



ALBURY-WODONGA  
ARTISTS SOCIETY

# NEWSLETTER

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## SEPTEMBER 2021

A reminder photo of our studio at the Gateway.



Our NSW members have not seen this building for a while. This Spring photo was taken a few years ago, but thanks to Wodonga Council, flowers are blooming again this year in the garden area nearby and the riverbank is green and lined by gum trees. Blue wrens and other birdlife abound along the riverside walkway. A good time to visit the Gateway Village! As soon as we can, the current studio exhibition of Life drawing can be taken down. Members are invited to bring in their colourful Springtime paintings and fill our studio walls with new works for passers-by to view.

### **AWAS 2021 AGM: POSTPONED AGAIN PROPOSED NEW DATE: 2pm SUNDAY OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**

Members will be informed by email if plans once again have to be changed to comply with COVID restrictions. We still need members to volunteer to help in filling committee positions, not only to fulfil legal requirements, but we need input from new members with fresh ideas. Email your completed nomination form to the Secretary [kathleenbruce@bigpond.com](mailto:kathleenbruce@bigpond.com) or ring 02 6025 5913 with your nomination information.

### **AWAS MEMBERSHIP**

Most members have renewed their AWAS memberships for the 2021-22 Financial year. Hopefully members are enjoying preparing to exhibit their artworks at our Plant Farm exhibitions. Some have registered for the upcoming Watercolour workshop with Gordon Dickson. Details are included in this newsletter. Thank you all for continuing to support AWAS!

For All payments: HUME BANK: BSB: 640-000 Account No: 111256122.

*Cheques to: The Treasurer, Albury Wodonga Artists Society, PO Box 1170, Wodonga Vic. 3689. NB Annual membership is \$100.*

### **REGULAR AWAS EVENTS in SEPTEMBER**

Due to COVID restrictions scheduled meetings have been postponed and regular monthly Life Drawing and Portrait sessions have been cancelled. The Wodonga Plant Farm Café exhibition changeover to "Around the Water" on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm may still go ahead. Check with coordinator Tanya Healy ph 02 6056 2869 or email [tanyakerr188@gmail.com](mailto:tanyakerr188@gmail.com)

## WATERCOLOUR WORKSHOP with GORDON DICKSON 25-26<sup>th</sup> September.

### **“Brush up on the Fundamentals” - Watercolour Workshop with Gordon Dickson**

A two-day weekend workshop on watercolour landscapes will be held at the studio on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September, 9.30 – 4.00.

Gordon Dickson, who lives in Yackandandah, will be our tutor. If you go to Yackandandah visit his studio and gallery at the old garage at the Wodonga end of the main street – 2 High Street.

We will use one sheet of watercolour paper and do two quarter sheet paintings and four small (A5) paintings as well. Requirements will be minimal.

Please contact me ASAP if you intend to come so I can verify numbers and also I could order anything you may require.

The enrolment form is at the end of this newsletter.

Coordinator – Judy Balfour

Email: [jybalfour@outlook.com](mailto:jybalfour@outlook.com) 0439 953 903

*To view artworks by Gordon Dickson, Google his name and follow the links!*

*It is likely this workshop will be postponed, but please if you are keen to attend, register and contact Judy Balfour so your place is secured and you can be updated with any changes.*

## AWAS EXHIBITIONS – WODONGA PLANT FARM

The current exhibition is due to be taken down on Tuesday September 14<sup>th</sup> (at 2.30pm) and replaced with “Around the Water”. If this is still not possible, the current exhibition will continue.



*Here is a sample of works ready to hang in the “Around the Water” exhibition.  
(Artists: Christina Zey, Jan Pepper, Pat Welch, Marg Robins, Tony Smit and Tanya Healy.)*

## LOCKDOWN – SOMETHING TO DO

This article is for those members not quite familiar with the computer or lacking confidence looking up information.

Just open your usual internet site e.g., Google. Through Google you can search for lots of things to keep you well and truly occupied (or waste a lot of time – ha! ha!)

### **To purchase from the internet:**

1. You can give your credit card details (it's best to have a separate account with a limited amount of money available). Virtually all sites from reputable sellers are secure and this means you can have confidence your transaction will be safe.
2. In Australia you can usually place phone orders and give your details that way. You may have a phone plan that allows some international phone calls.
3. You can enter the subject e.g., Australian impressionism and all sorts of things will come up – images, information about the subject, artists, books, and galleries which exhibit these works etc.
4. Sellers will send you an email confirmation of your order and then usually send additional emails to let you know when the order is dispatched. Some also provided tracking for you to check delivery details.

### **To look for books:**

Enter the name and/or author and/or the ISBN of the book you are looking for. Many sellers' sites come up. There are lots of internet sites of businesses that sell books, both in Australia and overseas.

The Book Depository sells books freight free world-wide.

Other sites may provide freight free. Always check freight costs to compare the final price.

Sellers include – Amazon, Booktopia, Fishpond, Abebooks, Dymocks, Angus & Robertson, Collins.

### **To buy art supplies:**

Purchasing art supplies is easy, usually very prompt and delivered to your door. The sites are easy to negotiate so don't feel daunted.

There are international suppliers - Jackson's Art (UK), Dick Blick and Cheap Joes (USA). These will usually allow you to convert the cost to Australian dollars. Don't forget to check freight costs.

In Australia the sites that I have used are – The Art Shop, Bayswater (Melbourne), Senior Art Online (Melbourne,) The Art Scene (Sydney). Just Google art supplies Sydney or Melbourne (or anywhere else). Online suppliers are obviously cheaper than retail stores.

### **To look for information about art (and to entertain yourself):**

YouTube – Google YouTube and then add whatever you like e.g., art, acrylics, etc., or classes / tutorials – mostly free, the name of an artist.

An Australian program, "Colour in Your Life" is on YouTube and when you Google this, a long list of the programs comes up with the name of an artist. These programs are both an interview with the artist and a demonstration. The program runs for about 1 hour.

Also just enter a word e.g., watercolours or landscape art – really anything you think might be of interest. Information and images will come up.

Judy Balfour

### **MORE IDEAS FOR LOCKDOWN!**

- A great art film is "Maudie", Ethan Hawke and Sally Hawkins. The true story of a disabled folk artist in mid 20th century America, fabulous acting.
- Also the book "Renoir's Dancer, The secret life of Suzanne Valadon", herself a wonderful artist and her famous son. A muse for Renoir.

If you have some ideas for me to include in the next newsletter- please let me know.



## OTHER ARTY NEWS

Looking ahead to October, Murray Arts has informed Gateway tenants of their planned **"Limelight: ART-SCIENCE-LIGHT festival"** planned to take place at the Gateway from **6pm on Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. "A one-night only extravaganza of animated projections, fire sculptures, storytelling, interactive art experiences, food trucks and much more."

Wodonga's Senior celebrations Festival runs from October 3 to October 10. There may be events of interest you can attend. AWAS is not participating this year.

The impressive new Library and Art gallery in Wodonga "Hyphen" is completed and is sure to be a great asset to the community. All reports have been positive and the online photos of the interior look amazing.



Cartoon collages by Kylie Waldon. *What we will do after Covid (Postcards to her Mum!)*

**Committee positions and coordinators listed here to assist in your nominations.**

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## Watercolour Workshop 2021 Enrolment Form

**Artist: Gordon Dickson**  
***"Brush up on Fundamentals"***

***Date: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021***

Cost: \$160 - members & students. \$180– non-members. Deposit (50%) due Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> August. Balance due 10<sup>th</sup> September.

### YOUR DETAILS:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ PC \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: ☐ Deposit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Full payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method: ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque ☐ Direct Deposit - Bank/Internet

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please advise Workshop Co-ordinator ASAP and the Treasurer when you have made payment.***

**NB: No cash payments – either send a cheque or pay electronically.**

Co-ordinator: Judy Balfour  
Email: [jybalfouroutlook.com](mailto:jybalfouroutlook.com) Mobile: 0439 953 903

Treasurer – Tony Smit [ajs48@bigpond.com](mailto:ajs48@bigpond.com)

***Mailing -Please include enrolment form and cheque***

Postal Address: The Treasurer, P.O. Box 1170, Wodonga Vic. 3689

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Account name: Albury Wodonga Artist Society  
BSB: 640 000  
Account Number: 111256122

***IMPORTANT information required when completing Internet banking transactions so that the Treasurer knows who has paid and what for.***

**In the REMITTER part - put your NAME in as a reference on your payment**

**In the DESCRIPTION part –GDJB**

## AWAS NOMINATION FORM FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Please note that each nomination must be countersigned by the person being nominated.

I wish to nominate the following persons for the position of:

Position	Nomination	Signature of Nominated Person
President		
Vice-President		
Secretary		
Treasurer		
Newsletter Editor (Committee Member 1)		
Committee Member 2		
Committee Member 3		

Name of Submitting Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Seconding Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_