



# Montague Art and Craft Society Inc

## Newsletter July 2023

### President's Report



Hello Everyone,  
I would like to start this month's newsletter by sending sincere condolences, on behalf of the MACS committee and MACS members, to Janet Jones on the passing of her husband Howard.

Janet is a treasured member of MACS who has made a very large contribution in volunteering her time and expertise, in particular her life drawing group on Fridays.

Janet is taking a break over Winter and we and those who work closely with her look forward to seeing her back again very soon.

I hope those who could, went along and admired the exhibit in the SoART Gallery of Audrey Coxhill's textile art and embroidery. Audrey lives in Mystery Bay and the exhibition of her work was astonishing to say the least.

Well done to Joanne Junor and her helper Cath, they put together a very interesting exhibition of Audrey's twenty-seven years of work.

An amazing hobby, her embroidery features meticulous and colourful stitching. Her concept was inspired by the styles and colours of ancient Egypt, the Renaissance, Celtic and the Medieval arts.

We have many interesting people in our area, and Audrey is just one of them!

Don't forget our exhibition coming up on 15 to 17 September, I hope your exhibits are coming along well.



Judy Glover is also taking a break over Winter and her textile group will be advised as soon as she is back from her trip to warmer climes.

MACS members who would like to join this group please contact [macsartnarooma@gmail.com](mailto:macsartnarooma@gmail.com).

Julie Hartley  
President MACS  
Narooma



## What's On - July 2023

### MACS STUDIO

#### Mondays

Stained Glass (Leadlighting) Group  
with Bob Burnside



Every second Monday morning 10 – 12

#### Tuesdays

#### TEXTILES

In Recess for Winter



Textiles with Judy Glover from 10:00 am

#### Wednesdays

#### Mornings -

Mosaics with Judy Gordon  
10:00 to 1:00 pm



#### Ceramics with Donna Goulding



Donna will guide you in the fun process of creating, drying, glazing, firing, painting and re-glazing with use of the MACS kiln and materials supplied.

Email [macsartnarooma@gmail.com](mailto:macsartnarooma@gmail.com) and Donna will contact you with details. Classes Wednesday mornings between 10:30 and 1 pm each week

## Fridays

Life Drawing with Janet Jones

In Recess for Winter

Friday mornings 10 – noon



## Featured Artist for July 2023,

Is long time MACS Member Gary Caldwell who reflects on the inspiration for these two paintings.

" Inside the Picture "....



"Blue painting is of Narooma and titled "Mill Bay Inlet Ghost Fishermen" as it is revealing night reflections, with outlines of friends long passed, eternally fishing.

In honour of my old fisher-mate Ron Gordon, whose last fishing expedition was from the boardwalk at Mill Bay.

He was the only successful angler that day.

Materials: Polymer Acrylic on linen."

"Second painting is;

"Memory of the shoreline after landing in the Kimberley".

Painted by memory after landing by boat from HMAS ASSAIL circa 1973.



Part of the patrol boat routine was to inspect various shore landing points and to go inland looking for visitors to the remote coast.

It was during the time of lots of refugees from Vietnam, and to search for camps often set up by illegal fishermen. The local Aboriginals became invaluable providing information on visitors to their tribal areas.

Polymer Acrylic on board,  
discovered in storage after arrival at Narooma."

Best Wishes Gary



Thanks to Rosy for this article from Gary and for the following images of local artist Ashweeni Mason during the children's workshops.

Rosy felt it was a good time to show our support during Australia's celebration of First Nations culture in this Naidoc Week.



*Ashweeni Mason working with the combined MACS and Narooma Library Children's Program.*

Here is the **plein air** program for the next few months.

## **NAROOMA URBAN SKETCHERS**

### **JUNE**

- 6** Boardwalk from Mill Bay - yachts  
**12+13** Boatshed 7 up from Salt Café, blue with red roof  
**19+20** Narooma wharf from Pilot Street  
**26+27** Casey's Café at rear

### **JULY**

- 3+4** Wallaga Lake Bridge  
**10+11** 77 Hobbs Road – turn right before Punkella  
Bridge  
**17+18** Bermagui boats  
**24+25** Brou Lake

### **AUGUST**

- 7+8** Henkley Farm  
**14+15** Central Tilba  
**21+22** Rocks on Big Rock Road, Bodalla SF  
**28+29** Tilba Tilba

### **SEPTEMBER**

- 4+5** Oyster sheds next to Salt Café  
**11+12** Narooma Bridge  
**18+19** Barn on "Wagonga" property 1km past Oyster  
Farmer Daughter  
**25+26** Henkley Farm

### **OCTOBER**

- 2+3** Anglican Church Bodalla  
**9+10** Ted Street Park  
**16+17** Handkerchief Beach  
**23+24** Poole's Beach  
**30+31** Salt Café Narooma



## Welcome to our July eNews,

From the Snowy Mountains to the Humpback Highway, we hope you're all rugged up out there and embracing the abundance of creative winter offerings across the spectacular Snowy Monaro, Bega Valley and Eurobodalla.

South East Arts are excited to announce that July 2023 brings the return of the **Olga Masters Short Story Award**.



With the continued support of the Masters family, the Award is administered by South East Arts, in partnership with South Coast Writers Centre, and Island Magazine.

The Award welcomes short story entries (2000 to 4000 words) on the theme of life in rural Australia, from writers of all ages resident in Australia. We are delighted to welcome Ben Walter and Kate Liston-Mills as our 2023 judges.

[Head to the website for entry guidelines and more information.](#)

Save the Dates! **Headland Writers Festival** returns to Tathra from 27-29 October 2023 . Headland Writers Festival is a celebration of reading, writing, sharing stories and indulging the mind.



Across three days in October, the spectacular Tathra Headland will serve as a backdrop to an abundance of author in-conversations, panels, workshops, poetry, theatre and music performances. [Early Bird tickets will be available from Monday 17 July.](#) More announcements coming soon!

In the lead-up to the Headland Festival, we'll be kicking off with a special event at Candelo Books presenting **Gary Lonesborough** launching his new book, *We Didn't Think It Through*. Come along for our Meet The Author/ Book Signing In-Store event at Candelo Books on Saturday 15 July from 10:30am - 12noon. The ticket price includes a signed copy of Gary's new book (available for collection on the day). [Find your tickets here.](#)

Looking for some school holiday action? **FLING Physical Theatre** provides awesome classes and programs for youth in our region. Utilise your Active & Creative Kids vouchers with FLING before they expire! Email the voucher number and your child's DOB to Gabby at [admin@flingphysicaltheatre.com.au](mailto:admin@flingphysicaltheatre.com.au) and visit them in their beautiful new home!

As usual we are here to assist and advise for all your funding and creative business needs. Check out the **Regional Arts Funding** link below and start planning your projects for 2024!

**Andrew, Laura, Jazz, Ashweeni, & Peter**



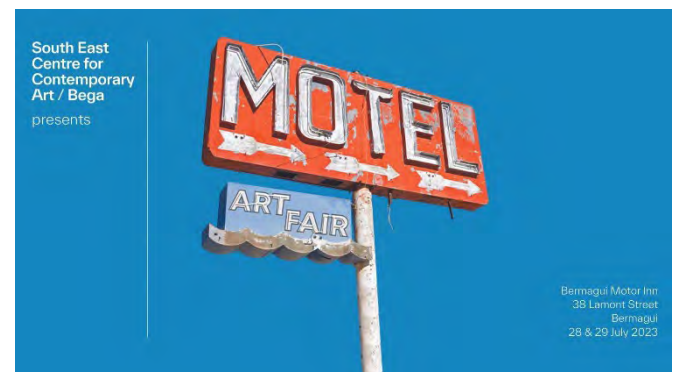
## Applications for Regional Arts Fund (RAF) Project Grants will officially open from 9am on July 3, 2023!



The Project Grants will fund high-quality arts projects benefitting regional or remote artists, arts workers, audiences and communities. The focus of the project could include any area of creative practice, multiple art forms or cross-disciplinary practice.

There have been some changes to this program, so please take time to read the guidelines. Apply for up to \$30,000! Regional Arts Fund (RAF) Project Grants will close on Monday, 14 August 2023 at midnight.

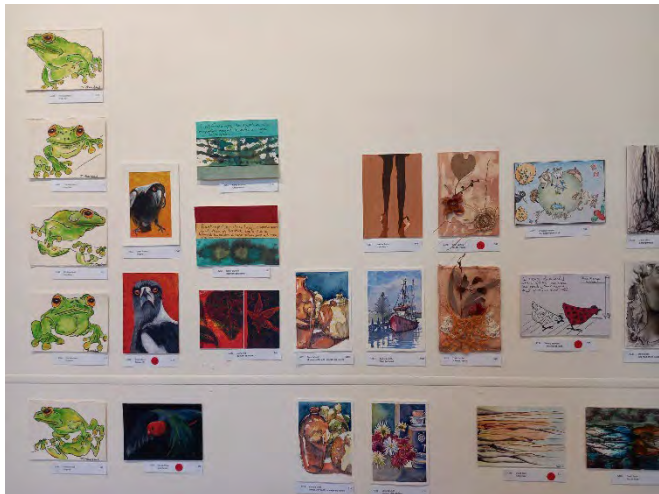
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**South East Centre for Contemporary Art (SECCA) Presents MOTEL Art Fair VIP Preview**  
**Fri 28th Jul 2023, 6:00 pm - 9:00pm, Bermagui Motor Inn**

An amazing one-off opportunity to meet and buy artworks from our local artists.

[TICKETS HERE](#)



**Plethora of Postcards Exhibition 2023. A Plethora of Postcards is on displayed on the walls of Spiral Gallery in Bega until July 18.**

Come and see more than 400 postcard-sized artworks and vote for your favourite postcard for the People's choice award.

Spiral Gallery opening hours are:  
Monday to Friday 10am – 4pm, and Saturday 10am – 1pm.

For questions please contact the Spiral Postcard Team: [spiralpostcards@gmail.com](mailto:spiralpostcards@gmail.com) or call Spiral Galley on (02) 6292 5322



**2024 Cobargo Folk Festival Performer Applications are now OPEN!**

Get in early - the deadline is Saturday 15 July. The Cobargo Folk Festival is a folk and roots music, arts and cultural event held annually on the first weekend in March at the Cobargo Showground.

That's March 1st-3rd, 2024.

The festival is presented and produced by the Yuin Folk Club, a not-for-profit community organisation established and run by local Cobargo people since 1996. More than 300 volunteers co-create the Festival. [MORE INFO HERE](#)



**Congratulations to FLING on their new home!**

A message from FLING: We cannot wait to welcome our FLING Community into FLING Studio for Term 3.

A permanent home is such a milestone for our organisation. Our new venue in Bega at Tulgeen Disability Services has already undergone significant renovation to operate, proudly funded by the NSW Government through Create NSW and the Foundation for Regional and Rural Renewal.

Get moving with FLING Our Term 3 Community program will launch this week.

See you on our NEW purpose built dance floor!

[MORE INFO HERE](#)





more information at  
<https://regionalartsnsw.com.au/membership/>  
[BOOK HERE](#)

**DJIRAALI MURIYIRA | Natalie Bateman**  
**Exhibition - Tuggeranong Arts Centre, ACT.**  
**Exhibition 9 June - 12 August 2023**



**Regional Arts NSW - Click Series is back!**



Our ten-part workshop series that empowers regional artists by enhancing their marketing and business skills started on July 5th.

Topics include Funding and income sources in the arts, Understanding copyright, Business Planning, and many more!

Regional Arts NSW members get a \$100 discount,

**Official Opening: Friday 16 June 6pm.**

Artist workshop & Talk:  
 Saturday 12 August 10:30am.

Yuin artist Natalie Bateman tells the story of her family, the history of whaling on their traditional lands and waters and the impacts of colonisation.



## Festival Launch & Call for Entries

The River of Art Festival is back from Friday 15 to Sunday 24 September 2023. Now in its 18th year, the 10-day festival will feature culture, music, visual art, theatre, and creative workshops around the festival theme Celebrating Place.

The River of Art Festival is now inviting proposals from artists, the community and business to be a part of this year's festival by producing creative works or providing a venue or gallery to host events.

The deadline for proposals is Wednesday 12 July.

[MORE INFO HERE](#)

## Spiral Gallery Exhibition

**The Four Seasons - 21 July - 9 August**



An exhibition presented by the Monday Group from Bega Valley Arts & Crafts Society, opening at Spiral Gallery Bega on Friday 21 July at 5pm. All welcome.

This year each artist has included 4 works in the exhibition that show their own interpretation of the four seasons. Featuring artists from BVACS who gather each Monday morning to work together and share ideas.

Artists include Margaret Brown, Pat Branham, Ray Hamilton, Graeme Krake, Lorna Klapka, Sam Lockhart, Diana Winter & Kathy Zonneveld.

Spiral Gallery is at 47 Church St Bega.  
Open Mon-Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10-1pm. [www.spiralgallery.org.au](http://www.spiralgallery.org.au)



## ART EXHIBITION 2023

OPENING Tuesday 8 August 2023 at 5 pm

EXHIBITION runs to 9 September 2023

GALLERY open 7 days 10 am to 2 pm

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**REMINDER TO EXHIBITORS**  
Artwork must be delivered to Cobargo  
Creators Gallery, 10am to 2pm, between  
1 and 5 August 2023



## Cobargo Creators Annual 8xEight Exhibition – Call for Entries, due 1-5 August

Calling all artists! Here's your chance to showcase original, creative works in any media as long as they are 8 inches x 8 inches (20 cm x 20 cm).

The 8xEight exhibition will run from 8 August to 9 September and is open to everyone so why not join in?

*(Limit of 3 works per artist; non-members entry fee is 5\$ per work; no charge for Cobargo Creators members).*

Poster, advice for exhibitors and entry forms are attached and available at the Cobargo Creators Gallery or by email at [mail@cobargocreators.org](mailto:mail@cobargocreators.org).

We look forward to receiving your entries!

### Dates to remember

**1-5 August** – work/s to be delivered to the Cobargo Creators Gallery (late entries not accepted)

**Tuesday, 5 pm, 8 August** – opening of 8xEight Exhibition, Cobargo Creators Gallery (closing 9 Sept)



**2023**



**COBARGO CREATORS EXHIBITION**  
8 AUGUST 2023 to 9 SEPTEMBER 2023

## CALL FOR ENTRIES

- **SIMPLE RULES**
  - original work only, created in 2023
  - any medium
  - finished work size 8x8 inches (20x20 cm)
  - all work must be for sale
  - must be ready for hanging
- **OPEN TO ALL**
  - \$5 per work entry fee
  - free to Cobargo Creators members
  - limit of 3 works per artist
  - entry forms available at gallery or via email
- **DATES TO REMEMBER**
  - 1-5 August, work to be delivered to Cobargo Creators Gallery
  - late entries will not be accepted
  - gallery open 7 days 10am-2pm

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Amanda Williams from Amanda's of Mogo, the Arts and Craft supply store in Mogo is hosting a weekend of Mixed Media Workshops in July.

The tutor is Antonis Tzanidakis who is a fabulous mixed media maker with a steampunk style, he is fabulously fun and a great teacher, this is the 3rd time we have hosted Antonis. He is on a world tour and will be in Australia next month the weekend of 21st to 23rd July 2023.

Bookings through our website or I am happy to bookings over the phone.

Regards, Amanda - Mob: 0436 357 364 - Website: [amandasofmogo.com.au](http://amandasofmogo.com.au)



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Thank you



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**MACS VISION**

*A place to work together in creative groups.*

*Workshops for members to upgrade and diversify their skills*

*Opportunities for members to exhibit their work.*