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THE SOCIETY MEETS ON 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

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from the President

At our February demonstration evening we were very lucky to have Deidre Morrison showing us two fun and versatile acrylic paint pour techniques. Deidre and Satya brought along many examples of paintings, coasters, cutting boards and resin jewellery to inspire us and there are periodic classes at Richmond Art Supplies to get you started.

Our demonstrator in March is Dario Falzon showcasing his oil painting techniques and, as we know from past experience, the evening will be very interesting and informative, with some fun for good measure. To see some examples of Dario's work, visit his web page www.dariofalzon.com

The committee are continuing their efforts to secure a new home for the society. The property is in Musson Lane, behind St Andrews Uniting Church in W. Market St. We are only waiting for the lease to be completed and reviewed before making a final commitment.

We will be seeking volunteers to be on a roster for the new MTAS gallery - an opportunity for members to showcase their work on a regular basis.

Don't forget to check our website at www.mtas.com.au for the latest information on demonstrations and workshops and 'like' and share our Facebook page.

Cheers,
Kym

CASS report

CASS are taking bookings for Art in Action and workshops are beginning to fill. To be sure of the workshop you want, get in early and book, the forms are available on the web at www.combinedartsocieties.com/art-in-action. Also on the website are photographs of the winning paintings from the Art of Sydney Exhibition at <http://combinedartsocieties.com/cass-gallery/art-sydney-2019/#>

Cheers,
Kym (CASS President and MTAS Delegate)

Art is what we call... the thing an artist does.

It's not the medium or the oil or the price or whether it hangs on a wall or you eat it. What matters, what makes it art, is that the person who made it overcame the resistance, ignored the voice of doubt and made something worth making. Something risky. Something human.

Art is not in the eye of the beholder. It's in the soul of the artist.

My work has been published in Australian Artist Magazine, Art/Edit Magazine and the Rosemary & Co Artist Brushes newsletter.

Dario is an exhibiting member of the Royal Art Society of NSW and is a brand ambassador for Michael Harding Paints - <http://www.michaelharding.co.uk/>

About my Demo:

I will be talking through my process of taking a small gouache sketch into a larger oil painting. The scene is of a late afternoon by the river.

On the night i will bring some framed pieces of my work and a display copy of my new book, with ordering information.

DEMONSTRATION

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 12th March 2019 7.30pm

Stan Stevens Studio, Deerubbin Centre,
Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct, George St, Windsor

The basement carpark closes at 7.45pm

\$5 entry includes supper

Dario Falzon - Oils

In 2016 I was fortunate to become an international brand ambassador for Michael Harding Paints, accompanying them to the Plein Air Convention in Tucson,



Arizona. While there I was enrolled as a faculty member and gave a demonstration of my painting technique.

I have exhibited in group shows and national art prizes such as the annual Camberwell Art Show and Victor Harbor Rotary club show, where I was awarded a bronze award in 2016. I was also a finalist in the prestigious 2016 Len Fox Art Award, a biennial art award show held by the Castlemaine Art Museum in Victoria, Australia.



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>

Calendar of Events

DEMONSTRATION

9th April *Chris Seale - Acrylics*

14th May *John Rice - Oils*

OPEN DAY YARRAMUNDI

6th & 20th March - The meetings at Yarramundi on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month will continue until we are set up at the new venue in Richmond. I have started to pack up but members continue their activities without any disruption. We had 7 artists last week including John Shields who demonstrated his unique skill ,painting an Australian landscape in oils. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 6th March, 10am to 4pm.

PLEIN AIR

17th March *Yarramundi Reserve*

WORKSHOP

5th May *Kathryn Kennedy - Print making*

Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop

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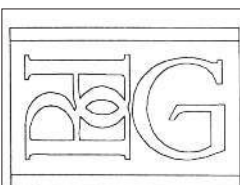
Our AGM will be at 4pm Wednesday 20th March at K13. All positions are vacant. President Josephine Blue will not stand again. Thanks are due for her hard work, with her Committee, over the last few years to secure the future of HCAW on the WSU Hawkesbury Campus.

Malcolm Robertson (mac.robertson@bigpond.com) would welcome more people at Life Drawing at K13 on Thursdays 6.30 to 9

Classes/groups for pottery, watercolour, folk art, portrait & life drawing have commenced. Suggestions for new groups or workshops welcome.

Enquiries

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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 Saturday 9th March at
Richmond Art Supplies

328 Windsor St, Richmond (next to Brynorms)

Ph: Deidre 0412 979 731

LIFE DRAWING GROUP

MTAS Life Drawing Group meets
3rd Tuesday each month

7pm - 9pm \$12. Model, easels & supper.
BYO drawing materials.

Next session, Tuesday 19th March at

Richmond Art Supplies

328 Windsor St, Richmond (next to Brynorms)

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

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FRIDAY ART CLASS

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Hawkesbury Printmakers.

We are now an HCAW group. Our funds have provided K13 with a laundry trough with a hot/cold water mixer tap. This will be a huge asset and convenience for all. It has allowed reorganisation of the pottery drying corner.

We also purchased a 25 shelf drying rack which can be used by all groups working on paper.

Sheila ph 0408161284

Exhibitions

Hawkesbury Regional Gallery 26th January - 31st March

Ph 4560 4441, closed Tuesday

'Warakurna: All the stories got into our minds and eyes.' until 31st March

'Enid Colquhoun: Survey' until 31st March

'The Alan Cleary Collection' The collection includes work by Arthur Boyd, Lloyd Rees, Wendy Sharpe and Richard Larter. 5th April - 26th May

Art Gallery NSW 29 March – 21 July 2019

The second of three biennial surveys presenting the latest ideas and forms in contemporary Australian art. Staged concurrently at three of Sydney's premiere cultural institutions – the Art Gallery of NSW, Carriageworks and the Museum of Contemporary Art Australia – The National 2019: new Australian art showcases a total of 65 emerging, mid-career and established Australian artists living across the country and overseas and working in a diverse range of media.

The exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW presents 24 artists who navigate the boundary between chaos and control in work that is by turns political, poetic and personal. It reveals how Australian artists are responding with subtlety and ambition to the times they live in, through artworks that are intricate, complex and often charged with a sense of precariousness.

Purple Noon

606 Terrace Rd, Freemans Reach

Ph:4579 6579 puplenoon@bigpond.com

Wednesday to Friday 10am - 5pm Saturday and Sunday 11am - 4pm

Introducing Buku-Larrnggay Mulka contemporary bark paintings and ceremonial poles to the Hawkesbury.

A selection of small high quality barks and larrakitj will be arriving soon from Yirrkala.

The exhibition opens Friday March 1st at 6:00pm, by recently retired Hawkesbury

councillor Christine Paine. Do hope that you can make it.



The Village Kitchen Kurrajong

83 Old Bells Line of Road Kurrajong Village 4573 0988

'Varv' Liz Bellingham 10th March - 12th April

FOHacRG Inc.

A Preservation Needs Assessor is starting work on the Clint Collection using funds awarded by the National Library as part of the Community Heritage Grants.

We will have a Street Stall on Saturday March 23rd at 526 George St, South Windsor.

Volunteer help welcome ph Margaret 4577 4440

We will have a 30th Anniversary lunch on Saturday 29th June (\$30) surrounded by a display of art works by past and current members from the collections and also works for sale (Entry Form later)

Lunch enquiries ph Ellen Jordan 4577 6568.

We are organising a coach trip to the NGA Canberra for "Monet: Impressionist Sunrise" on Sunday 21st July, leaving Richmond 7.15am. \$90 includes coach travel, morning tea and exhibition entry. Enquiries ph Ellen.

We are planning an all day Saturday/am Sunday Mosaic workshop late August/September.

The Yancoal Singleton Art Prize

The Singleton Art Prize is moving its date to May in 2019 to become the lead event in the Singleton Festival being run by Singleton Council Entry form will be sent out in late January or sooner.

The first weekend the 4/5 May will showcase the Singleton Art Collection, acquired over the last 36 years. The following week deliveries will be accepted from Tuesday 7/8 May, opening night Friday 10 May. The following weekend 18/19 May unsold art works will be displayed in a huge Art Sale.

Those works not sold will be available for pick up Sunday afternoon & Monday.

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Mellissa Read-Devine with her works in the CASS Art of Sydney Exhibition



Past President and current Vice President Narelle Ward with her painting at the CASS exhibition, was nominated by Kym Morris to receive an award in recognition of the work she has done for MTAS.



MTAS Portrait Group Pamela Powell as model for February



School Holiday workshop January - Paint a Landscape



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- Local Artists Gallery \$2 for 4 months 20% commission on painting sales

Deidre Morrison 0412 979 731
Satya Morrison 0405 337 652

328 Windsor St, Richmond
(Next to Brynorns) 4578 3555

MTAS Demonstration
Resin & Acrylic Pouring with Deidre Morrison



School Holiday workshop
Deidre Morrison with children at the School Holiday workshop in January



*Left:
Children with
the jewellery
they have made*

“Chalk Art on George”

Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop (HCAW) successfully applied for funds through Hawkesbury City Council's sponsorship program to run a public art project in George Street Windsor.

The project is called “Chalk Art on George” and will be held between 9am and 3pm on Sunday, 5 May 2019.

This exciting and fun project involves local Hawkesbury artists creating temporary chalk artworks in public spaces. There is no theme and artists are invited to come up with their own ideas to suit the space they are given to work on. Whilst the exact locations of the artworks are yet to be confirmed with business owners, the surfaces may include pavement areas as well as walls. As well as being paid an artist fee, Hawkesbury Regional Gallery is providing artists with good quality chalks.

The artworks will start at the end of the Windsor Mall on the corner of George and Fitzgerald Streets and continue along to Hawkesbury Regional Gallery at 300 George Street. There, everyone can join in and try their hand at being a chalk artist. There will be outdoor chalk pavement activities as well as a chalk wall art activity inside the Gallery.

Local Hawkesbury artists, who are interested in receiving more information and in making an expression of interest, are

invited to contact Josephine Blue, President of the Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop by email: hawkesburycommunityartsworkshop@yahoo.com.au Expressions of Interest need to be received by 29 March at the same email address.

Seven artists will be selected in early April and then work with HCAW and Council to prepare for the day.

HCAW is looking to work with local arts groups and local artists, not just HCAW members. We are also seeking volunteers to help on the day: sitting with artists at each "art stop" to provide information and maps showing all locations, as well as assisting with the interactive activities outside the Deerubbin Centre.

Volunteers will need to attend an information session at the Gallery prior to the event.

Council and HCAW will be promoting the event and any art group, which helps with some of their members providing volunteer help, will be acknowledged. I would really appreciate it if you could forward this email onto any Hawkesbury visual artist who

may be interested in participating.

Groups who would like to assist with volunteers are also invited to participate by replying to this email: hawkesburycommunityartsworkshop-@yahoo.com.au

It will be great to work together and involve Hawkesbury's art community in this project.



‘ART IN ACTION’ 17, 18, 19 May 2019

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