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AWAS CHRISTMAS 2021!



**The annual AWAS Christmas function will be held at
The Wodonga Plant Farm Café.**

**Come for Coffee and Cake 2.30pm Tuesday 14th
December.**

Perhaps you will come earlier for lunch?
Bring your "Summer Sale" paintings to hang in the café as
we have the scheduled changeover that day.

All members and partners are invited, even if you are not exhibiting your artwork. (We do not have a group booking, we share the café with others.) The nursery has a range of gift ideas- you can do some Christmas shopping at the same time.

AWAS EVENTS IN DECEMBER

Wodonga Plant Farm Garden Gallery Café

Exhibition Changeover and Christmas event December 14th "Summer Sale."

Paintings are to be priced to the limit of \$150.00. It's a chance to sell older works still at home, or decorative artworks suitable for gifts. The current exhibition "Around the Water" can be transferred to the AWAS studio at Gateway Village, to be part of another AWAS exhibition to be hung the next day for the Christmas/new Year period.

AWAS Studio, Gateway Village

Life Drawing Session with model: Saturday December 4th 1-4pm

Portraits Session (cancelled this month- usually 3rd Saturday of the month)

Hanging studio Exhibition (with "Around the Water" works from Plant farm): Wednesday 15th December.

Christmas Market Open studio afternoon: Thursday 23rd Dec. 3-7pm (Farmers market)

AWAS MEETINGS JANUARY and FEBRUARY

Committee Meeting at the studio: **Wednesday January 19th**
General Meeting at the studio: **Wednesday February 16th**

AWAS AT THE STUDIO

Covid Safety in the studio:

The workshop coordinator needs to see your double vaccination certificate and you need to bring a face mask in case you need to use it. Drop sheets spaced out in the studio for your work area are used so that we maintain social distancing.

LIFE DRAWING DECEMBER 4TH 1pm to 4pm

Please come early to set up your work space as we start promptly at 1pm. Book in with Olga by texting on 0447770735 or by email. Bookings need to be done early: sufficient numbers are needed to cover modelling costs.

JANUARY IS A GREAT TIME TO GET DRAWING IN AIR-CONDITIONED COMFORT!

Friday 7th January to Monday 10th January: 4 days of Life Drawing with a model.

Saturday 15th January (1pm to 4pm): Portrait session with a model.

- **The 4-Day Life Drawing Marathon Friday 7th January to Monday 10th January.**

Bookings essential.

We will have 3 sessions on Friday and Sunday: 9am-12pm, 1pm-4pm, 6pm-9pm.

We will have 2 sessions on Saturday and Monday: 9am-12pm, 1pm-4pm.

You can choose as many sessions as you like.

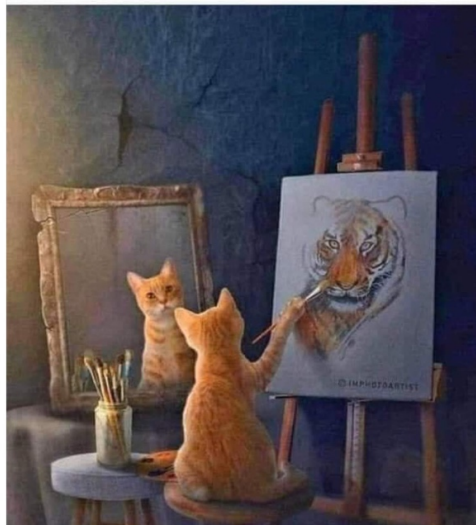
Please try to book in at the end of December so Olga has an indication of numbers and can be sure to have all sessions able to go ahead. Ideally, book 10 days ahead.

When you have booked, Olga will email you a timetable of the models so you can choose your sessions.

- **Portraits Drawing/Painting**

Usually 3rd Saturday of the month. As it is so close to Christmas, there will be no portrait session in December. Next Portrait session is **Saturday 15th January**.

Cat: Yep, nailed it



AWAS EXHIBITIONS at WODONGA PLANT FARM CAFÉ 2022

Next year's Exhibition themes...

Feb.8 Country Life April 12 Autumn Tones
June 14 Still Life August 9 Faces and Figures
Oct 11 Spring Season December 13 Summer Sale

*Painting in current Plant Farm exhibition
by Laurie Gay*



WORKSHOP REPORT: WATERCOLOUR WORKSHOP-ADDITIONAL DAY

A two-day watercolour workshop with **Gordon Dickson** was held on **23rd and 24th October**. This was so successful participants asked for an **additional one-day workshop on Friday 19th November**. We therefore had a bit of time to practice what we learnt on the first workshop and then reinforce and further the techniques. Also, we had lots of questions to ask Gordon from our “homework”. Again, it was a very valuable experience and a lot of fun.

WORKSHOPS NEXT YEAR

For 2022 I plan to have a workshop with Steve McCall from Bright and I'm trying to organise an acrylic weekend workshop as well.

Members, Please give any suggestions for

: Tutors you would like to work with

: Mediums (maybe a mixed media)

: Subject matter

Thank you to everyone who attended workshops this year – we managed to have 3 two-day workshop and a one-day. Wonderful considering lockdowns and border closures.

Judy Balfour

Workshop Coordinator

OTHER ARTY NEWS

Christmas at the Gateway Village

The City of Wodonga Events Team has organized the installation of Festive lights at Gateway Village in the area near Hothouse Theatre. They have also organized **Wodonga Brass Band to play Christmas music in the Village courtyard on Saturday December 18th 10am to 11.30 am**. This is one of very few opportunities we have had to promote the Arts Precinct this year: it would be great to have an appreciative audience and perhaps some members of the public wandering through our studio exhibition that day!

The Murray Sanctuary Refugee Group would love to receive more paintings for their postponed charity auction, now to be held next year. The organizers are thrilled with the standard of artworks that have been donated, many by our members. If you have one you are working on, or would like to participate, there is plenty of time now before the event. The original artist needs to be famous enough for the public to recognize the image; and for you to comply with copyright laws, to be deceased for 100 years.

Bright Art Gallery Summer Exhibition: 4th December – 31st January 10.00 – 4.00
Thursday to Monday. (Closed from 21 Dec – 2 January). Works from a few AWAS members are included and it will be quite a large exhibition. Included are paintings (all mediums) and an extensive section of wonderful glass works. All created by local artists.

Changes to our locking system: the installation of a number keypad makes the current keys obsolete. Members have been informed of the details by email. If you did not receive this access information, please ring Tony Smit (Treasurer) or me, Kathy Bruce (Secretary).

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All membership subscription payments going forward this financial year will be \$75.

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