



ALBURY - WODONGA
ARTISTS SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

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Regular sessions		
Sat 5 th March	Life Drawing 1 – 4pm	Coordinator: Olga Juskiw
Sat 12 th March	Acrylic/Mixed Media group 10 - 4pm	Coordinator: Jill Scanlon
Sat 19 th March	Portraits session 1 – 4pm	Coordinator: J Hoban
Wednesdays. Tues, Thurs, Fri, Most Sat am. Sunday.	“Social group”. Paint / Chat. All members are welcome. Daily access for members.	Informal.
Meetings		
Wed 16 th March	Committee Meeting 1 pm	Secretary: K Bruce
Special Events		
5 th March	Life Drawing “Wine up”. (End of exhibition.) For participants, after the drawing session.	Coordinator: Olga Juskiw
25 th March	Registration and deposits due for the Acrylic workshop (May) with Craig Penny	Coordinator: Judy Balfour.
WODONGA PLANT FARM CAFÉ EXHIBITION The current exhibition (Country Life) continues.	Changeover next month	Coordinator: Tanya Healy

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

AWAS MEMBERSHIP 2022

Welcome to recent new members: Susie Scott, Marion Sharman, Gillian McDonald, Anne Sands.
We currently have 65 financial members.

The Information booklet for members contains information about exhibiting artwork with AWAS, copyright, Health and Safety information plus more. It will be updated with information about the new keypad added and then sent to new members. A copy will be available in the library.

If you wish to have a copy emailed to you, send your request to:

Jill Scanlon kevin.scalon@bigpond.com or the secretary kathleenbruce@bigpond.com

ARE YOU UP-TO-DATE WITH YOUR AWAS SUBS?

For all payments to AWAS please use this Hume account number:

BSB: 640-000 Account No: 111256122

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

If unsure, check with our Treasurer Tony Smit. Ph 0438 402 499 or email ajs48@bigpond.com

As annual membership is due at the beginning of the financial year, for those joining after January 1st, half the annual membership can be made. Some special exceptions can be made in consultation with the committee. If you are not financial this year you will need to fill in an application for membership form for the next year, beginning in July 2022.

STUDIO NEWS

- New signs have been posted on the Studio door bringing visitors' attention to safety issues entering the studio/gallery. These arose as the AWAS committee considered issues about public (and AWAS members') safety: tripping and other hazards in the studio, as well as current COVID recommendations regarding vaccination certificates.
- Excess art books in the studio: We have limited space! Consequently we need to be very selective with donated books. Excess books will be offered to members free and also made available to Cynthia Stuart who is establishing an art library at Mitta.

STUDIO EXHIBITION: Life Drawing exhibition Closes.

Members have appreciated the work of the Coordinators Judy Balfour and Olga Juskiw in running workshops in the last 6 months and organizing the really informative post workshop exhibitions.

The Life Drawing exhibition ends March 5th. Jill Scanlon and helpers will be hanging the next studio exhibition on Wednesday 9th March and ask members to bring in their artworks (any theme and art medium) for our studio display for the next two months.

AWAS MEMBERS EXHIBITION 2022

After some discussion at our General Meeting last month it was felt that we should have an annual members' exhibition this year, keeping the criteria broad to cater for many interests- so the most acceptable suggestion for a title for publicity was:

"The 2022 AWAS Annual Members' Exhibition."

The date will be set by the committee- the suggestion was late winter, perhaps mid -September, avoiding Life Drawing (1st weekend of the month), and the AGM.

Artworks- Max. size 1sq metre. They must not have been displayed in any AWAS exhibitions before. They must not be a work done during a TUTORED workshop. Art works are to be labelled on the back with artist's contact details, title, art medium and price and be ready to hang.

As the exhibition is to be open to the public and advertised, the studio must be open and manned for the advertised dates and times. Exhibitors must be prepared to take their turn in being placed on the duty roster and conduct sales.

When pricing your artwork, in addition to the value of the artwork itself, add in the cost of the frame and the commission to those organising the exhibition. AWAS policy is that the 15% commission applies to artworks in both studio and plant Farm venues, except when the item is valued \$30 or under (mostly cards).

WODONGA PLANT FARM CAFÉ EXHIBITIONS

The changeover at the Plant Farm exhibition occurs in the 2nd week of April.

Bring in your "Autumn Tones" work on that Tuesday to the Wodonga Plant Farm, not before 2.30pm.

Date From	Date to	Title
8 th Feb 2022	12 th Apr 2022	"COUNTRY LIFE"
12 th April	14 th June 2022	"AUTUMN TONES"
14 th June 2022	9 th August 2022	"STILL LIFE"
9 th August 2022	11 th Oct 2022	"FACES AND FIGURES"
11 th Oct 2022	13 th Dec 2022	"SPRING SEASON"
13 Dec 2022	14 th Feb 2023	"SUMMER SALE"

ART EVENTS IN OUR AREA

The Tastes of Rutherglen Art Exhibition 11th -20th March: Rutherglen Memorial Hall, 150 High St Rutherglen. Entries closed on Feb 11th. Art from our region and afar! Some of our members have entries. Terri Friesen can take your artworks to and from Rutherglen if they are left at the Studio prior to Monday the 7th March.

Text her on 0402732654 if you wish to arrange this.

A newly formed group in our area, **the Albury Wodonga Urban Sketchers**, will be drawing at various local places on 12 March & 10 April. In our correspondence with MAMA- they will be meeting at MAMA as their "Sketch Club" 11am to 12pm on the 1st Friday of each month. Cost for this activity at MAMA is free. They have also contacted us directly by email. More details of their activities are on Facebook.

More paintings needed! The postponed **Famous Fakes Charity auction** new date is: Saturday 22nd October 2022 at Splinter's Creek Community Centre. They welcome more donated paintings to offer to the bidders keen to donate to the Murray Valley Sanctuary Refugee Group. For details about our participation in this event, contact the AWAS secretary.

Gallery 294 in Corowa. You are invited to enter artwork in the upcoming Gallery 294 AUTUMN EXHIBITION to be held from Saturday 26th March until Saturday 30th April.

This is a multi media, 2D or 3D exhibition. You may enter 1 or 2 works. Entry forms from Marg Wilmot 0419 295 907. Submit entries by 21st March.

Hyphen, Wodonga. A fabulous exhibition called **Biosphere is a collaborative work between local artists Abi Thompson and Helen Newman**. Abi's framed collages "**Creature Comforts**" in the Hallway Gallery are wonderful! They are used in digital projections in the nearby gallery space installation featuring film and 3D fibre works. The installation theme is growth, degradation and regeneration within various natural environments.

ADFAS lecture program 2022 begins this month. **3rd March:** Quiltmaker Jenny Bowker at the Butter Factory. Her lecture will cover her amazing experiences preserving traditional textile arts and improving the lives of artisans in Cairo. Cost \$20.

Monday 21st March: Leigh Capel. Australian Women Artists.

Annual membership ADFAS: Contact Tony Keys 0432812831 or murrayriver@adf.org.au

ACRYLIC WORKSHOP WITH CRAIG PENNY: at the Studio

ACRYLIC WORKSHOP – May 28 and 29

Craig Penny, a well-established professional artist from Melbourne, will be our tutor for this weekend workshop. The theme will be “Water in the Landscape”.

This will be return trip to AWAS for Craig as we had a highly successful workshop with him in July 2018. He is a wonderful tutor with experience both here and internationally. It will be a privilege to have him here again.

Two keys to Craig’s work are:

- His wonderful use of bold colours.
- His expressive mark making, with sweeping broad brushstrokes.

We will be painting on canvas and for many members that will be all you need to buy – there will be recommended sizes. There is no need to buy paints as Craig just says bring whatever you have, and he is happy to share his paints as well.

Please send your expression of interest ASAP to Judy Balfour. Deposits required on 25th March.

Check out Craig’s inspiring works on his website www.craigpennyart.com.au

Judy Balfour

Workshop co-ordinator jybalfour@outlook.com 0439 953 903

See examples of his paintings below:

Here you can readily see those glowing colours and masterful brushstrokes.



Acrylics Workshop Enrolment Form

*Artist: Craig Penny**Date: Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th May 2022*

Cost: \$160 - members & students. \$180– non-members. Deposit: \$80 by 25th March.
Balance \$80 by 15th April (or pay the full amount by 25th March). Payment details are given below.

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: jybalfour@outlook.com Phone: 0439 953 903 (call or message)Treasurer – Tony Smit ajs@48@bigpond.com***Mailing -Please include enrolment form and cheque***

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

Electronic banking:

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 – “CPJB”***

This is the current committee.

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Not exactly in our area, but at the National Museum in Canberra there is an exhibition celebrating Ancient Greek Art and Culture. Along with the annual amazing balloon festival. A good time to visit.



Ben Butterworth