the month. Grab your copy when you see it next, don't walk past, you may not get a second chance.

A reminder that the Yarramundi Community Centre open day is the first and third Wednesday of each month. Come on out and enjoy the company. Please contact Narelle or Sharron to confirm details.

For those on Facebook, check the Macquarie Towns Arts Society page, log onto [www.mtas.com.au](http://www.mtas.com.au), email [info@mtas.com.au](mailto:info@mtas.com.au) or phone a committee member for further information. Contact numbers are listed on the cover of your newsletter.

Quote of the Month: *Art is the only way to run away without leaving home* (Twyla Tharp)

Donna Cavanagh, President, MTAS Inc.

## CASS report

ART IN ACTION. ART IN ACTION. ART IN ACTION. Got the message. This event is now less than two months away and the longer you take, the greater the chance you will miss the workshops you want. So if you haven't already booked in, you will need to hurry. These inspiring workshops will go ahead 19, 20 and 21 May at Merroo Conference Centre in Kurrajong NSW.

Please check [www.combinedartsocieties.com](http://www.combinedartsocieties.com) for more details on all CASS events and how to book "CASS Cottage" Kandos Holiday Accommodation.

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Oggy

### Purple Noon Gallery

Beautiful Art, Sculpture & Framing  
An enchanting sandstone gallery and garden with a relaxed and rustic ambience. Contemporary and fine art, sculpture, gifts and jewellery. Also leaders for all picture framing requirements.  
Open Wed. to Fri. 10am – 5pm  
Sat. 11am – 4pm.  
Closed Mon., Tues. & Sun.  
606 Terrace Rd, Freemans Reach  
02 4579 6579  
[purplenoongallery.com.au](http://purplenoongallery.com.au)

### MTAS SCHOOL HOLIDAY ART & CRAFT WORKSHOPS

for kids 5 - 15yrs  
10th - 21st April 2017  
(excluding Easter Public Holidays)  
Special Easter Arts & Crafts Program. 5-15 yrs.  
2hr workshops \$15 each, all equipment supplied.  
At Richmond Art Supplies  
(new location)  
328 Windsor St, Richmond.  
(Next to Brynorms).  
**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**  
ph 0412 979 731

### Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop

The AGM has been delayed until 5pm Wednesday 5th April. At K13  
The Piggery Lane Studios will have Open Days on 1st Saturday monthly.  
Enquiries Josephine Blue  
[hawkesburycommunityartsworkshop@yahoo.com.au](mailto:hawkesburycommunityartsworkshop@yahoo.com.au)

### PITT TOWN SPORTING CLUB

One work has sold, next changeover 11th May

### HAWKESBURY SHOW

Art Entries close Tuesday 4th April.  
[www.hawkesburyshow.com.au](http://www.hawkesburyshow.com.au)

## Classes

### MTAS CHILDREN'S AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

*Teacher Marcella Pyke*  
Term 2 begins Monday 1st & Wednesday 3rd May.  
\$96 (8 week term)  
incl. materials  
**ENROLMENTS ESSENTIAL**  
Ph Deidre 0412 979 731

Thank you to all the kind folk who helped us move Richmond Art Supplies shop from the Magnolia Mall to our new location - 328 Windsor St, Richmond (next to Brynorms). We really appreciated your assistance. Please come & visit our new shop soon.  
Deidre & Satya Morrison.

### HAWKESBURY PRINTMAKERS INC.

Contemporary Printmaking with Jemma Roberts, Sat 8th April, 10 - 3 at K13.  
\$45 includes Paper, wax & ink to prepare your printing paper, lino to carve & akua intaglio for printing.  
All equipment supplied  
Sheila ph 4572 3039  
[se.sharp@bigpond.net.au](mailto:se.sharp@bigpond.net.au)

**MTAS LIFE DRAWING GROUP**  
3rd Tuesday each month, i.e. the next Tuesday following the MTAS Meeting 7pm - 9pm  
\$12. Model, easels & supper provided.  
BYO drawing materials.  
Next session, Tuesday 18th April  
at the Art Shop, 328 Windsor St, Richmond  
(next to Brynorms)  
Ph Deidre 0412 979 731

### FRIDAY ART CLASS

*with Deidre Morrison*  
All media  
*Work at your own pace in relaxed, friendly atmosphere.*  
Every Friday 12.30 - 3.30pm.  
\$25 p.w.  
Richmond Art Supplies  
328 Windsor St, Richmond  
(next to Brynorms)  
**Ph. 0412 979 731**

### FOHacRG Inc.

Next Meeting Thursday 6th April, Rozzoli Room, 7.30pm  
Mud Cloth workshop, Sunday 18th June.

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

ZERA DERRIG  
MARIAN WILCOX  
BETTY COX