

from the President

Welcome to 2019, I hope you all enjoyed the season's celebrations with family, friends and loved ones. We have an exciting year ahead with a fantastic line-up of demonstrations and workshops. Our first for the year, on February 12, will be Deidre Morrison demonstrating Acrylic Pouring & Resin techniques, a fun and creative way to make abstract art or to embellish everyday articles - a great idea for that perfect gift.

I'd like to congratulate all the MTAS artists who submitted work for the CASS Art of Sydney Exhibition, between us we submitted over 50 works across all categories. Thank you also to all the volunteers who helped out, without you it would be difficult to continue to stage these events. The CASS Honours Awards were held for the second year and the Macquarie Towns nomination was Narelle Ward, for her tireless work on behalf of us and of the community - a well-deserved recognition, congratulations Narelle!

Some of you may have seen an email circulating before Christmas about an exciting new venture - or what we hope will be an exciting new venture! The Committee is in negotiation for leasing new premises in Richmond, There are still some decisions to make and matters to clarify but I hope we can provide a positive update at the February demo meeting

In closing this month I would like to express our sorrow and sympathy to Julie Simmons on the recent loss of her daughter Tara.

Cheers,
Kym

Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop

We are raising funds for an extractor fan over the kilns. Rotary are allowing us a BBQ tent at Bunnings McGraths Hill on Saturday 9th February. Come for a sausage sandwich and support us. Our exhibition at the Female Orphan School, WSU at Rydalmere is open Saturday 9th February and every Thursday & Friday until 22nd February. You can buy a raffle ticket for \$2 for a framed Kevin Oxley print of "The Bell Inn, Windsor", drawn 22nd February.

Fees, \$50 (parking, insurance, office & incidentals) are due. Classes have started & term or tutor per session fees are due.

Enquiries E: hawkesburycommunityartsworkshop@yahoo.com.au

CASS report

Once again the Art of Sydney was a mammoth effort from artists and volunteers from the Greater Sydney region and pure 450 paintings were submitted for judging. The judge was the well-known en plein air impressionist painter, Mr Ken Knight.

The Best in Show was an intimate landscape 'Hotel Central Tilba' by Oatley 101 Society of Artist's member Mr Steve Jannar. Several Highly Commended, Commended and Finalist awards went to MTAS artists Julie Simmons, Joy Myers Creed, Sheila Sharp, Pat Latta, and Kym Morris.

The next event on the CASS calendar is Art in Action, the three days of creative tutoring and networking to be held at Merroo in Kurrajong on the 17, 18 and 19 May - the workshop schedule is available on the web at www.combinedartsocieties.com

I look forward to seeing you there.

Cheers,
Kym (CASS President and MTAS Delegate)

FOHacRG Inc.

We will have a 30th birthday celebration at the end of June with a luncheon and exhibition. We are planning a coach trip to NGA Canberra for the Monet exhibition in early July.

There will be a mosaic workshop held at the Stan Stevens Studio in March. Details next newsletter.

Awards

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Sec. 2 HC Julie Simmons

Sec. 4 HC Kym Morris

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Sec. 3 C Joy Myers Creed

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Finalists:

Sec. 1 Kym Morris

Sec. 4 Joy Myers Creed

Sec. 5 Patricia Latta, Sheila Sharp

Sec. 6 Sheila Sharp x 2

HAWKESBURY PRINTMAKERS INC.

We now have a plan cabinet for the tissue paper etc, and a drying rack for prints.

No workshops currently planned.

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VALE – DENNIS BRADSHAW

It was with sadness that the news was received of the passing of our member, Dennis Bradshaw.

Dennis was a very long standing member of the Society and has been supporting the Society for a very long time.

Sympathy is sent to his family in their loss.

Classes

PORTRAIT GROUP

MTAS Portrait Group meets 2nd Saturday each month, 1- 4pm, \$12. Model, easels & afternoon tea provided, BYO Painting/Drawing materials. Next session Sat. 9th February at Richmond Art Supplies 328 Windsor St, Richmond. Ph Deidre 0412979731.

MTAS LIFE DRAWING GROUP

3rd Tuesday each month 7pm - 9pm \$12. Model, easels & supper. BYO drawing materials. Next session, Tuesday 19th Feb. at the Art Shop, 328 Windsor St, Richmond Ph Deidre 0412 979 731

MTAS CHILDREN'S AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

Teacher Marcella Pyke

Term 1 begins

Monday 4th & Wednesday 6th
February 2019

\$96 (8 week term)

incl. materials

ENROLMENTS ESSENTIAL
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

Calendar of Events

DEMONSTRATION

12th February *Deidre Morrison*
Acrylic Pouring & Resin techniques

12th March *Dario Falzon, Oils*

9th April *Chris Seale, Acrylics*

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER

Meri Andric

Field Day

A field day with Nepean and MTAS members is held every Thursday. For venue or information, please ring Jeff Eyles on 0416 975 581 or NAS website for further information <http://nepeanartsociety.wildapricot.org/plein-air-painting-group>

MTAS Plein Air at Yarramundi Reserve 17th March