

from our President

Firstly, I need to thank the previous committee and Narelle for her guidance and mentoring over the past year. Macquarie Towns Arts Society is in a very stable position, with good membership and generally great support, from you, the members. When I say generally, I mean that there were only 21 people at our AGM and only a couple of apologies. That means, over 100 of you, didn't acknowledge the AGM, which is disappointing. There was a committee elected, fortunately, so the society will continue into 2017. And we were fortunate to have some new members, join the committee. With your support, they may be encouraged to stay for more than a year.

Most of you will know me, Donna Cavanagh, and have met me at various functions during the last 12 months. If not, I look forward to meeting you during my tenure as president.

My background in art extends back to Queensland and the Inala Community Art Gallery where I was the Public Relations Officer and taught basic art at the local schools as well as trouble youth at the community centre. I joined the Wagga Wagga Art Society whilst I was there, and have been a member of MTAS since I arrived in 2014.

Down to business. At the AGM, Dianna Robson spoke about the Hawkesbury Art Fair at the Hawkesbury Regional Gallery. MTAS will be inviting 8 artists to exhibit their work. They can expect to have 2 works each in the Fair from 4 November to 4 December. A reminder that our Spring Affair Exhibition opens Friday, 28th of October. Christine Paine has accepted our invitation to open the exhibition. Entry forms went out with the August newsletter, with entries closing the 7th of October. Don't forget, we will need volunteers for the roster to look after the exhibition through-out the week end.

One for your calendar. Julie Simmons will be conducting a Water Colour on Canvas workshop on the 13th of November at Yarramundi from 9:30am to 3:30pm. Julie will be supplying the already primed canvas in the cost of the workshop.

A reminder that the Yarramundi Community Centre open day is the first and third Wednesday of each month. So, come on out and enjoy the company.

I would like to thank Ann, Elizabeth and Sheila for their demonstration following the AGM on the art of printing with lino. Great work ladies. I think most were amazed at how much effort goes into getting an image on paper.

Please check your calendars for a list of activities during October. For those on Facebook, check the Macquarie Towns Arts

Society page or log onto info@MTAS.com.au or phone a committee member for further information. Contact numbers are listed on the cover of your newsletter.

Donna Cavanagh, President, MTAS Inc.

CASS report

Thank you to all who participated in the CASS September Art Month. The open studios reported few sales but a lot of valuable networking in their communities.

The next CASS event is the Art of Sydney Awards Exhibition in January 2017 to be judged by artist and sculptor Brett 'Mon' Garling. Entry forms have been sent to MTAS and are due, with your volunteer roster times by December 2.

Art in Action is in preparation and we hope to have next years tutors list available by the end of October, check the combinedartsocieties.com website for details.

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FOHacRG Inc.

There are still some seats on our bus to 'Sculpture by the Sea'. Leaves George St Windsor 9am Sunday 23rd October. \$20 Our submission to the National Library about the Significance of the Clint Collection will be presented in October.

Details of our coach trip to Canberra for the "Treasures of Versailles" on Sunday January 22nd available soon. Put your names down.

Entry forms for our selling exhibition for the "Year of the Rooster" Feb 17th, 18th, 19th are available. Contact Sheila 4572 3039

PITT TOWN SPORTING CLUB

We will change the current works in the Pitt Town Sporting Club on Tuesday 25th October, BEFORE our exhibition (so that there are new works for Melbourne Cup Day). These will stay up until mid/late February. Contact Sheila ph 4572 3039 if interested. Deliver works to Richmond Art Supplies by Monday 24th or Yarramundi on Wednesday 19th October Please ph Sheila 0408 161 284 or 4572 3039 if interested.

"Mistakes open doors to possibilities you would otherwise have never known existed" anonymous.

Classes

MTAS CHILDREN'S AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

Teacher *Marcella Pyke*
Term 4 begins Monday 17th & Wednesday 19th October
\$96 (8 week term)
incl. materials

ENROLMENTS ESSENTIAL
Ph Deidre 0412 979 731

HAWKESBURY PRINTMAKERS INC.

"Repeat printing Lino" Saturday 8th October to make a frieze or tile on paper or fabric.

K13, 10 - 3, \$35 includes inks, paper, use of tools, presses. BYO fabric.

"All things Christmas" Saturday 12th November K13 10-3, \$25 includes inks, tools etc. BYO fabric, cards, brown paper.... Can purchase lino and quality paper.

HPI have been invited to display works at the 'Hawkesbury Art Fair', opening 4th Nov at the Hawkesbury Regional Gallery. Contact Sheila ph 4572 3039

Frank Hodgert has a workshop article *'Painting at Capertee'* in the Creative Artist magazine number 14

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 October

at the Art Shop, Magnolia Mall, Richmond.

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
Shop 10 Magnolia Mall,
285 Windsor St, Richmond

Ph. 0412 979 731

Awards

Orange Blossom Festival Castle Hill Art Society

1st Watercolour
Julie Simmons
1st Works on Paper
Mellissa Read-Devine
2nd Members Award
Patricia Latta