



Montague Art and Craft Society Inc

Newsletter November 2023



President's Report

Hello everyone,

The end of the year is fast approaching, the Holiday Season and Christmas will be here very soon.

MACS is participating in Boats Afloat this year with an Exhibition at the Sport and Gamefishing Club on Saturday 18 November. This year it is a one-day Exhibition, set up is on Friday from 10:00am, please drop off your entries and pay fees on that day. Pickup will be between 4:00 and 6:00pm on Saturday after the Exhibition has closed.

Volunteers please email macsartnarooma@gmail.com before 15 November to let organisers know you can help.

Exhibitors please email macsartnarooma@gmail.com to confirm your entry.

MACS Annual General Meeting is on Friday 8 December at 4:00, followed by our Christmas get together. Those attending please bring a plate to share among the members after the meeting.

Thank you to Donna, Cathy and Cheryl for your interest in nominating for MACS committee.

The AGM means that it is change over time for MACS Committee and all positions are declared vacant. The Returning Officer then reads the nominations at the AGM and if more than one person nominates for the same position a vote is held. MACS Committee has a maximum of 9 to represent the interests of its members. If you are interested in being involved in the planning please nominate. Forms are at the Studio.

Cheryl's art class members are enjoying themselves, and Gary Caldow is assisting her with the class. Thank you Gary

Lucia Barrymores' drawing classes begin again in 2024 tentatively at this stage on a Thursday afternoon, more information will be in the next newsletter.

Thanks to Col Macauley for helping to clean out our storage container and move the contents closer to the Studio. Thank you also to Fiona Lyall and Bruce Hughes for putting together our new cupboards for storage in the Studio.

Painting the boards and plinths to spruce them up is the next project, as always volunteers are very welcome.

Membership renewal forms for 2024 are available at the Studio.



Best regards

Julie Hartley
President
MACS

Montague Art & Craft Society Inc

ART EXHIBITION



Lucia Dale

Boats Afloat

ONE DAY ONLY

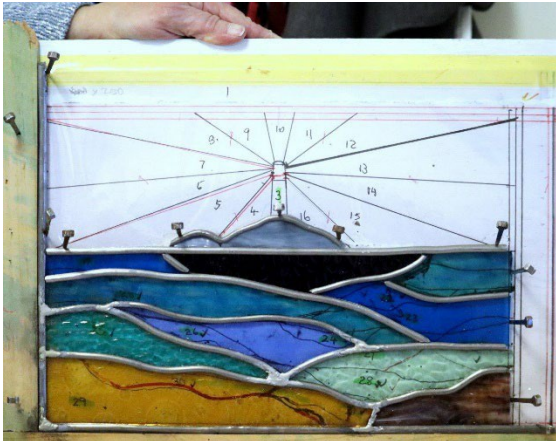
Saturday 18 November 2023

10:00am - 4:00pm

Narooma Sport and Fishing Club,
25 Riverside Drive, Narooma

What's On – November 2023

MACS STUDIO



Mondays with Bob Burnside
Stained Glass (Leadlighting) Group



Tuesdays - TEXTILES with Judy Glover
from 10:00 am 0409 031 043



Wednesdays - Mosaics with Judy Gordon



Pottery and ceramics with Donna Goulding
Wednesdays



Thursdays – Oils and Acrylics with Cheryl Hill
1:30 to 3:30 pm



Fridays - Life Drawing with Janet Jones

Narooma Urban Sketchers Timetable November 23 – March 2024

November 2023	
6 & 7 th	Pooles Beach Mystery Bay
13 & 14 th	Moruya along the river
20 & 21 st	Tuross Head Fish and Chips + Park
27 & 28 th	Hippy Sticks Bodalla
December 2023	
4 & 5 th	Kianga Lake Lakeside Drive
11 & 12 th	Top Pub – Lynchs', Narooma
18 & 19 th	Blue Pools Bermagui
25 & 26 th	Christmas Day & Boxing Day
January 2024	
1 & 2 nd	Lakeview Drive – Far end Narooma
8 & 9 th	Potato Point bridge over Potato Creek
15 & 16 th	Ballingala Street, Narooma houses
22 & 23 rd	Costin Street, Narooma
29 & 30 th	Glasshouse Rocks Beach, Narooma
February 2024	
5 & 6 th	Lewis Island, Narooma
12 & 13 th	One Tree Point, Tuross Head
19 & 20 th	Narooma Cemetery
26 & 27 th	Open Sanctuary, Tilba Tilba
March 2024	
4 & 5 th	Cheese Factory Central Tilba
11 & 12 th	Josh's Beach, Dalmeny
18 & 19 th	Narooma Wharf Rotary Park
25 & 26 th	Moruya Post Office

REMINDER: MACS Membership Renewals are due on 1st January, 2024

Current financial membership is required to enter Exhibitions or attend the Studio for groups and/or Workshops. If you are not sure of your membership status please speak with your convenor or email Kris at macsartnarooma@gmail.com



Guest Speaker at MACS Christmas Get Together

Gary Caldow has kindly consented to be Guest Speaker at the MACS Christmas get together following the AGM on 8th December at the Studio.

Gary's Talk is called "Artful Ripping Yarns" in which he recounts 2 artists, including himself, and their on-going Life Journey through art (taken from his Euro Writing group sessions). Gary will bring along some visual aids for us to enjoy!

Life Drawing

Life Drawing resumed in October with Janet Jones as Convenor



Janet Jones and Juliet Ramsay



Janet Jones and Edward one of the regular attendees

MACS Boats Afloat Exhibition: Help Needed

Volunteers to help Col move and set up the Art display boards and plinths to the club venue on Thursday, 16th November mid-to late afternoon.

Exhibiting Artists 2 hours of your time please.

Boats Afloat Exhibition

Works are on view 4:00 – 9:00 pm Friday, 17th by the Fishing Club members and guests.

Exhibition is Open to the Public on Saturday 18th, 10 am to 4 pm.

Exhibit is closed on the Sunday 19th

Please volunteer for a shift of 2 hours!
It's Enjoyable work and Great Views!

Please pick up your works 4 pm to 5 pm

- Let us know please if you can help!



Searching for New Horizons

Applications are now open for Horizons - a creative industry mentoring and career development program for NSW regional youth.

Horizons is a state-wide regional project that provides direct intensive support to young people wanting to pursue a career in the creative industries.

Supporting a total of 75 young people across the state, participants will be paired with an experienced mentor from their chosen field who is based in regional NSW. Each mentoring relationship will address the needs and interests of each individual and enable participants to connect into a network of peers to build strong state-wide networks early in their careers. The 18 month program is tailored for each participant, and is flexibly scheduled according to their commitments and career aspirations.

If you're between 16 and 27 years, or know a young person who should apply, click below for the Expression of Interest form. Hurry, applications end soon!

[CLICK HERE](#)

EXHIBITION – BATEMANS BAY

Human impacts on the ocean

Local artists create an eye-opening exhibition to raise awareness and spark positive change!

25 local Eurobodalla artists create art with a powerful message.

Human impact on the ocean includes photographs of a woman painted and hooked like a fish, a cute tangled pufferfish, an illuminated octopus and jellyfish, and stunning paintings, sculptures and mixed media artworks of the underwater world as it exists.

Bay Pavilions, Vesper Street. Batemans Bay
1st – 22nd December 2023

Opening night - Sunday the 3rd December, 4-7 pm
Tickets free through Eventbrite

Bring your clean plastic lids and bread tags for recycling with Lids4kids!





Join us for our AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the River of Art Incorporated is just around the corner!

We invite you to join us and have your voice heard as we continue to shape the future of the River of Art festival.

Date: Tuesday 28 November

Time: 4:15 PM

Venue: Moruya Golf Club

Please consider joining the Committee to help take the River of Art forward and continue to build on its excellent reputation and standing as the principal arts festival of the Eurobodalla region.

Membership For just \$1, you can become an ROA member and support the festival. Additionally, we welcome tax-deductible donations to further enhance the festival's impact [here](#).

Committee Positions All Committee positions (Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Public Officer, Ordinary Member) will be available. If you believe you have the skills for any of these roles, please reach out to our current Chair, Leanne Joyce – 0424 159 562 or chair@riverofart.com.au.

Have questions or need more information?
Feel free to get in touch 0413 237 388
Email: secretary@riverofart.com.au

Thank you for your continued support, and we hope to see you at the AGM.

Nomination Form Link

<https://www.riverofart.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/ROA-COMMITTEE-Nomination-Form-AGM-2023.pdf>

Membership Form Link

<https://www.riverofart.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/River-of-Art-Membership-Form-2023.pdf>



39th ANNUAL ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION



22 DECEMBER 2023 – 8 JANUARY 2024

DAILY 10.00am to 4.00pm (closed Christmas Day)

Batemans Bay High School Auditorium
2 George Bass Drive, Batehaven NSW

OPENING NIGHT 22 DECEMBER AT 6.00PM

ACLAWYERS

CABBI Annual Art Exhibition

This event will showcase a variety of different visual art styles, craft making and abilities including photography, artisan, fine arts and sculpture across all mediums.

It is always a popular event over the summer holiday period and is a wonderful way for locals and visitors to appreciate the creativity and hard work of artists and creators from across the region. Plus it's a great way to spend an afternoon with friends and family, especially when you need a break from the sun, surf and sand.



Welcome to our November eNews!

Can you believe it! The penultimate month of the year is upon us and it only seems like yesterday we were celebrating Easter. While Autumn has held the mantle of Festival Season for a while now, Spring is coming up the inside. River of Art, Wanderer, Eden Whale and Headland Writers Festivals all went off (to use the vernacular) with [Giiyong](#) and [Cooma Busking Championships](#) still to come. As well as attracting visitors and providing an economic boost to the region, our festivals play a key role in bringing the community together and building a sense of connection and belonging.

SECCA launches this month with the Archibald Prize - not a cut down travelling version but the whole kahuna! We are very excited to get inside the revamped gallery in Bega and certain it will be well worth the wait.

While on the visual arts front, we are really excited for Katherine Boland having one of her artworks gifted to POTUS from PM Albo - Katherine's participation in our [OUTPUT: Art After Fire](#) project in 2021 inspired her to dedicate her practice to the theme of climate change. Read on to check out all the exhibitions, shows, workshops, performances and more.

Andrew, Laura, Jazz, Ashweeni, & Peter



LIVE MUSIC | DANCE | IDEAS | ART | FOOD | CULTURE | COMMUNITY. Giiyong Festival 🌐 Saturday 18 November - at Jigamy, near Eden NSW. Thaua Country/Yuin Nation.

Adults \$35 | Aboriginal Community Elders & U18 FREE!

It's a full day of celebration of Aboriginal Culture including performances by Radical Son, Emma Donovan, J-MILLA, Eric Avery, Sean Choolburra, Steph Tisdell plus local and interstate acts. Speakers program and all-day dance, Cultural talks and demonstrations. Spectacular evening dance performance. Food trucks. All ages, all welcome.

[BUY YOUR TICKETS/ REGISTER HERE](#)





OPPORTUNITIES!

Even though we are in the middle of festival mania, South East Arts is powering on with all our usual activity and pleased to announce some opportunities - funding, jobs and Board EOIs. There are two job opportunities with South East Arts for part-time positions to start in early 2024; **Cultural Development Officer & Aboriginal Arts Officer.**

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)



2023 Olga Masters Short Story Award Announcement

At the recent Headland Writers Festival, Emma Rosetta was announced as the winner of Olga Masters Short Story Award for her story *A Major Theft*.

Emma's winning entry will be published in Island Magazine in November, which is available for purchase through their website and will appear on the Olga Masters website early next year.

Linda Atikins was the runner-up for her story *The Doula* which is available to read now on the Olga Masters website.

Journalist Chris Masters attended the announcement as a representative of the Masters family who provide the prize money for the Award, run in honour of their mother Olga Masters.

Here's to all our stories -- the living and the written -- and to many more years of nurturing Australian writers in Olga Masters' memory!

[VISIT THE WEBSITE HERE](#)



Country Arts Support Program (CASP), NOW OPEN! This small grant funding round of up to \$3000 is available for incorporated organisations, LGAs and groups/ collectives from Bega Valley, Eurobodalla and Snowy Monaro to apply.

Applications for projects to be delivered between 1 Feb to 31 Dec 2024 will be open until 24 November 2023 and the results will be announced mid-December. Andrew Gray is available on Monday 6 and 13 Nov between 12 and 4pm for a 25 min one on one session to discuss your project - a requirement of an application. Book your session [HERE](#).



Archibald Prize 2023 Exhibition Heralds Opening of SECCA Gallery

Bega Valley Shire Council is thrilled to announce the prestigious Archibald Prize 2023 exhibition will herald the opening of SECCA – the South East Centre for Contemporary Art – in Bega on the evening of Friday 17 November.

It’s a tremendous achievement that we now have a firm opening date for the gallery as well as Australia’s foremost portraiture prize for its inaugural exhibition.

It’s also an honour for SECCA to be one of just six galleries selected within NSW and Victoria to exhibit the Archibald Prize 2023

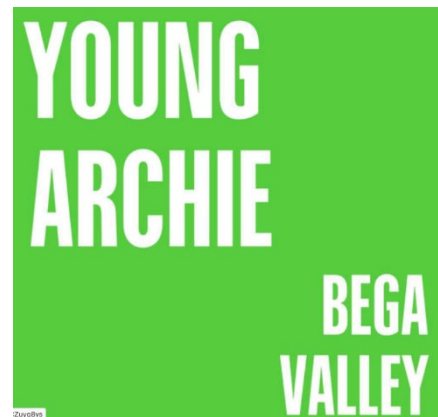


The Archibald Prize 2023 Regional Tour this summer at SECCA Bega, an Art Gallery of New South Wales touring exhibition.

Timed, Flexible Entry, Group Bookings or Thursday night Open Late.

Opening on 18 November 2023, the exhibition runs to 7 January 2024. SECCA Bega, the cultural heart of the South East.

Image - Archibald Prize 2023 finalist, Tsering Hannaford, Nanna Mara (detail) © the artist



ENTRIES NOW OPEN! Young Archie Bega Valley.

Budding artists between the ages of 5 and 18 are invited to submit a portrait for the Young Archie Bega competition, as part of the SECCA family-focused activities for the Archibald Prize 2023 regional tour.

The portrait should be of a person who is special to you – someone who is known to you and plays a significant role in your life.

[MORE INFO HERE](#)



Barbara Romalis — *Western Turner Syncline WA detail* oil on canvas 152x92cm

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open thurs to sun 11am - 4pm & by appointment | visit the exhibition online at www.gallerybodalla.com.au
 post office 66a princes hwy bodalla | valerie faber ph 0421 238 174 | gallerybodalla@gmail.com

barbara romalis beyond bingie



Barbara Romalis — *Ben's Tree Bingie detail* oil on canvas 102x76cm

thurs 2 nov to sun 26 nov 2023

please join us for opening drinks
with barb | sat 4 nov 3pm

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Raglan Gallery & Cultural Center, presents
GOLDFIELD PRINTMAKERS SURVEY EXHIBITION: ISTORIA

The Imants Tillers Gallery: Unit 9/11 Lambie St, Cooma NSW 2630
 Opening: Sat 28th October, 2023 at 3 – 5 pm Opening speaker: Jackie Gorrington Closes: 3rd December.
 (02) 6452 3377 www.raglangallerycooma.com www.goldfieldsprintmakers.com



Anne Langdon, Barbara Semler, Catherine Pilgrim, Deborah Klein, Diana Orinda Burns, Dianne Longley, Jackie Gorrington, Susan Clarke, Jan Palethorpe, Janette Wotherspoon, Jimmy Pasakos, Loris Button, Malini Lewis, Marie Mason, Marte Newcombe, Penny Peckham, Julie Patey

ISTORIA – Goldfields Printmakers from Central Victoria & FIRE & ICE - paintings by Philip Miles at Raglan Gallery, Cooma.

Raglan Gallery & Cultural Centre Present: Goldfield Printmakers Survey Exhibition: Istoria, as well as Fire & Ice - paintings by Philip Miles at Raglan Gallery Cooma.
 Pop in and check it out! 9 - 11 Lambie St Cooma.



Being the Artists they are, Dog Trumpet will play the evocative Four Winds Environment with sounds it's never, ever heard before.

The Shadowland Tour Part One was a string of sold out gigs. And you'll be there to witness why. Lucky! So, for some - bring a rug. For others - dance shoes or just plain feet. Authentic listening chairs provided.

Sun. Nov. 26 - 2023, 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm. All Kids under 16 Free

\$10 Murrah Curries (yes!) a bar and snacks

[TICKETS HERE](http://www.dogtrumpet.net/gigs)



Seawater and Soil - Group exhibition - at The Bas, Moruya.

Showcases the work of five local acclaimed artists from the NSW south coast. A dynamic and diverse collection of works, the exhibition explores the deep connection between the artists and their coastal environment, with inspiration drawn from the ever-changing character of the sea and the rich soil of the region.

Featured artists: John Rouch, Stuart Whitelaw, Purusha, John Sharman, Rodney Hayes.

Artwork by Stuart Whitelaw titled On the edge, 2023. Detail

True Story Festival 2023: Stranger Than Fiction, 18 and 19 November - Coledale Community Hall



Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 November 2023, join a stellar line-up of Australian nonfiction writers at this year's True Story Festival, held in the Coledale Community Hall.

Following on from the success of last year's True Storytelling Festival, this year True Story: Stranger Than Fiction brings together memoirs ranging from the humorous to the spiritual, together with voices sharing ideas about community resilience, cultural identity, local media and regional food, Dharawal language and First Nations knowledge sharing, and the courage it takes to become one of our finest investigative journalists.

[MORE INFO HERE](#)

Day Two of the Festival Of Daring Possibilities, Navigate Arts, Tanja. Sunday 12 Nov.

Day Two of the Festival Of Daring Possibilities brings together artists from Rebus Theatre's Project Alchemy, to share creative practices to re-imagine the future we need.

The ever-enchancing gardens of Navigate Arts will be dotted with creative installations and performances, as well as workshops in eco arts, visible mending, story telling and music... there will even be a book launch!

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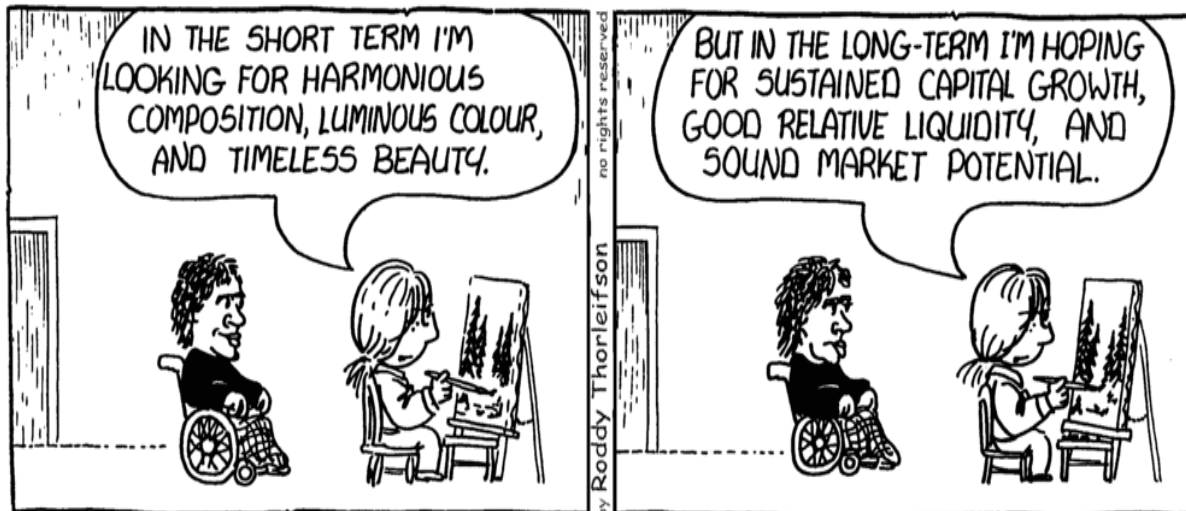


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Volunteers welcome
No special expertise just
enthusiasm and a friendly face

Contact: Julie Hartley – President
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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.