

Montague Art & Craft Society Inc.

MACS NEWS April 2017



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From the President

It seems this is another month for breaking records. I have the pleasure of welcoming seventeen new members to MACS and I know some of you are already working with studio groups and exhibiting your work.

And I look forward to seeing the record-breaking 230 Easter Exhibition entries at the Official Opening on Friday 14 April. Also MACS members have an exhibition at Tilba Winery, Opening at 6pm on Friday 31 March, and from 13 April Works on or with Paper by MACS members at SoArt Gallery.

The call has gone out for Volunteers to help with the Easter Exhibition. There are a variety of jobs and something to suit everyone from heavy lifting to serving drinks. If you are a new member this is a great way to join in and get to know people.

Studio work is starting to appear on the walls and in a cabinet at the cottage, and I am particularly pleased to see members putting up work that is not perfect - work that is part of the wonderful journey we make in creative groups where we feel safe to explore.

Do call at the Visitor Centre and go through the Visitor Book. It is not your usual one-line comment in a ruled book. No, it is a piece of art in itself with colourful positive comments from local, interstate, and international visitors. It is the best kind of tribute to the Volunteers, Staff, and Managers at the Centre.

And thank you Denise and Joy for keeping our Cottage shared space fresh and tidy, and for opening the window to the gallery.

Irene Berry President



Official Opening and Awards Presentation Friday 14 April 5.30pm for 6pm

What's on

| Until April 17 | Gallery Bodalla - Cheryl Davison |
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| March 24-May 31 | Archibald Prize finalists at Bega Regional Gallery |
| March 31 | MACS at Tilba Winery Opening 6pm |
| April 13-17 | MACS Works on or with Paper Exhibition at SoArt Gallery |
| April 14-17 | MACS Easter Exhibition at Narooma Leisure Centre |
| April 14-16 | Camera Club Exhibition at Club Narooma |
| April 15 | Art Auction at Art Central Moruya |
| May 19-30 | River of Art Finalists at SoArt Gallery |
| June 1-13 | Eccentric Accessories at SoArt Gallery |
| June | Ro Farrell at Narooma Library |

MACS at Narooma Library

MACS continues its exhibition of members' artwork at Narooma Library

Also MACS members are featured in

Art in the Libraries:

March Giovanni Carrus

June Ro Farrell

July Robyn Woodward

Works on or with Paper

Exhibition for MACS members at SoArt Gallery

13 to 17 April 2017 entry fee \$5 per artist for any number of artworks

the usual 20% commission to MACS will apply

deliver works to SoArt Gallery at 10am on Wednesday 12 April





MACS at the Winery
Local artists exhibiting a diversity of
approach in an exciting
Colour Parade
1st—30th April 2017
Tilba Valley Winery
947 Old Highway Narooma NSW
You are invited to attend the
opening on
Friday 31st March at 6pm



Welcome to new members

Julie Lark Anne Spires Alan Nicol Lydia Morton Janet Smith Carolyn Low Sara Hellsing Indigo Murray Ruby Hodder Anna Simpson Gaye Tuckwell Lynne O'Connor Natalie Cartwright Lorraine Brownlee Shirley Anne Myers Barbara Swinbourne Mahlia Smith-Macpherson

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

From the Committee

The Cottage Studio Roster is now filled on weekdays, and there are working groups morning and afternoon every day except Friday afternoon. Perhaps a member would like to convene a group then.

The Committee decided that, for the time being, the Cottage opening hours will be Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm. On Saturdays and Sundays the Cottage is

closed to the public but still available for members' use.

The Library at the Cottage will, for the time being, be operating on an honour system unless a member would like to volunteer to oversee it.

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

MACS vision for the future

- to remain an independent organisation
- to maintain open studio space
- to maintain permanent exhibition space
- to provide storage space for assets and equipment
- to maintain financial independence
- to provide the arts community with a drop-in centre
- to provide unlimited member access to premises
- to have access to kitchen facilities
- to provide artists with independent studio space



Regular groups and classes

Macs members are welcome to join in
Visitors are welcome to call in
The fee for cottage usage and tea/coffee
is \$2 for members and \$5 for visitors (for two visits).
For most groups no other fee is payable.

| Monday 10am | Monday 1pm |
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| Books and Writing Find your inner poet Beginners welcome each fortnight | Knit-Wits Learn to knit or crochet with this friendly group or BYO |
| Tuesday 10am | Tuesday 1pm |
| Felting for fun starter kits for beginners Contact is Irene 4476 5432 | Drawing with Marg Moran then Watercolour from 6 May Contact is Margaret 0427 208 504 |
| Wednesday 10am | Wednesday 1pm |
| Plein air group (weather permitting) Draw or paint on-site Contact is Judy Gordon 4476 7512 | Mahjong Play or learn <i>Contact is Chris Knox 4476 5584</i> |
| Thursday 10am | Thursday 1pm |
| Drawing and Painting explore with Ro each fortnight | Water and Dry media watercolour and pastel each week except week 2 |
| Mosaics Guidance and starter kits for beginners each fortnight | Chinese Brush Beginners welcome or just call in Week 2 |
| Friday 10am | Friday 1pm |
| Life drawing with a model \$10 for two hours with this friendly group | |