



ALBURY - WODONGA
ARTISTS SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

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Dates for your Calendar!

Regular sessions/groups		
Sat 4 th August (Also booked 5 th /6 th /7 th) Sat 11 th August Sat 18 st August Friday 24 th August	Life Drawing session 1 – 4pm Acrylic/Mixed Media group 10-4 Portraits session Watercolour Group	Coordinator: Olga Juskiw Coordinator: Jill Scanlon Coordinator: E Reitenbach, J Hoban Coordinator: Jen Wallace
Meetings		
Wed 15 th August	General Meeting 12 midday	Secretary: Kathy Bruce and Donna Johnstone
Tutored Workshops		
15 th & 16 th Sept 2018	Watercolour Tutor: Julian Bruere "From Sketchbook to Painting Masterpiece"	Coordinator: Jen Wallace
Plant Farm Exhibition 7 th August to 2 nd October	"Blue" finishes, Replaced by "Reflections"	Heather Sparks

For information contact details of the committee or co-ordinators, refer to the list at the end of this newsletter.

LIMITED ACCESS TO STUDIO SAT AUGUST 4TH, SUN 5TH, MON 6TH AND TUES 7TH:

A small group of Life Drawing participants have booked the studio for extended Life Drawing sessions with models, beginning on Saturday morning 9am and continuing to Tuesday. If AWAS members need to access the studio on any of those days, the Life Drawing sessions have a lunch break from 12 noon to 1pm. The usual monthly Life Drawing Saturday afternoon session is on 1pm to 4pm.

The AGM: 2pm Sunday October 21st.

Once again, we encourage members to take on roles to keep AWAS alive.

Future Meeting Dates 2018

Committee Meetings

Wednesday 19th September

General Meetings

Wednesday 15th August, Sunday 21st October (AGM)

A Word from our Vice President Barb

Hi everyone. Just a quick note as I leave for Africa today. It seems that my feet have hardly hit the ground here in Albury before packing my bags for my next jaunt.

However, I was very pleased to be able to spend time here this last weekend for Craig Penny's acrylic workshop – what an interesting and enjoyable time that was! Craig kept us all amused, while filling us with new information and handy hints. Absolutely terrific, and watch out for the exhibition following! Craig's works that he produced were stunning.

Just a reminder that there is quite a bit going on over the next few months, and we are hoping that members will be able to help out and participate in our two open days in October (see below for further info).

Also, a reminder that our AGM is coming up, to be held on Sunday 21 October at 2pm. As usual, we will be looking for members to volunteer their services in various roles within the society. I can only encourage you, particularly newer members, to consider putting up your hand to take on a role. Getting involved like this is great for networking opportunities, as well as a chance to influence the way AWAS functions. PLEASE PLEASE give this your serious attention!

Also, a reminder that there will be a changeover at the Plant Farm Exhibition on 7 August, so hopefully you will be able to pull out some works that fit with the theme "Reflections".

Yours in art, Barb Strand, Vice President



VALE YVONNE ELLWOOD

Sadly, Yvonne Ellwood, a long - time member of Albury Wodonga Artists Society, passed away recently. She enjoyed painting with AWAS, and is remembered mostly for her floral arrangements in oils. She took on various roles on the committee of AWAS over the years, including President for some time while we occupied the Jenny Craig Building in Target Car Park, Albury. We will have the opportunity to enjoy some of her paintings in the "From the Archives" Exhibition in November, as she was keen to have her work included in this special exhibition.

REPORT: FINER FRAMES DRINKS, NIBBLES AND DEMO:

Held on a cold winters evening at Finer Frames, 59 High Street, Wodonga. 5.30 to 7pm 17th July

Finer Frames invited us for a social get together in their premises in Wodonga, 17th July 5.30 to 7pm. Despite the chilly weather we had such an interesting evening. I took my camera, but forgot to take any pics to enhance the newsletter report!! Drinks and nibbles were supplied and we were shown the best techniques to matt and frame a variety of types of artworks, as well as attaching hanging hooks and wires. To support local artists, Finer Frames offers member discounts on framing of their artworks. They can also offer us an exhibition space in their shop. Thanks Tony for coordinating this event.

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WE HAVE JUST HAD TWO GREAT TUTORED WORKSHOPS!

PASTEL WORKSHOP with ROSS PATERSON – 30th JUNE and 1st JULY

The Workshop Theme was “Using Light to Create Dynamic Pastel Paintings. Coordinator: Colin Parnaby



Participants of this workshop were inspired by the insights into depicting colour and light on their subjects and the use of gestural drawing to indicate forms. A wonderful display of the animals, figures and trees done during this successful workshop adorned the studio walls and stimulated much discussion on pastel techniques. Ross Paterson has tutored at AWAS on other occasions, sharing his skills in watercolour as well as pastels.

ACRYLIC WORKSHOP with CRAIG PENNY– 28th and 29th JULY

The theme for this workshop was WATER. Craig showed us a lot of secrets to success with water ripples, reflections, how to do wet and dry sand, and just suggestions of figures in your landscapes. Lots of info, presented in a very relaxed and informal way. Everyone seemed to enjoy the weekend, and the results were stunning! Coordinator: Judy Balfour.



NEXT WORKSHOP: WATERCOLOURS with JULIAN BRUERE- 15th and 16th September

“From Sketchbook to Painting Masterpiece” Coordinator: Jenny Wallace

This workshop is fully booked.

TWO OPEN DAYS IN OCTOBER: Saturday Oct 6th and Wednesday Oct 17th

This is the opportunity AWAS has to promote our society alongside the other tenants at The Gateway. Wodonga Council will advertise the events being held there on the Saturday and the following week. We really need members to set aside this time to come to the studio and help make our contribution to the event. Hopefully, we may see an increase in our membership as more members of the public become aware that they too, can do art!

On Saturday October 6th Open Day, which coincides with the Farmers Market, we have been asked to have members out and about, painting and drawing the activities outside: the buskers, the food and plant stalls, the kid's activities etc. Sounds like fun. Actually, some of us did do this last year, and the public were really interested to watch "artists at work". We will also set up indoors 2 or 3 still lifes and have members available to assist people "come and try".

Wednesday 17th October is the Wodonga Council's Senior Celebrations Open Day at the Gateway. We will retain Saturday's still life set ups and have tables and a variety of art materials for our senior visitors to "come and try". Once again, we will also need members there to assist.



So, these events can happen, we need some volunteers who will make a commitment to be there. Add your name to the list which will be posted on the noticeboard in the studio, or arrange for another member to add your name there.

EXHIBITIONS:

AT THE PLANT FARM 7th Aug - 2nd Oct....As we know the theme is 'Reflections' but we hope to have another good collection of 30 paintings as we had in our last exhibition. Paintings have been selling, and we look forward to a few more works finding new homes. Join members for afternoon tea when you bring your work inplease don't leave works at the studio.

Happy painting.....Heather Sparks.

Garden Gallery Café, Wodonga Plant Farm Exhibitions

Date From	Date to	Title
6 Feb 2018	2 Apr 2018	"Heat"
3 Apr 2018	5 June 2018	"Changing Seasons"
5 June 2018	7 August 2018	"Blue"
7 August 2018	2 Oct 2018	"Reflections"
2 Oct 2018	3 Dec 2018	"Spring"
4 Dec 2018	Feb 2019	"Christmas Specials – Under \$150"

EXHIBITIONS: AT THE STUDIO

Workshop Exhibitions continue for the month after the workshop:

August 1st to September 13th Acrylic paintings from the Craig Penny Workshop.

September 19th to October 19th Watercolour paintings from the Julian Bruere Workshop.

Two Special Exhibitions have been planned for the remainder of the year:

November 1st to November 30th SPECIAL AWAS EXHIBITION: "FROM THE ARCHIVES"

Coordinator: Heather Green. Our very early original members will participate, each bringing 4-5 works. A Poster is on the studio window featuring the participating artists. The opening will be Saturday 3rd November. Please contact Heather Green, email: heather.estelle.green8@gmail.com for further information, or if you would like to assist with the organization/publicity of this event.

December 1st to December 22nd VISION AUSTRALIA student's exhibition. Three AWAS members run an art class for the Vision Impaired at Mirambeena, Nth Albury. These four adult students have been doing some great artworks and it will be a good opportunity for them to hone their presentation skills, and show us all what abilities they have. The opening may become our studio Christmas party!

CHRISTMAS ALREADY!

For our official Christmas celebration, we will support our fellow Gateway tenant La Maison.

We have booked for **Friday 30th November** 5-7pm.

The cost will be \$30 and will consist of savory fingerfoods, desserts and tea or coffee. AWAS will pay for one drink per person as well.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS.

We have 9 new members who will be joining us. Some have already been working in the studio on weekdays, or joined us at Portraits or Life Drawing sessions. Welcome to: Ruth Morris, Belinda Schrickker, Deborah Allen, Anita Saleeba, Michael Tinsgaard, Kim Nelson-Thomson, Jacqueline Davis, Gary Cartner and Pat Welsh.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS were due JUNE 30TH.

Membership is \$100 for 12 months, beginning and ending on June 30th.

Only 32 of our 80 members have paid to date...are you one of those who need this reminder?

For all payments to AWAS: **BSB: 640-000 Account No. 111256122**

Or send cheque to: The Treasurer, Albury Wodonga Artists Society, PO Box 1170, Wodonga. Victoria 3689.

UPCOMING ART EXHIBITIONS *in the region*

Trinity Art Exhibition 14-16 Sept.

Entries in 24th August. rowena.newcomen@trinityac.nsw.edu.au

Gallery 294 Spring Madness Abstracts Only, Corowa. 1-23 Sept

Entries 25/29th Aug. margaret_wilmot@hotmail.com

Art Beyond the Divide Seymour Vic. 19-21 Oct.

Entries 21st Sept entry@artbeyondthedivide.org.au

Studio Gallery Sales

Painting Sales (not cards): Write a receipt and inform the artist or the treasurer.

The payment must go through the treasurer, not directly to the artist, as sales over \$30 attract a commission to AWAS.

For **Card Sales**, note who the artist is (back of card). The money goes to the artist.

Receipt book, envelopes for cash and sales list etc are in the plastic sales box, in the meeting room.

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AWAS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

NSW Registration No: Y2486112

VIC Registration no: A00184040

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Please tick✓

- ☐ **Application for RENEWAL of existing membership**
- ☐ **Application for NEW membership.** Potential new members are encouraged to attend the studio on several visits, and introduce themselves before applying.

Nominated by member: _____

Signature: _____

Seconded by member: _____

Signature: _____

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name _____

Address _____

_____ P/C _____

Phone () _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

Media of interest for email purposes (please tick): ☐ Oil ☐ Watercolour

☐ Pastel ☐ Acrylic ☐ Mixed media

ARTIST'S DECLARATION

As a member of the Albury Wodonga Artists Society (AWAS) I agree to be bound by the rules of the Society.

- Artists will only submit their own original work.
- Compositions based on published material or other artists work are NOT considered original.

I certify that my works entered for exhibiting with the Albury Wodonga Artists Society are my original works and do not breach another artist's copyright or intellectual property.

Signature _____ Date: _____

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PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTION

Annual subscription is \$100, due from 1 July. Full time students under 25 years \$35.00. Please indicate your method of payment:

- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Cheque made payable to Albury Wodonga Artists Society.
- ☐ Paid online by bank transfer to BSB: 640000 Account No. 111256122, **reference SUBS and your name.**

Please post this form with payment to: The Treasurer, Albury Wodonga Artists Society, PO Box 1170 Wodonga VIC 3689 or alternatively email to awas@awartsoc.org.

