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ARTISTS SOCIETY

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All members are invited to attend –
General Meeting Sunday 18th May @ 2.00 p.m.
Afternoon tea to follow meeting.

Dates for your Calendar!

Sat 3 rd May	- Life Drawing 1pm-4pm	Coordinator: Clive Vogel
Sat 10 th May	- Acrylic group 10am-3pm	Coordinator: Nancy Robinson
Wed 14th May	- Committee Meeting 1.30pm	Secretary: Kathy Bruce
Sat 17 th May	- Portraits 1pm-4pm	Coordinator: Janelle Hoban
Sun 18 th May	- General Meeting 2pm	Secretary: Kathy Bruce
Wed 21st May	- No General Meeting	Secretary: Kathy Bruce
Sat 31 st May	- Still Life 12pm to 4.00pm	Coordinator: Carol Smith
Every Tuesday - 10am-4pm	'Oil Painters' (and others)	Coordinator: Janet Buckton

For information on how to contact coordinators or Secretary refer to list at the end on this Newsletter

A Word from the President

Firstly I draw your attention to our General Meeting to be held on Sunday 18th May @2.00 p.m. This initiative was suggested at the annual Meeting and again recently to cater for members unable to attend on a Wednesday afternoon. Please come along to meet other members, hear more of what we are aiming to achieve and share ideas. If you would like an item on the agenda please contact Kathy Bruce.

We were very pleased with the support we received for our Opening of The Human Form Exhibition. Audray was an experienced and inspiring speaker to open the Exhibition. All the feedback we have received has been positive. Thank you to all involved.

This Exhibition remains until the end of May, then is followed by "Anything goes".(your choice of theme and medium).

We wish Pauline Farries every success with her Solo Exhibition "Four seasons" at the Plant farm in May. Come and join Pauline on Saturday 10th May 3-5p.m.

Now is the time to start working on your piece for "Local Knowledge"(landmarks, views and local icons) at the Plant farm in June . This work will then be hung in the Studio with an Official Opening

on the 4th July. Last year Local Icons proved very popular so we are hoping this year it will be just as successful.

We wish Janet and Marilyn every success with their plans for Beginners classes in May. Please support them in any way you can.

Happy Painting
Nancy Robinson (President)

Studio News

Acrylic group

Our April Activity was to use gel on our picture to give a melted effect with lots of depth and texture. Thanks Christina.

On Saturday May 10th you will need 2 canvas boards, paints and brushes. (other materials supplied) Elsie will guide us through a Resist technique using rinse aid or salt. Possible outcomes could be landscapes or an abstract result: Should be very interesting.

DYNAMIC ACRYLICS EXHIBITION @PLANT FARM IN JULY

Let's make this a colourful and exciting display. Cheers Nancy.

Oil Painters' news

STRICTLY BEGINNERS



In an initiative to stimulate interest in the Art Society and provide an entre to new and intending members, Marilyn and Janet (and anyone else who'd like to join them) are running a four week "strictly beginners" class at the studio from 11am - 1pm Mondays starting from the **12th MAY**. \$5 per person will pay for tea/coffee, some basic art materials to start, and for the use of the gallery. We will include simple drawing, composition, subject choice, perspective and art appreciation. We will also discuss various mediums, materials and equipment used and where to get them. We hope to introduce art tutors and more advanced lessons and workshops available in the area. The society has a good range of books, videos and other learning resources that can be used during this time.

We would appreciate every member spreading the word and encouraging the shy and diffident 'would be' artists or curious among us. We have newsletters/posters (available from the gallery) that could be put up at other community groups you may belong to.

Janet Buckton & Marilyn Forrest

Still Life Group

A wonderful afternoon was experienced by the members who attended the 'Still Life' afternoon at Marilyn Forrest's lovely home and garden. Thank you Marilyn! The afternoon tea was deliciously exquisite!!

Carol Smith

(Pics Overleaf compliments of Val Boulton. Thanks Val!)



What a Spread!!



Joan Fischer & Wendy Stephens creating

Workshops 2014



OIL PAINTING PORTRAIT WORKSHOP

with Jeff Wright

21 -22 JUNE \$150

Numbers strictly limited. First in, first served!

For more information ph. Janet 0428820440

Or: janetbuckton@bigpond.com

Enrolment Form at the end of this newsletter

- **Pastel workshop with Regina Hona.** Proposed date is October 11th and 12th to be confirmed. The subject matter will be "water". (Lin Stark)
- **Watercolour and Acrylic workshops** are being planned, but no details at this stage.
- **Card making workshop suggested by Lin Stark.** Cards could be used by AWAS for birthdays, sympathy etc. If you have ideas, skills etc, see Lin.

Photos of works for AWAS Exhibition

We would welcome for future AWAS exhibitions, photos of members' works (that are to be included in the exhibition) to be submitted early for us to selectively use for invitation/poster designs. The flyer-poster for the Human form Exhibition was designed using artworks by Modigliani, (1884-1920) deliberately distorted for the design. We don't want to project the idea that we only do "copies" or works referencing famous European artists-we have lots of creative ideas of our own!

Kathy Bruce,
Secretary AWAS

Library News:

Guidelines: Borrowing is to be of 3 weeks duration. Borrowers please fill in and sign the borrowing book when taking items out, and sign and date the book on return, then place in the tray marked "RETURNS". It has come to notice that there are a couple books that were borrowed several months ago and have not been returned. **Could you please check your cupboards and shelves and return any library books you may have overlooked.**

Marilyn Forrest
Assistant Librarian

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Reminder that fees for 2nd half year now due. (Applicable only to certain members)

EXHIBITION OPENING-HUMAN FORM:.

A very successful event: A good crowd of guests attended. There was an excellent display of works in various media and styles. (Some pictured below) Self-catering worked well, providing an adequate quantity and variety of food, which was eagerly consumed by guests and washed down with bottled white or red wine! An arrangement of native flowers prepared by Carol Smith was presented to our opening guest, Audrey Banfield. (Pics by Kathy Bruce) Thanks Kathy



Other Goings On!

Congratulations to Olga Juskiw : Benalla Nudes!! From some three and a half thousand works submitted for the 'Benalla Nudes' Exhibition, Olgas piece was one of the very few that were selected and hung for judging!

Our Congratulations to Geoff & Kaye Pollard: Council Eagle Award: Geoff and Kaye Pollard, owners of the 'Plant Farm' Wodonga received an Eagle Award from the Wodonga Council, in March for their community work.

New Members: A big welcome to all the new members who have joined in 2014! We hope you are all taking advantage of the studio and our great range of artistic activities.

Exhibitions:

Tumbarumba - Carcoola Children's Centre Art Show-Entries due May 30th.

Entry forms for King Valley Art Show and Wangaratta Art Show

- Entry forms and information in the tray marked exhibitions at the studio..

Plant Farm news

New Co-Ordinator: Heather Sparks is now the co-ordinator of the Plant Farm Exhibitions. 60595306

May: Pauline Farries: Solo Exhibition '**Four seasons**'. Come and join Pauline on Saturday 10th May 3-5pm for the opening of her exhibition.

June: Local Knowledge: The theme 'Local Knowledge' can be widely interpreted as Landmarks, Views and Local Icons so get plein airing or snapping icons with your camera as this theme should create a good deal of public interest!

This Exhibition will be transferred to the Paintbox Studio, rehung there, and displayed for the month of July. If you don't have anything ready for the Plant Farm, new '**Icon**' works can be included in the Studio Exhibition – space permitting.

Studio Session Co-ordinators

Life Drawing Contact: Clive Vogel 0427774214
Acrylics Contact Nancy Robinson 0260243127
Portraiture Contact: Janelle Hoban 0401 919813
Still Life Contact: Carol Smith: 02 6024 5094

Workshop Co Ordinators

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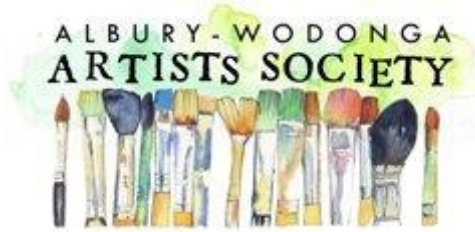
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FOUR SEASONS

an exhibition by

Pauline Farries



Music in Albury Botanical Gardens (Acrylic on canvas 75cm x 100cm)

7th May to 3rd June

Mon - Fri 8.30 am to 4.00 pm Sat & Sun 8.30 am to 5.00 pm

WODONGA PLANT FARM – GARDEN GALLERY CAFÉ

Cnr Beechworth Rd & Huon Creek Rd Wodonga

You are invited to join Pauline at the opening

Saturday 10th May, 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm

Workshop Enrolment Form: **Geoff Wright**

Date: 21st-22nd June 2014 Cost: \$150 members & students \$ non members

Deposit: \$50 (non-refundable) to be paid by 31st May 2014. Balance of \$100 to be received by 10th June, 2014.

Payment details on form below: (Please advise Janet by phone or email when making payment)

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Please tick: Member Non Member Full time student
Encl: Deposit Full payment \$ _____

Signed _____ Date: _____

Mailing & Bank Account details for AWAS Payments

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