



ALBURY-WODONGA
ARTISTS SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

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MAY 2022

Regular sessions		
Sat May 7th	Life Drawing 1 – 4pm	Coordinator: Olga Juskiw
Sat May 14th	Acrylic/Mixed Media group 10 - 4pm	Coordinator: Jill Scanlon
Sat May 21st	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 May 18th	Committee Meeting 1 pm	Secretary: K Bruce
Special Events		
ACRYLIC WORKSHOP Saturday and Sunday 28 th and 29 th May	Acrylic workshop (28/29 May) with tutor Craig Penny NOTE THAT STUDIO ACCESS IS LIMITED FOR NON-PARTICIPANTS DURING WORKSHOPS	Coordinator: Judy Balfour.
WODONGA PLANT FARM CAFÉ EXHIBITION	“Autumn Tones” Continues until June 8th	Coordinator: Tanya Healy

AWAS Membership

More members are coming back to the studio and new work is appearing on the studio walls in addition to our Café exhibitions at Wodonga Plant Farm. While it is good to get back together again, COVID has not disappeared: please remember to socially distance and take other recommended precautions to keep us all healthy. Masks will help keep the flu away as well during the winter months.

- The balance for registration for the Craig Penny Workshop was due 15th April.
- The annual membership subscriptions will be due the end of next month.
- **For all payments to AWAS: Hume BSB: 640-000 Account No: 111256122 (Ref: your NAME)**
Cheques: Albury Wodonga Artists Society, PO Box 1170, Wodonga. Victoria 3689.

AWAS Exhibitions



Terri Friesen



Laurie Gay

The April Hanging of "Autumn Tones" at the Garden Gallery Café, Wodonga Plant Farm



Tony Smit

Thank you to members who helped put this exhibition together especially those who stepped in to do the labelling Heather usually does for us so efficiently.

The Autumn Tones" Exhibition will be replaced on Tuesday 14th June with "Still Life".

Also thank you to members who brought in paintings for our current studio display at the Gateway. All work needs to be removed from the studio before the workshop at the end of May. New paintings and those done in the Acrylic workshop can replace the current work.

2022 Annual Exhibition: September, possibly Friday 16th Opening. Theme/Title: we still would appreciate some suggestions for an interesting title.

Please get busy painting something for the Annual Exhibition in September.



Kathy Blakemore

This will be restricted to paintings that have not been exhibited before.

Labels: Title, the medium used, price and your contact details.

Size: Maximum dimension 1 metre

Exhibition details will go into the monthly Newsletters.



Tanya Healy

AWAS AGM Sunday 31st July 2022 2pm

AGM- New committee members are needed! Points from our last General Meeting:

- The AWAS committee only formally meets once every second month- just 6 times per year.
 - *(but we usually are there for the General meetings on alternate months as well)*
- Most of the business is dealt with by email: quicker and easier.
- Non-committee members share the exhibition and other tasks, so those taking on official roles are not doing all the organising. We just need to have names in allocated committee roles to keep us legal as an incorporated club. The most pressing vacancy will be the role of President.
- Pauline Farries volunteered to become involved coordinating workshops and our retiring President offered to remain on the committee. Thanks Pauline and Terri!
- Suggestions are invited from other members to assist in executive roles- the Treasurer and Secretary both need “assistants” with a view to stepping into those roles when needed.

ACRYLIC WORKSHOP May 28th and 29th: fully booked

Visiting Tutor: Craig Penny “Water in the Landscape”.

Details and registration form were in previous newsletters.

If you still want to attend, contact the coordinator to go on the waiting list (in case of cancellations).

Workshop coordinator:

jybalfour@outlook.com 0439 953 903

Here is just one example of Craig Penny's works:

You can readily see those glowing colours and masterful brushstrokes.



AWAS exhibition at Wodonga Plant Farm Café.

The Current exhibition “Autumn Tones” continues, to be followed by “Still Life” 14th June.

Bring work in, ready to hang, not before 2.30pm please.

REPORT: “LIMELIGHT” FESTIVAL held 9th April at Gateway



Limelight. Saturday April 9th. This was an entertaining family evening event, with very effective light projections, and apparently the lantern workshop was well attended by a lot of enthusiastic children. To view all installations participants needed to walk a trail to discover a variety of sculptures. We had quite a few studio visitors, as did Gigs. Tanya sold a painting and some cards were sold.

It appears it is a worthwhile event for us to have our doors open and prepare for sales in future years.

Just on sunset near our studio before the Limelight Festival began...

Thank you to Nonie McClelland for her photos of April events and AWAS members featured in this month's newsletter.

THE FAMOUS FAKES CHARITY ART AUCTION

The Murray Valley Sanctuary Refugee Group (MVSRG) initiated this art auction in 2019. The Albury Wodonga group is affiliated with the Australia-wide Sanctuary Refugee Foundation. They sponsor and help families and individuals from refugee camps around the world to settle into our community. This fund-raising auction is just one of the activities they are involved in.

We were invited to take part in this event way back in 2019, and some of our members have submitted works for this event which has been postponed throughout the pandemic.

The new date is October 22nd 2022.

They have put in a call for more paintings, so this is a chance to get back into painting by studying the masters! Choose an easily recognisable artwork by a famous artist (must be deceased). 3D works can be also submitted. Size limit 76.2x91.4cm (30"x36"). The finished work needs to be framed and will be donated, so keep this in mind when deciding on size and framing.

For more details contact me, Kathy Bruce, AWAS Secretary 02 6025 5913

The Current AWAS Committee

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OTHER ART EVENTS

At the Gateway:

"SISTERS" This exhibition at Gigs will feature works by 10 local artists, one of whom is Christina Zey, also an AWAS member.

Currently they have an exhibition titled "Something Big" - all large works. It closes 14th May

Elsewhere:

"PENTIMENTO" Exhibition of Art works by Terry Batt.

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Remember to check out current exhibitions at MAMA in Albury and HYPHEN in Wodonga.