



Montague Art & Craft Society Inc.

MACS NEWS

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From the President

The Cottage Gallery and Studio have had a coat of fresh paint, and the shelves and plinths are sparkling white - just waiting for members to bring in new artworks to exhibit. The feature wall adds a real lift to the area - many thanks to Joy and her team of helpers. The shared space had accumulated a lot in the ten years MACS has been at the Cottage and a lot of art, craft, and good humour have happened there.

MACS members' Library at the cottage has also had a makeover and been made more user-friendly for members to use and to borrow art and craft books or magazines.

Amongst all the clearing out and painting, the workshops and groups are still meeting and exhibitions are happening, and the six-week Painting Short Courses continue to be booked out. Some MACS members spent a fun time sewing with our local Djaardjawan Dance Group before their big NAIDOC Week Event. We are looking forward to the PCYC Children's Art Program starting on 20 July, and still have space for a couple of tutors.

I hope you will take advantage of the Exhibitions (listed on page 4) that our Exhibition Team makes available for you. They are a wonderful opportunity to show your new work, at no cost and no obligation to mind them.

Looking forward to seeing lots of new artwork,

*Irene Berry
President*



And the whales are still heading north

MACS offers:

- a place for members to work together in creative groups
- workshops for members to upgrade and diversify their skills
- opportunities for members to exhibit their work

Notice of Meetings
to be held at 4.15pm on Tuesday 8 August
at the Studio-Cottage at 92 Campbell Street, Narooma

1. Special General meeting - to approve a new object and the updated Constitution in line with changes to the Associations Incorporations Act 2016.
2. Annual General Meeting - to elect a committee for 2017-2018
3. Ordinary General Meeting - to report to members

From the Committee

Welcome to new members:

Diana Blakeman, Linda Fernihough, Isidro Solla, John Blackman, Judy Blackman, and John Ramsay.

And welcome to the three new Friends of VIC-volunteers at the Visitor Centre.

Nomination Forms are being sent out again for the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 8 August 2017. There are only nine positions and a few forms have already been submitted, so be quick.

We encourage new members to volunteer for either committee or non-committee jobs. It is a great way to become involved and there will be plenty of guidance from experienced members.

There are fewer visitors at Narooma Visitor Centre at present so this is a good time of the year to start as a volunteer and learn the job during the quiet time. Remember, there is always one trained staff member on duty so the volunteer duties are largely meet-and-greet. That first "Hello, can I help you with anything" (and the special Narooma-smile

that goes with it) are often the first impression visitors have of Narooma.

The PCYC Children's Art Program for Primary School-aged children starts on Thursday 20 July at the Cottage-Studio. The classes are at 4.15pm for one hour, and the PCYC tutor will always be in attendance. Some MACS members have already volunteered to be tutors and a few more would be welcome.

Would a member like to volunteer to mind the Cottage-Studio on Tuesday mornings. If you can do a shift even each fortnight that would be great. All other times are covered, mostly by groups working in the studio.

MACS is now having exhibitions in several different venues so the Committee discussed the idea of making all exhibitions consistently and recognisably linked to MACS. Therefore publicity materials using the "paint drips" logo will be used for all MACS exhibitions. Templates have been prepared for DL leaflets, A4 and A3 posters, so it will be easy to adapt them to each exhibition.

What's On in the Studio

Oil Painting

a 2-day workshop with Alan Slade

9.30am to 4pm on the weekend

9 and 10 September 2017

The fee is \$100.

A materials list will be provided.

This Course is filling fast so be quick.

Pastel Course

starting 25 July is fully booked

Introduction to Ceramics

with Kerry Gray

at 10am on Thursday 13 July

This workshop is for
MACS Mosaics Group

A Short Course may follow
for making, glazing, and firing
tiles for Mosaics

Contact is Judy Gordon 4476 7512

Acrylic Painting Short Course

10 October until 14 November 2017

\$75 for six weeks

Tuesday afternoons

Explore acrylic paints and mediums
with Margaret Moran

The fee for Cottage Use is \$2 for members and \$5 for visitors (for two visits before joining)

Monday 10am	Monday 1pm	
Books - <i>weeks 1 and 3</i> Felting - <i>weeks 2 and 4</i> <i>Adrienne 0409 323 515</i>	Knit-Wits Knit, crochet, sew, or chat	
Tuesday 10am	Tuesday 1pm	
	Watercolour <i>Margaret 0427 208 504</i>	
Wednesday 10am	Wednesday 1pm	
Plein air - weather permitting <i>Judy 4476 7512</i>	Mahjong <i>Chris Knox 4476 5584</i>	
Thursday 10am	Thursday 1pm	Thursday 4.15pm
Drawing and Painting <i>- weeks 1 and 3</i>	Watercolour and Pastel <i>each week except week 2</i>	Children's Art program PCYC - starts 20 July
Mosaics <i>weeks 2 and 4</i>	Chinese Brush <i>week 2</i>	
Friday 10am	Friday 1pm	
Life drawing \$10 for two hours	Studio is available for use by members	



Exhibitions

MACS now has several regular Exhibition Venues and MACS Exhibition Team members like to move artworks between venues to give members' work maximum exposure and to keep the exhibition in each venue fresh and changing. It also helps to fill gaps when work sells.

However, it became difficult and time-consuming to administer rosters, so Committee made the decision to separate exhibiting from doing roster duty.

The following Exhibitions are for **all MACS members** and **no roster duty** is required.

All sales will be at 20% commission, including distance members.

Criteria for exhibiting at Narooma Visitor Centre are still: smallish, local theme, saleable. Members wishing to exhibit at the Centre should talk with the Managers Kris Macauley or Colin Berry.

Exhibitions for all MACS members

July 1	MACS Cottage Gallery - deliver new work to the Cottage ASAP.
July 20	Narooma Library - deliver new work to the Library at 10am on 20 July or to the cottage before then. Preferred size is small to medium.
August 1	Narooma Visitor Centre - take new work to the Visitor Centre by 1 August. New exhibitors please discuss with the Managers Christine Macauley and/or Colin Berry.
September 1	Tilba Winery - take new work to the Winery at 10am on Friday 1 September. Artwork with the theme Spring will be especially welcome for a feature wall. Suitable for large work but any size will be accepted.
October 5	SoArt Gallery - for MACSMEN members - a men only exhibition.

Exhibitions of individual MACS members

July 10-28	Robyn Woodward is featured at Narooma Library
July 19	Robyn Woodward talks about her art at Narooma Library - 2 to 3 pm
September 21 to 26	Anne-Maree Kape and Heather May <i>Silk 'n Stones</i> at SoArt Gallery
September 28 to October 4	Toni Higgins at SoArt Gallery