



# Montague Art and Craft Society Inc

## Newsletter August 2024

### President's Report



Hello everyone

Our studio is buzzing these days with happy groups of busy people enjoying themselves.

Not long until our Exhibition in September. Cheryl our exhibition coordinator has come up with some interesting plans for this year....more on what they are later.

The Entry Form for the "Holidays" Exhibition is included with this Newsletter as an attachment. Please download and print. More copies will be available at the Studio.

We have just heard that Boats Afloat will be on again in 2024. Save the date 8 – 10<sup>th</sup> November, more information on that as it gets closer.

Lovely Trish from the Tech Exec is continuing to hold free information sessions on security and everyday use of your phone and/or tablet every Monday from 10:00 to 12:15 at the Narooma Golf Club.

If you can, please come along it's a nice group and many are regulars including me and there always seems to be something new. We usually stay for lunch at the Bistro after the session is over, it's an enjoyable morning for learning and meeting new people.

Don't forget the Rotary Raffle tickets.

Thank you  
Julie Hartley  
President MACS

### Annual MACS Art Exhibition

27 – 29 September 2024,  
In conjunction with the **River of Art Festival**,  
The theme is **Holidays**.



Donna Goulding is the artist for this piece, something whimsical and perfect for the holiday mood. Her ceramics sessions are very much enjoyed.



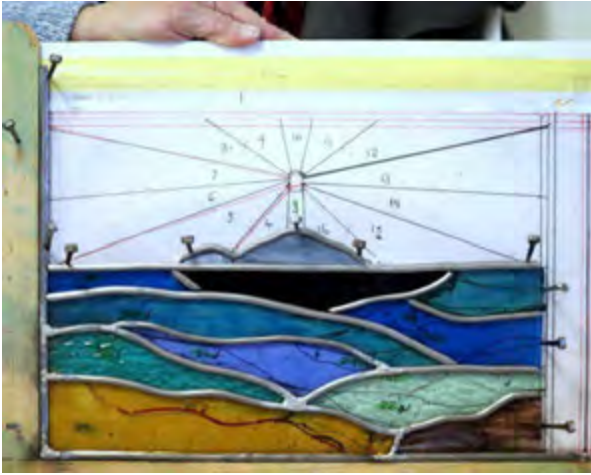
Seals are a popular part of Narooma visitors' holiday experience

## WHAT'S ON at MACS Studio August 2024

### Mondays with Bob Burnside

Stained Glass (Leadlighting) Group

Contact: Bob 0412417871



### Monday Afternoon

Oils & Acrylics with Cheryl Hill



### Tuesdays - TEXTILES

from 10:00 am



### Wednesdays - Morning From 10:00 am

Mosaics with Judy Gordon

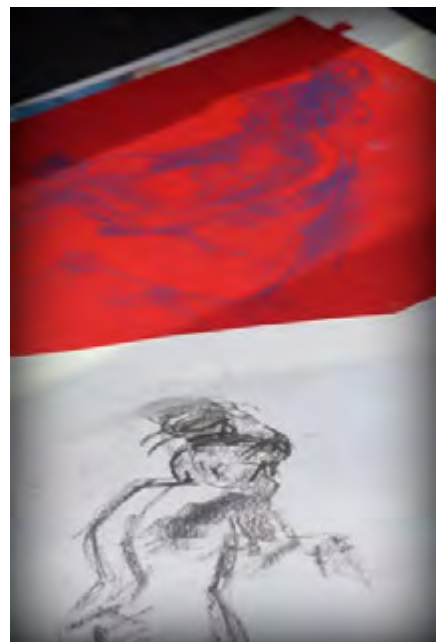


### Pottery and Ceramics with Donna Goulding



### Friday Morning

Life Drawing with Janet Jones



## Narooma Urban Sketchers Timetable April 2024 – August 2024

<b>April 2024</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oyster sheds next to Salt
8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>	Streetscape Graham Street – opposite NP
15 & 16 <sup>th</sup>	Camel Rock
22 & 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Mummaga Lake
29 & 30 <sup>th</sup>	Bluewater Drive
<b>May 2024</b>	
6 & 7 <sup>th</sup>	Marine Drive
13 & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Kianga Beach
20 & 21 <sup>st</sup>	Dalmeny Bush – along Duesbury Road
27 & 28 <sup>th</sup>	Forsters Bay – boats and sheds
<b>June 2024</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	Corunna Lake
10 & 11 <sup>th</sup>	Surf Beach
17 & 18 <sup>th</sup>	Ringlands
24 & 25 <sup>th</sup>	Apex Park – boats and Jetty
<b>July 2024</b>	
1 & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kianga Lake
8 & 9 <sup>th</sup>	Bodalla Pub
15 & 16 <sup>th</sup>	Handkerchief Beach - bush
22 & 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Rotary Park - Boats
29 & 30 <sup>th</sup>	Wagonga Inlet – boats and sheds
<b>August 2024</b>	
5 & 6 <sup>th</sup>	Duesbury Beach
12 & 13 <sup>th</sup>	Kianga bush along Duesbury Road
19 & 20 <sup>th</sup>	Main Wharf - Narooma
26 & 27 <sup>th</sup>	Dalmeny Beach

### **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.*

**The following Photos and articles by Rosy Williams**

NOTES: Gary Caldw is hosting an Open Studio at his own home during September as part of River of Art.

Cheryl Hill is also hosting an Open Studio at her home. Something to consider for other MACS members as well.



News from Life Drawing with Janet Jones:

The usual winter break from Friday's Life Drawing class has not happened this year due to a core of keen artists who carried on the sessions to allow their convenor Janet, a break away.

This has been much appreciated by Janet, who will welcome new students to her classes on application to MACS.

Thank you Janet for sharing your wonderful talent.



*Val and Cheryl, lovely photo by Rosy Williams*

On July 15th, I (Rosy) took Val Tippins to the Studio as Val and Cheryl are old painting pals!

The Painting group gave Val a warm welcome.....A few days later on July 29th, Life Member Val turned a wonderful 93 years old, which is pretty special!!

(Val has stopped painting over the past couple of years, due to her failing eyesight but remains interested in art and artists.)

**OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING GROUP UPDATE:  
from Cheryl Hill**

The group continues to thrive, skills improving every day, producing some great paintings. We had a surprise visit from Val Tippins in July which was great, the group were delighted to meet one of MACS best artists.

Rosy was kind enough to provide transport and I think Val enjoyed the outing and meeting our group as much as we did.

This month we will be having a couple of 'fun' days trying out some different media and techniques as well as planning for the River of Art Exhibition in September.

**NEWS:** The Oil & Acrylic painting group has 2 places available, if you are interested in joining in, call Cheryl on 4476 3358 or come into the MACS studio Mondays 1 – 4pm

## OIL AND ACRYLIC PAINTING GROUP



Christine Cockarell, Diane Webster, Julie Morris, Toni McGarrity, Wendy Schofield special guest Val Tippens and Group Convenor Cheryl Hill



Toni McGarrity shares her work with the painting group.



Di and Christine with their own flower studies in progress.



6508: Julie Morris begins painting her best pal pet!



Photos are just acknowledging how Inviting it is for Studio visitors and more importantly MACS members to see Col's gardens kept so Bright and Welcoming in this cold Winter....!

Thank you, Col !



Bob Mettam joined in, proving how supportive families really are to enable all our wonderful group Convenors to give so much time and talent to our MACS Studio groups. Thank you to all helpers!



## NEWS FROM LEADLIGHTING

with Bob Burnside



*Donna with her truly lovely terrarium*

Our new members Vicki and Carol are beginning their own projects and enjoying the group.

Donna is still coming up with some amazing copper foiled pieces like the one in the photograph attached. That is a semi completed terrarium she is working on.

We also appreciate the new heating greatly!

Bob

**MACS Textile Group  
welcomes everyone  
interested in all types  
of needlework!**

**Tuesdays, 10 to 12 noon.  
at MACS Studio.**



**River of Art Festival**  
**27 September to 7 October 2024**  
**Submissions extended to 30 August 2024**

## MACS ART EXHIBITION

**MACS Annual Exhibition**  
**September 27-29 at Club Narooma,**  
**again in conjunction with the River of Art**  
**festival. The theme is "Holidays" -**  
**start creating some happy holiday vibes**



**"So I said, 'If you wanted to do something  
useful around here, why don't  
you paint the fence?'"**

## NEWS FROM SOUTH EAST ARTS



We had so much fun at our kil.n.it artist talks and info session hosted by the amazing @secca\_\_bega

### Welcome to our August eNews.

Another month rolls around as August reminds us we are definitely into the second half of the year. For South East Arts that means we are moving towards the pointy end of two key festivals - Headland Writers in October and Giiyong in November. It's number four for both these events and tickets are on sale now.

As these festivals are contributors to the cultural tourism offerings in our area, it's worth noting the recent launch of a research report on the bigger picture of regional NSW and the contribution arts makes to the tourist sector. SEA has taken the lead on this project for the network of regional arts organisations, and the links to the summary and full report are found below.

We have been delighted to see the progress of the experimental ceramics exchange with Kil.n.it artists attending a two-week wood-firing program run by the experts at Bandicoot Pottery. Remember that EOIs for a ceramics residency in Sydney at the Kil.n.it studios is now open. Read on for more opportunities, exhibitions and events across the region and keep warm!

**Andrew, Laura, Jazz, Peter, Gaby & Bee**



**Headland Writers Festival 2024 - WEEKEND PASS AVAILABLE NOW!** Full Program/ Day Passes/ Individual Session Tickets available from 4 August

★ The Weekend Pass allows you entry to any of the programmed sessions in the Tathra Hall and the Tathra Uniting Church on Sat 19 and Sun 20 October. This pass will also give you access to view the live stream recording of the sessions in Tathra Hall, for 4 weeks after the festival. That way you can use your weekend pass to catch nearly every session of the weekend program.

★ Day Passes, Individual Session Tickets, Full Line-Up and Program Available from August.



**The Olga Masters Short Story Award Returns - Entries NOW OPEN!**

With the continued support of the Masters family, the Award is managed by South East Arts, in partnership with The South Coast Writers Centre, and Island Magazine. The Award welcomes entries from writers of all ages resident in Australia. Short stories (2000 to 4000 words) on the theme of life in rural Australia. The winner will be announced at the Headland Writers Festival in October.



# SOUTH EAST ARTS JOIN OUR TEAM

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POSITION

**EXCITING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. JOIN US!**

### **Executive Director Recruitment**

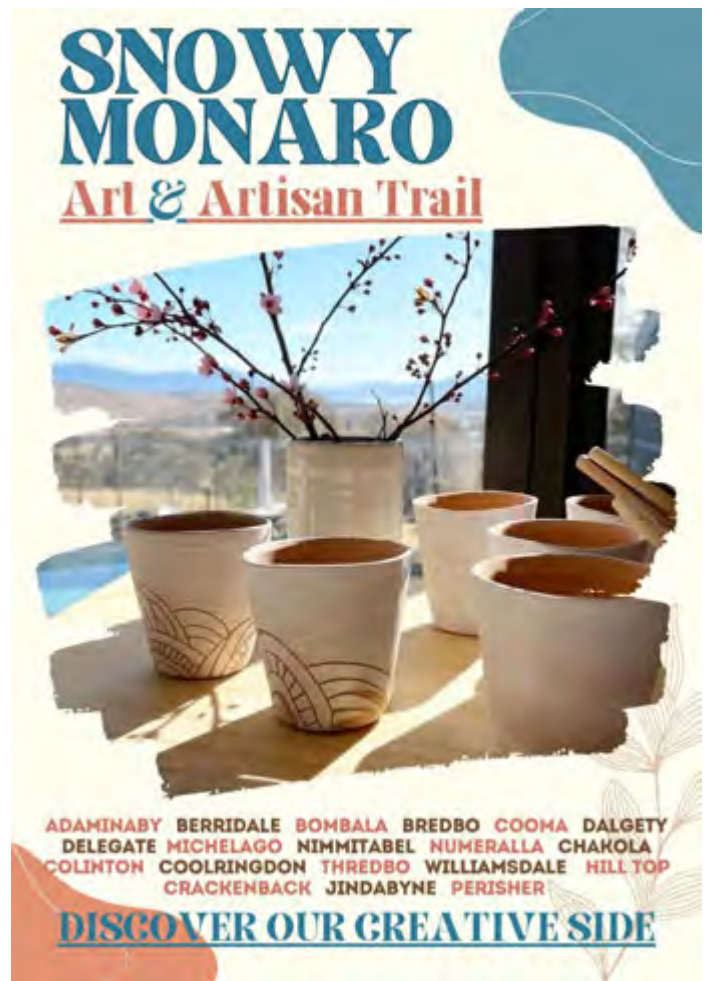
South East Arts (SEA) Board are seeking an Executive Director, an inspiring individual to provide strategic leadership of this Regional Arts Development Organisation (RADO) in NSW. The successful applicant will have demonstrated experience working in communities with multiple stakeholders, be passionate about facilitating opportunities for local artists and arts organisations, and have a clear understanding of the complexities of the regional arts sector, across various art forms. Applications close midnight on 23 August 2024.

[https://www.southeastarts.org.au/ed-recruitment?mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://www.southeastarts.org.au/ed-recruitment?mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)



If you're interested in applying, link address shown for eligibility information and the full guidelines. any enquiries, call RANSW funding manager at (02) 9270 2500.

<https://southeastarts.us12.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c1c16d29647e3e3509fb2a379&id=231f749ee9&e=98fa623e85>

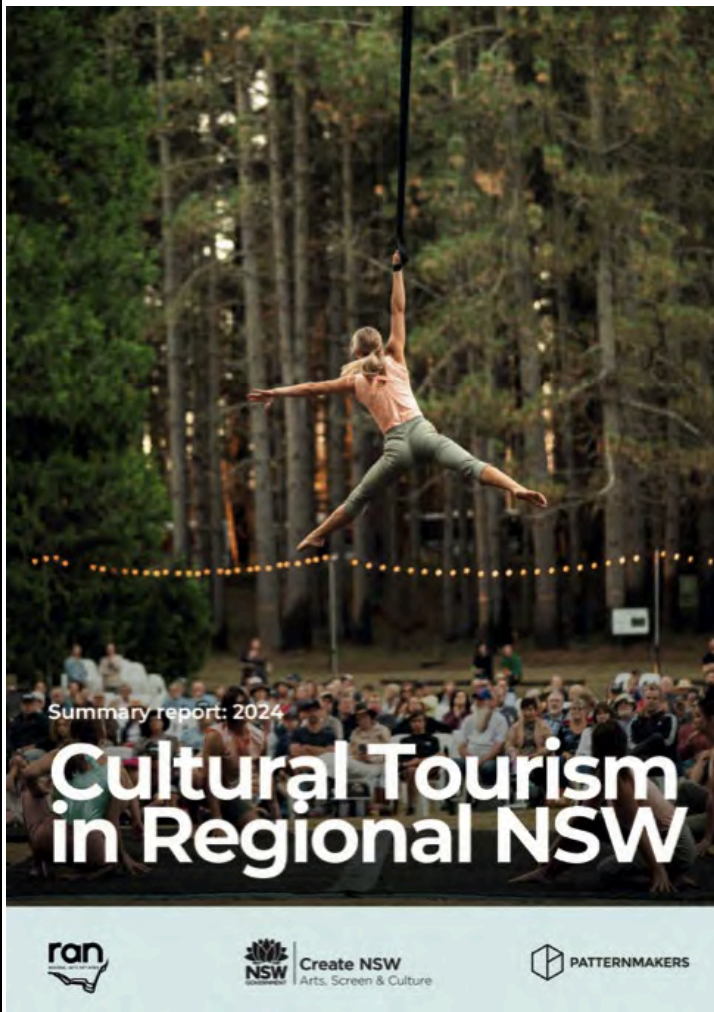


South East Arts has put together the most comprehensive list of art and artisans, which is a first for our region and just the beginning. Out Now!

The Monaro & Snowy Mountains region in NSW is home to many talented creatives, from artists at every stage of their career to those in the creative industry, making beautiful artisan wares. There's music and heritage and you may also be surprised at our 'bank' of public art, which consists of mural art and world-class sculpture walks. Keep an eye out for the booklets - hitting the streets in the high country this month.

CHECK OUT THE DIGITAL VERSION HERE

[https://www.southeastarts.org.au/snowy-monaro-art-trail?mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://www.southeastarts.org.au/snowy-monaro-art-trail?mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)



**Cultural Tourism in Regional NSW Report - AVAILABLE NOW!**

Cultural Tourism is a strategic focus for South East Arts and the network of 15 Regional Arts Development Organisations in NSW. The Regional Arts Network (RAN) commissioned a research report in 2024 on Cultural Tourism in regional NSW, undertaken by Patternmakers and funded through Create NSW.

The Cultural Tourism in Regional NSW Report is available to view on our website now.

[https://www.southeastarts.org.au/cultural-tourism-report?mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://www.southeastarts.org.au/cultural-tourism-report?mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)



**The 2024 Windmill Trust Scholarship for Regional NSW Artists is open for applications!**

This award opens up avenues for regional artists seeking to further their professional development, exhibition opportunities or deepen research with a \$10,000 scholarship. Applications will close Monday 2 September 2024, 23:59 pm AEST. One scholarship will be awarded.

[https://regionalartsnsw.com.au/windmill-trust-scholarship-2024/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMATAAR1xtKM\\_pFdL\\_OE\\_w2ckxae7OP43eTvN8YuTS72NU2bAybt0PB4qJ\\_7kS3Xs\\_aem\\_v-KE1-LwZLEskt3UIRsA6Q&mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://regionalartsnsw.com.au/windmill-trust-scholarship-2024/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMATAAR1xtKM_pFdL_OE_w2ckxae7OP43eTvN8YuTS72NU2bAybt0PB4qJ_7kS3Xs_aem_v-KE1-LwZLEskt3UIRsA6Q&mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)



**Applications for the 2025 NSW Visual Arts Fellowship (Emerging) program are now open!**

The 2025 Fellow will receive \$30,000 for mentorship and professional development in whichever direction they choose. We want everyone with talent and drive to have this opportunity, so we urge all up-and-coming artists to apply!

[https://www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/2025-visual-arts-fellowship-emerging?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMATAAR3Z5ZaM\\_B0Bmmacx0z1Yxb4u6TDhg42yFbsHc6SQKv9QaJeYn3\\_oXjp3CPEs\\_aem\\_hiuJ\\_T7XCwEAr9rHzaTsWQ&mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding/2025-visual-arts-fellowship-emerging?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMATAAR3Z5ZaM_B0Bmmacx0z1Yxb4u6TDhg42yFbsHc6SQKv9QaJeYn3_oXjp3CPEs_aem_hiuJ_T7XCwEAr9rHzaTsWQ&mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)



**Basil Sellers Art Prize. Call for entries is now open!**

The Basil Sellers Art Prize is an acquisitive biennial award celebrating artistic excellence and supporting creative practitioners. Offering a prize pool of over \$30,000 our prize champions 2D artworks in traditional mediums of painting, drawing, and printmaking (unique state).

Finalists from across Australia are eligible for the coveted \$25,000 acquisitive award generously supported by Mr. Basil Sellers AM. The Eurobodalla Prize offers \$5,000 in recognition of an outstanding local entry.

[https://thebas.com.au/basil-sellers-art-prize?mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://thebas.com.au/basil-sellers-art-prize?mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)

**ENTRIES ARE STILL OPEN for the River of Art program.**

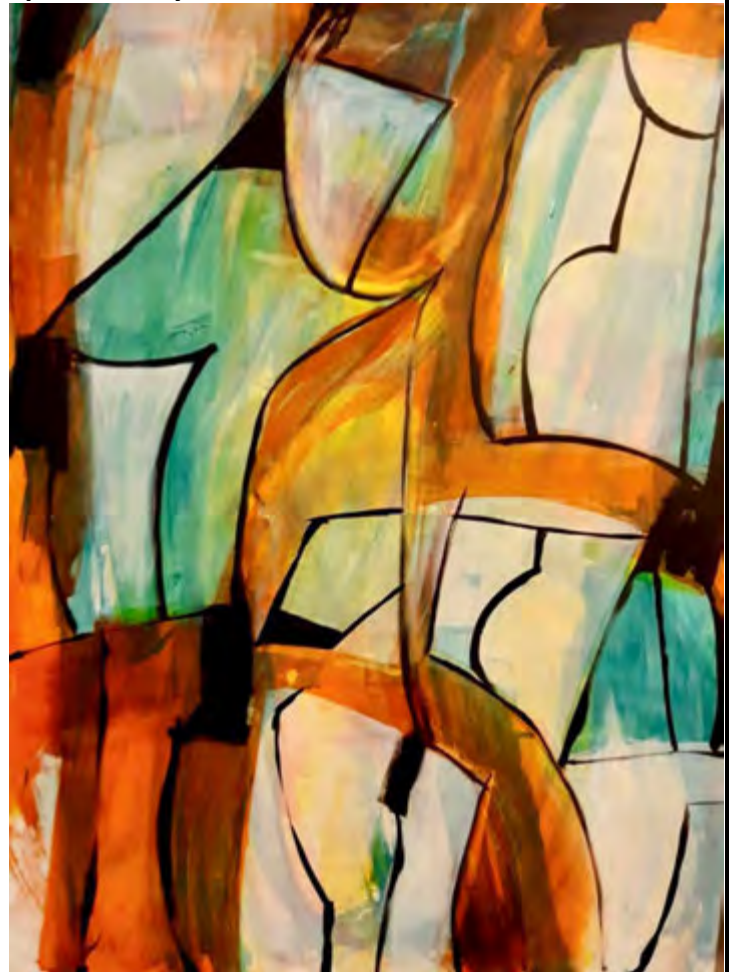
The River of Art program is an incredible art trail extending well over 100km through the Eurobodalla from Durras in the north to Bermagui in the south from 27 September to 7 October, including the long weekend. Artists and performers are invited to open their studio doors, put on shows, exhibit their works and more as part of this celebration of our creative Far South Coast.



Visit the River of Art website to see who has already registered for our program and sign up before 30 August to be part of this incredible 10 day event. **Register here.**

[https://www.riverofart.com.au/program-entry-form/?mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://www.riverofart.com.au/program-entry-form/?mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)

**Spiral Gallery Exhibitions**



**Between Heaven & Earth - 16 Aug to 4 Sep. Opening event on Sat 17 Aug, join the artists for morning tea 10am-12.**

An exploration of ideas and materials - Stephen Gill in paintings using layering and linear marks, and dioramas using various materials - Anneke Paijmans in sculpture using clay and recycled glass, and wall hanging with painting and textiles.

Anneke Paijmans: "everything is composed of the 5 elements: Earth, Water, Fire, Air and Ether, art is composed of these elements in subtle form, in different combinations."

Painting: Gambol by Stephen Gill



**Screenworks in partnership with Netflix have opened applications for their next Regional Crew Pathways Program!**

We're pleased to support this initiative that provides four recent film and media graduates with a highly sought after opportunity to get their first professional paid crew role.

Image credit: On set of Seachange. Photo courtesy of Screenworks

[https://screenworks.com.au/learn/regional-crew-pathways-program-2024/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR0-Yuh9hjfOQt-hi-PQYon2GhZ4rlh4WdNkxiabWSkbBPd\\_NIBZhU\\_uRkc\\_aem\\_5h9eZc8ozMYg3Z2CIUsETA&mc\\_cid=04b560262e&mc\\_eid=98fa623e85](https://screenworks.com.au/learn/regional-crew-pathways-program-2024/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR0-Yuh9hjfOQt-hi-PQYon2GhZ4rlh4WdNkxiabWSkbBPd_NIBZhU_uRkc_aem_5h9eZc8ozMYg3Z2CIUsETA&mc_cid=04b560262e&mc_eid=98fa623e85)



**Sharon and Slava Grigoryan Friday 23 Aug | 6pm, Windsong Pavilion, 17 Four Winds Rd**

Sharon and Slava Grigoryan are a powerhouse of virtuosity and exquisite musical expression. From Classical gems by Vivaldi and Granados to contemporary compositions, including their own creations and arrangements, this concert promises to illuminate beloved favourites in a fresh, captivating light.

[Sharon and Slava Grigoryan inside the Windsong Pavilion this August!](#)



**Art Exhibition at The Bas: Bold Buildings & Beautiful Birds - Megan Dixon Dawes and Debra Smith - Exhibition runs until 24 August**

Where: Basil Sellers Exhibition Centre, corner Vulcan Street and Campbell Street, Moruya

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday, 10am – 4pm

Eurobodalla artists Megan Dixon Dawes and Debra Smith hold great admiration for one another's creations. Their collaborative efforts have culminated in an exhibition showcasing regional birds and buildings - some of which will be recognisable to locals.



**What's On at Raglan Gallery, Cooma Mitchell Gallery - 'Whirly Gig' - paintings by Philip Frankcombe**

From his artists statement: "Nature is an important part of my paintings and I also try to reflect, cultural and spiritual relationships and attempt to show similarities and unity."

Showing until 18 August.

Tillers Gallery - Group exhibition titled 'MINIATURES'

Over 100 works of a variety of mediums and subject matter, sized 100cm square, will be hung by a group of artists calling themselves AIM - The Art in Miniature.

Showing until 18 August.

Painting by Jocelyn Godber

# STONEWAVE TAIKO

## Is Turning 10!!

Come and celebrate our birthday with  
a FREE Taiko, Tea & Chat session



**Tathra: Sunday 25 August & Sunday 22 September 2-4pm**  
**Eden: Saturday 7 September & Saturday 21 September 2-4pm**

Exercise, play the Japanese drums, have afternoon tea and a chat amongst friends.

These sessions are FREE and are specially targeted for Seniors (thanks to an Australia Post grant).

To book  
Tathra: Sandy Coates on 0416 228 211  
Eden: Jan Crawford on 0427 260 098



Info at  
[www.stonewavetaiko.com](http://www.stonewavetaiko.com)  
Insta or FB

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## The Bas: change of opening hours

Starting Saturday 6 July

Monday to Friday opening will not be impacted. You can continue to visit the gallery between 10am and 4pm.

On Saturdays the Bas will be open as usual between 10am and 4pm - but from 12.30pm entry is only from Murray Street.

There is ramp access from the large carpark off Murray Street.

On Sundays the Bas will be closed.

Visit the website to stay up-to-date with exhibitions, workshops and opening hours.

### More information

T: 4474 7355

E: The Bas

W: The Bas



## Shop7 Art Space Gallery

on the upper deck at the Bermagui boat harbour, are hosting the annual Harbour Exhibition, August 9 – 26

The annual Harbour Exhibition is on at Shop7 Art Space Gallery.

Opening night is Friday August 9 from 5 - 7pm, and the exhibition continues until August 26.

The gallery is open from 10.30 - 3, every day except Tuesday.

The annual Harbour Exhibition showcases artworks by many talented artists, responding to the theme Harbour.

Awards granted by local businesses will be presented on opening night, and visitors are encouraged to cast their vote for the People's Choice Award throughout the exhibition.



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**MACS Volunteers welcome**  
**No special expertise just**  
**enthusiasm and a friendly face**

Contact: Julie Hartley – President  
macsartnarooma@gmail.com

Thank you



<b>MACS Executive Committee</b>	<b>2023 - 2024</b>
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Lead Lighting	Bob Burnside
Mosaics	Judy Gordon
Ceramics/Pottery	Donna Goulding
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