

HAS News



Newsletter of the Hornsby Art Society

December 2012



HAS Christmas Art Sale

Venue: 'Whole of House' - Wallarobba Arts & Cultural Centre.

Until Sunday, 9 December. Open Weekdays between 9am and 5pm with a HAS member on duty between 10am and 3pm. The weekends of 1-2 and 8-9 December will include an Art Market with craft, Christmas cards, gift tags, decorations and festive themed items. Vivien Christian will be offering gift certificates for a portraiture sitting - what a great gift for someone special.

The Gallery has never looked so full and ready for business. Prices are sensational with works on canvas starting at \$5, a huge range of framed and unframed works under \$30 and some keenly priced major works as well.

We can still take late entries of both art and craft on the weekends. Just bring it along at 10am and we will get it in the sale. You would need to stay with your craft work as we do not have enough volunteers to watch and sell small items. For art on the walls, as artwork is sold and wall space becomes available the work can remain.

The only ingredient we now need is customers. With no entry fee and sales commission reduced to 10% we have no big budget for paid advertising. We are using free media and social media sites but here's where we need your help: tell your friends, spread the word and encourage everyone to "Buy local art and support a local artist this Christmas."



Hornsby Art Prize 2012 Winner

The winner of this year's Hornsby Art Prize is Tannya Harricks for her oil painting - *Glebe* (shown at left).

The judges noted that this work resonates in reality—it is an aspect of everyday life effectively rendered.

They liked the tension between the figure and the dog and felt that the artist had a good understanding of the relationship of form within space.

Tannya receives \$5000 and her work has been acquired by Hornsby Shire Council.

The Hornsby Emerging Artist Award was won by new HAS member Ian McGilvray for his print, *Water Nymph*.

A full list of the Category Prize-

winner will be soon available on the Hornsby Shire Council website. The Category Winners were:

Category	Artist	Title
Painting	Carolyn Pettigrew	Senior Attitude
Drawing & Print-making	Gary Shinfield	River Bridge and Coal
Sculpture	Izette Felthun	Reclining Nude
Youth Senior	Yingran Sun	The Round Lemon
Youth Junior	Richard Gao	Barbecue New Zealand

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Our Patrons – Kasey Sealy, Margaret Woodward, Kevin Best OAM, Peter Laverty & the Mayor of Hornsby

Dear Members and Friends -

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

Its hard to believe but here we are the last newsletter and final Exhibition for the year.

HAS CHRISTMAS ART SALE

You must come have a look and tell your friends about this great sale. 199 works received so far and the entire building is over flowing with great gift ideas for Christmas. We have circulated publicity materials to all local press outlets and via the internet, but word of mouth is the best publicity: so please spread the word.

Huge thanks to Ron Smith, Paul Bicknell, Tony Nesbitt and the Hanging Team for pulling this Exhibition together. We hope to make this an Annual Event.

EXHIBITIONS 2013

Elsewhere in this edition you will see some handy dates for 2013. We have included these so members are aware of the timing & able to easily prepare for our group exhibitions. In the first part of 2013 we will have the Volunteer's Exhibition (restricted entry to those who have volunteered during 2012); the National Trust Festival Exhibition with Heritage theme and the HAS Members Exhibition in July. We are also planning to end each year with the Christmas Art Exhibition and Sale that is currently underway. We hope that early publication of these dates will assist your planning.

HAS 2013 EXHIBITION INFORMATION KIT

Our apologies!

In the last edition of the newsletter we advised that our Exhibition Kit for 2013 was available. However, just after going to print last month we became aware of some changes to operations at Wallarobba that will mean some further amendments. If you have requested a copy please know we will circulate the new edition when the changes are finalised.

HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY & JANUARY CLOSURE

We hope to see many of you at the HAS Christmas Party on 10 December - a great chance to relax together. HAS will close until mid-Jan to give the Committee and volunteers a chance to rest and recover for the year ahead.

HORNSBY ART PRIZE

It's hard to believe this is all over for 2012. While we have a separate article about the Hornsby Art Prize, I can't let the moment pass without saying a huge thank to everyone from HAS who volunteered to be part of the 2012 Hornsby Art Prize.

It was an enormous undertaking and involved many hundreds of volunteer hours so thank you to everyone who participated. I want to particularly thank Paul Reilly, who coordinated our roster and so many of the behind the scenes activity and to Dennis Fisher & Tony Nesbitt who both put in many hours of work to ensure the event ran smoothly.

Lastly - the spectacular work of our Hanging Team led by Tony and Trish Prince and including John & Jan Martin, Paul Bicknell, Ron Smith, Don Gould and Bob Paisley makes the exhibition come to life. Each year is never without its challenges and this year was no exception, however I know everyone agrees the team did a spectacular job. Our sincere thanks!

THE YEAR THAT WAS

It has been a tough year for many of our members and I know for many of us, 2012 will not be a year that is fondly remembered. Many of our members and friends lost family members, two of our members suffered significant injuries in falls and many others are caring for loved ones who are very ill. For HAS we also lost our patron Kevin Best, OAM and our dear friend Terry English.

I can't let the year end without thanking our hard working Management Committee. To Lindsey, Dennis, Leonie, Tony N, Tony P, Trish, Ruth, Bea, Paul R, Paul B, Ron and Rhonda, HAS would not exist without your hard work and enthusiasm. Thanks for your personal support to me and your kindness expressed in so many ways throughout the year.

To all our members and friends, I send my very best wishes for a wonderful Christmas season and a very happy and healthy 2013 to all.

Kind regards,

Janelle McIntosh - President

NEW MEMBERS

A very warm welcome to :

Genevieve Croker of Wahroonga

The D'Ath-Weston Family: Lynda and Rebecca of Alford's Point

Suzanne Davey of Mona Vale

Sharan Kilp of Berowra Heights

Elise Masters of Mt. Colah

Ian McGilvray of Epping

Pamela Mitchell of Wahroonga

Wendy Schuster of Hornsby

Bertie Waite of Mount Colah and

Lynne Wright of Mt. Kuring-gai

REMINDER—MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOW DUE

Thank you to all those members that have renewed their membership. Members are reminded that annual membership fees were due on 1 October. Payments can be made at the HAS Office, in the Garden Room, at Wallarobba each Friday between 8am and 12:00. Credit Card payments can be made by phoning our Treasurer, Dennis Fisher. See Page 4 for details.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our Secretary, **Leonie Fisher** has again distinguished herself by receiving a Highly Commended award at the Royal Art Society Student's Exhibition for her oil painting 'Urban Landscape—Waterloo'.

Marion Wait was thrilled to win the Henry Malouf Scholarship to the Mitchell School of Arts at Bathurst in January 2013. She will study portraits in oil with Lyn Diefenbach. Marion's long awaited interview for entry to the National Arts School has also been granted and we wish her every success as this current chapter of her journey as an artist is being written.

ART TOUR TO ITALY—TUSCANY AND CINQUE TERRE

Janina Liddell, a fellow artist and art teacher for the past 15 years in Samford, just North of Brisbane will be leading a small tour group to this beautiful part of the world from September 1 to 15, 2013. If you have longed to see and sketch Assisi, the Chianti Region, the unique and dramatic landscape of the Cinque Terre region, and Florence then this may be the dream trip for you.

Artists, photographers and partners who just want to sightsee are assured of an exhilarating experience staying in small hilltop villages with scheduled visits to artist's studios, galleries, and even an Italian cooking school. The emphasis will be on the needs of an artist to see, sketch and create rather than to meet a crushing schedule.

For more information phone Janina on (07) 3289 3703 or email

janinaliddellart@live.com.au.

DONATED PAINTINGS TO RAFFLE AT HAS CHRISTMAS SALE

Our thanks to Susan Joyce for her generous donation of not one, but two paintings for us to raffle during the HAS Christmas Art Sale. The framed works will be offered as first and second prizes. Tickets are just \$2 each or 3 for \$5. the raffle will be drawn on Sunday, 9 December at the conclusion of the sale.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER WINNER

The magnificent HAS Christmas Hamper raffled during the Hornsby Art Prize and drawn on Sunday, 25 November was won by Ms. Li from Killara. Thanks to all those members who donated gourmet items, provided funds to purchase them and/or sold tickets with such enthusiasm. A special thanks to Ruth Jones who put it all together with her usual good taste and dedication.

NEW GALLERY AT EPPING

“Pop-Up” bars, restaurants and performance spaces seem to be the latest fad in entertainment. Now we have our own “Pop Goes the Easel” Gallery at 66—67 Beecroft Road, Epping. HAS member Lyndsay Hatchwell is involved in its operation and invites you to the launch of *festivus—the Affordable Art Show* on Friday, 30 November from 6:30 to 8:30pm. The exhibition will run until 19 January, 2013 and is open Wednesday—Friday from 10:30—4:00 and on Saturdays from 10:00 to 2:00. Parking is available in the council carpark in Rawson Street (next to Coles Supermarket). Walk through to Beecroft Road.

Also have a look at the Loutky Teahouse and explore the world of puppetry—it is right next door. Initiatives like these by fellow artists deserve our full support and encouragement. Pop in soon.

HAS LENDING LIBRARY

Plan your holiday reading now. An extensive and varied library of art books has been generously donated to the Society by the estate of the late Ivan Lewis. These books are available for members to borrow for up to one month and can be picked up and dropped off on Friday mornings between 8:00am and 12:00.

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS AT WALLAROBBA

Straight after our Christmas Art Sale an exhibition of the works of the late Terry English will be presented at Wallarobba from Monday, 10 December to Saturday, 22 December.

HAS will present a **Patrons Exhibition** from Tuesday, 29 January 2013 to Sunday, 10 February. The Opening Night will be on Friday, 3 February.

The Epping and Pennant Hills Life Drawing Groups will stage their **‘Freeform’ - HAS 2013 Life Drawing and Sculpture Exhibition** from Tuesday, 27 March 2013 to Sunday 8 April. The Opening Night will be on Friday, 30 March.

UPCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS AT THE HAS GENERAL MEETING—SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH 7:30 FOR 8.

December 2012 — (Christmas Party. Bring a plate to share.)
 February 2013 — Greg Hansell — well known pastel artist
 March — (Annual General Meeting—deferred from October 2012)
 April — Mick Joffe — Caricaturist, author and raconteur.

It is with great pleasure we can report on the success of the Hornsby Art Prize for 2012. This year was a big challenge for all - with the prize moving to Wallarobba and the need to accommodate the works in both the homestead and the Beatrice Taylor Hall.

This year ‘s Prize also sees the return from maternity leave of Joanna Joyce, Council’s Arts Officer and HAP Curator/Coordinator. A great way to return!

Congratulations to all of the HAS Members who were selected to be hung in HAP this year. Special congratulations to those who received awards - Ian McGilvray, Lyndsey Hatchwell & Gunnel Watkins.

Thanks also to every member who volunteered to assist the smooth running of the Prize. Your input is crucial and is greatly appreciated.

The HAP Project Team has met already to evaluate the 2012



‘Space Quixote’ by Lyndsey Hatchwell—Sculpture: 3rd Prize



‘InterConnected’ by Gunnel Watkins – Sculpture: Judges’ Special Mention

The Prize for 2012 received a positive response from artists and the public. In particular, our members have indicated how welcoming it is to run the prize in the venue that is also our permanent home and the home of Council’s Arts officer. This gives us a great basis for future development of the Prize and associated events.

event, to prepare for the 2013 event and to consider what changes and improvements could be made. We have already received considerable constructive feedback from visitors and participating artists and all of this will be considered as next year’s Prize is planned. If you have any comments or suggestions to add, its not too late and please pass them on to any member of the Committee or to myself.

Janelle McIntosh, President

Member’s Exhibition Calendar — Wallarobba Gallery

Exhibition	Open	Opening Night from 7pm	Entries Close	Delivery of Work between 4—6pm	Collection of Work between 4—6pm
Volunteer’s Invitational	Tuesday, 26 February to Sunday, 10 March 2013	Friday, 1 March 2013	Not Required—members who have volunteered for any rostered duty throughout 2012 will receive an invitation to enter one work	Sunday, 24 February 2013	Sunday, 10 March 2013
Themed—National Trust	Tuesday, 23 April to Sunday, 5 May 2013	Friday, 26 April 2013	Early April 2013	Sunday, 21 April 2013	Sunday, 5 May 2013
Member’s	Tuesday, 25 June to Sunday, 7 July 2013	Friday, 28 June 2013	Early June 2013	Sunday, 23 June 2013	Sunday, 7 July 2013

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Special Interest Groups

EPPING LIFE DRAWING

Each Tuesday (in line with school calendar). 09:30am to 12:30pm. Professional models. Epping Community Centre (formerly The School of Arts) - in the lower hall (entrance via side lane), 9 Oxford Street, Epping. Casual fee \$17 (discounts for term payment and HAS members). Morning tea included. First Session Free. Easels and Drawing Boards available on site. Contact: Contact Robyn on 0403 450 330 or robynbiv@bigpond.com.

PENNANT HILLS LIFE DRAWING

Each Tuesday 07:00pm to 10:00pm. Professional models. Pennant Hills Learning and Leisure Centre, Warne Street, Pennant Hills.

Casual fee \$12. Supper included. Easels and Drawing Boards available on site. Contact: Stephen Kopp on 0412 354 980 or phdrawinggroup@gmail.com or Graeme Gould on 9629 2532.

EPPING PORTRAITURE

Every Thursday (in line with school calendar). 09:00am to 02:30pm. Two week poses. Epping Community Centre (formerly The School of Arts) - in the lower hall (entrance via side lane), 9 Oxford Street, Epping. \$240 per term. Easels available on site. Contact: Bryan Besly 9908 2106 or bbesly@bigpond.net.au

PLEIN AIR LANDSCAPE PAINTERS

Every Wednesday (weather permitting). 09:00am to between 02:00 and 03:00pm. Bring your lunch, equipment and materials. No charge. Contact: Annette Taylor on 9416 4717 for the next site.

WALLAROBBA WATERCOLOUR GROUP

11:00am to 02:00pm (set-up from 10:30am). Includes two Master Classes per term with Susie Murphie. Contact Bea Roche on 9484 5485 or email bea@hornsbyartsociety.com.au for meeting schedule, fee details and bookings to fill limited vacancies (essential).

PAINTING CLASSES AT WALLAROBBA

Conducted by Sonja Perkovitch for beginners to advanced level in acrylics and oils. Wednesdays (in line with school calendar) 12:00 noon to 2:30pm. \$20 per lesson. Phone 0415 492 553 or email sonjabiziuk@bigpond.com

EPPING SCULPTOR'S OPEN STUDIO

Every Wednesday (from Term 4 2012). Between 10:00am and 04:00pm. Room 3, Epping Creative Centre, Dence Park, off Stanley Street, Epping. \$12 per day. Coffee and Tea provided. Some tools and materials available on site. Storage available for work-in-progress. Contact: Tony Nesbitt on 9980 1683 or email newsletter@hornsbyartsociety.com.au

PRINTMAKERS' OPEN STUDIO

Every Friday (in line with school calendar). Between 9:30am and 4:30pm at Wallarobba Print Studio. John Crawford conducts these community based sessions on behalf of Hornsby Shire Council. Bookings are required. Contact Council's Art Desk on 9847 6893.

Hornsby Art Society acknowledges the support of Hornsby Shire Council



HAS MEETING SCHEDULE

General Meetings – held second Monday of each month (including Public Holidays).
 Wallarobba Arts & Cultural Centre (Beatrice Taylor Hall - behind home-
 stead)
 25 Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby
 7:30pm for 8pm demonstration. Members \$3; Visitors & friends \$5.
 Light supper served; all welcome.

HAS MEMBERSHIP

Annual Membership fees are payable on 1st October each year:
 Individual \$45; Family \$60; Student* \$30 and pensioner \$30.
 (*Pensioner / Student No. and particulars must be provided with application.) Send application & cheque payable to the **Hornsby Art Society Inc.,**
 PO Box 642 Hornsby 2077 marked Attention: The Treasurer.