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Featuring the works of Artists from the Blue Mountains in New South Wales, Australia

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NEWSLETTER

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Presidents Report

A belated happy New Year to all in the Society and their families. Hopefully 2012 will be a good year for everyone and perhaps even the sun will shine for more than a few hours at a time!!

All members will have noticed in recent newsletters the reminder about the AGM in March and the call for nominations for positions on the Management Committee and indeed the ongoing need for volunteers of all persuasions. With an ageing membership [yes me too!] the SMA needs new ideas and perspectives to retain existing members and attract new ones too. There will be a number of retirements this term and we have prepared a duty statement for each of the important roles in the Society to inspire and guide new volunteers as to what is required. Please give this some serious consideration as our continued success depends very much on YOU !!

The Management Committee recently spent a Saturday morning in a strategic planning meeting to look at where the Society is now, where it should aim to be and how to get there. A clear priority is to increase our visibility in the community as a whole through advertising, the web site and some special events.

A meeting was also held recently with the President and Treasurer of the Blackheath Art Society [BAS] to explore possible synergies and opportunities for cooperation between the two organisations. BAS have yet to discuss in committee the issues canvassed so watch this space for a future update.

Dennis West has arranged for use of the Anglican church hall in Falls Road Wentworth Falls on Saturday 25 February next. In effect this will be a painting day for some of the members who already meet there once a month for some social painting but will include working demonstrations and examples of various media and techniques. This is free, and open to all, members and visitors or the simply curious from 10am to 4pm. Tea and coffee will be provided so come along and bring some friends ?

If this is deemed to be successful in raising the public profile of the Society similar weekend events at other venues will be held at intervals in the future. The SMA is YOUR SOCIETY, tell your friends and consider how you might make a small practical contribution towards its ongoing growth and success.

Sermon over; thank you !

Peter Ayres

SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM 2012

I (we) wish to nominate for the position of:

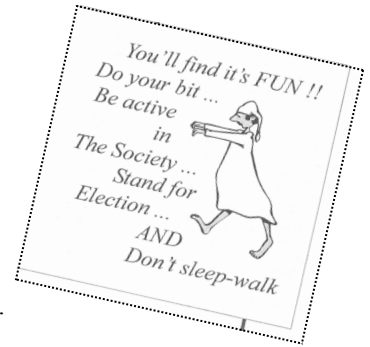
President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Committee Member (5 positions)



In the Society for the year 2012.

Proposer

Seconded

I accept my nomination (s)

Signed

Nominations must reach the Society by
Friday 9th March, 2012
Send to:
Nomination of Committee Members
The Secretary, Society of Mountain Artists Inc.
P.O. Box 76
Wentworth Falls, NSW 2782

www.mountainartists.org

SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.
SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL FORM - DUE JANUARY 2012

Name/s.....(Please Print)

Please find enclosed Cheque / Cash / Postal Order

Single Membership \$40

or

Family membership \$70

two family members at the same address

On-line Gallery Fee- \$20

Payable yearly if exhibiting in gallery

Amount Payable \$.....

Change of address, phone or email?

Please add your E-MAIL address below

Would you like to receive your Newsletter by e-mail ? YES

CUT OUT

AND

RETURN

For renewal of my
membership in the Society
for the year 2012

P.O. Box 76
Wentworth Falls, NSW 2782

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HOBBYIST

YES

NO

Please Tick /

Activities Diary

DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE / CONTACT	BOOKINGS
Feb Thurs 16th	MONTHLY MEETING Peter Gonzales Critique Session Also members Choice for Autumn Raffle Prize Details Page 4	1.00 pm Leura Golf Club * * * * * Bring a Painting	NO
Feb Tues 21	Paint Together No Oils	10am Leura Golf Club Social Membership to Club Requested	NO
Feb Thurs 23rd	Trip to Picasso Exhibition In place of plein air	Booking made / now closed see below	YES
Feb Sat 25th	INFORMATION DAY Paint Together & Morning Cuppa DETAILS PAGE 4	10am to 4pm St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	FREE
Mar Thur 1st	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 Donation
Mar Thurs 15th	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Members' Choice Award	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura Bring a Painting	NO
Mar Tues 20th	Paint Together No Oils	10am Leura Golf Club Social Membership to Club Requested	NO
Mar Thurs 22nd	Plein Air Painting See Page 4	Glenroy Camping Area Jenolan Caves Road, Hartley	NO
Mar Fri 30th	Entries Close for Autumn Exhibition	Entry Forms and Conditions in February Newsletter	
Apr Thur 5th	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 donation
Apr Tues 17th	Paint Together No Oils	10am Leura Golf Club Social Membership to Club Requested	NO
Apr Wed 18th-Sat 21th	AUTUMN EXHIBITION	St Auburns Church Hall Megalong Street Leura	
Apr Thurs 19th	MONTHLY MEETING Dennis West Pastel Demonstration	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura	NO
Apr Thurs 26	Plein Air Painting Bring a Partner and Lunch	10am Margaret Latty's Farm 16 Vista Pl Little Hartley	NO
May Thurs 17th	MONTHLY MEETING Suzy King Demonstration Tips on use of various art materials	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura	NO
May Thurs 24th	Plein Air Painting	Dry Ridge Estate Winery Megalong Valley	
May Sat 26 Su 27	Great Train Weekend Plein Air Painters Exhibition	Victoria and Albert Guesthouse Mount Victoria	
June Thurs 21	MONTHLY MEETING	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura	NO
July Thurs 19	MONTHLY MEETING Jamison Award Conditions will be published later	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura Bring a Painting if you wish to be part of the Award	NO

Trip to Picasso Exhibition

Thursday 23 February 2012 at 1130 am. If we all travel on the **0807 train from Mt Victoria** or our respective equivalent stations we will be at Central by 1030,
Allowing time for a quick coffee to be at the gallery for our allotted time of entry, 11.30am

INFORMATION DAY
Paint Together
Demonstrations in various media
Free Entry

10am to 4pm
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall
Falls Rd Wentworth Falls

INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN WHAT THE SOCIETY HAS TO OFFER
TO THOSE WHO WISH TO TAKE-UP OR RETAKE UP ART

We are looking at what activities we may be able to offer to those who work during the week

Members are asked to participate in the day by painting together Bring some lunch Tea and coffee supplied

LET YOUR FRIENDS KNOW

Plein-air Painting Thursday 22nd March

Glenroy Camping Area

200 Jenolan Caves Road, Hartley. NSW. Glenroy is a magnificent historical rural property overlooking the Coxs River in Hartley. Camping, fishing, toilets, Kiosk, bush-walking, Pets allowed.

Entry fees may apply. **BYO food & drinking water.**

Situated 5 minutes drive off the Great Western Highway, Glenroy Camping Ground is very easy to find as it is right on the road to Jenolan caves

On the site of the first Military Establishment West of the Blue Mountains
Overlooking the crossing of the Cox's River by the Old Bathurst Road

Governor Macquarie and Lady Macquarie both camped on the Camping Grounds in 1815

The Camping Grounds have always been open for public use since the crossing of the Blue Mountains in 1813.

There is a monument on the property commemorating the 'first' Divine Service held in the Blue Mountains.

There are old graves dating back to 1832.

STORAGE

The society has been looking for a suitable site for a storage facility for screens, signs, records etc.

Put your thinking caps on.

Does anyone know of a suitable site ?
Council, Government, Public, Private, Community.

We are willing to build a secure garage or obtain a shipping container to provide storage.

We have been unable to obtain any agreement from Council about long term use of the current site at Wentworth Falls



February 16th 2012 Meeting

Peter Gonzales will do a Critique
Bring a painting.

Also we will have a Members Choice to choose a Painting as the Raffle Prize for the Autumn Exhibition

You may bring a separate painting or use the one for the critique if you wish to be included in the choice for the Raffle.

Paintings must be your original work.
If chosen for the Raffle we will reimburse framing cost or arrange for framing

LEURA GOLF CLUB

Society of Mountain Artists

Autumn Exhibition 2012

Wednesday April 18th to Saturday April 21st

at St. Albans Church Hall, Megalong Street, Leura



Name: (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss) _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Post Code: _____

		Framed Paintings										MEDIUM	PRICE				
		FILL IN TITLE, Medium, Price – 30 Block Letters (one per square, include spaces)															
1. TITLE																	
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3. TITLE																	
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Unframed Paintings (up to 2) at \$2 each entry fee	
Title: _____	Price: _____
Title: _____	Price: _____

ROSTER AND CARD ENTRIES OVER THE PAGE



AUTUMN EXHIBITION 2012

HAND CRAFTED ORIGINAL CARDS

Hand crafted original cards (Exhibitors only), limit 20 per exhibitor. EACH CARD MUST BE NUMBERED, WITH INITIALS, ON THE FRONT	Price per card >>>
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IMPORTANT -- YOU ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE ROSTER

I accept all conditions of entry.

Signature: _____

I hereby authorise _____ to collect my artwork(s)

Sign-out: _____

ABN Number									
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HOBBYIST Please Tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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TICK YOUR ROSTER TIMES BELOW or Record OTHER DUTIES here >>

Wednesday 18 th April	Tick ✓	Thursday 19 th April	Tick ✓	Friday 20 th April	Tick ✓	Saturday 21 st April	Tick ✓
10am to 1.30pm		10am to 1.30pm		10am to 1.30pm		10am to 1.30pm	
1.30pm to 5.00pm		1.30pm to 5.00pm		1.30pm to 5.00pm		1.30pm to 5.00pm	

SEE CONDITIONS for detailed description of each section. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Autumn 2012 Art Exhibition – Conditions of Entry

Wednesday 18th April to Saturday 21st April

St. Albans
Church Hall
Megalong Street
Leura

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per Framed artwork – payable on delivery
\$2.00 per Unframed artwork – payable on delivery
Entries Close: Monday 30th March – no late entries accepted
Send to: SMA, PO Box 76, Wentworth Falls, 2782
Delivery: Wednesday 18th April, 9.00am to 10.00am (NO LATER)
Collection: Saturday 21st April, 4.30pm to 5.00pm
Commission: 20% commission on all sales

During the exhibition contact the SMA by phone
0488-264-670

Open to all financial SMA members.

Maximum number of **framed** paintings = (5)

If three or more paintings are entered, the exhibitor is entitled to enter up to two unframed paintings as well. Unframed stretched canvasses do not qualify as unframed paintings.

Maximum PERIMETER of Framed Painting – 100" (2540mm)

Maximum PERIMETER of Unframed Painting – 75" (1880mm)

Works should not have been previously exhibited with the SMA.

All works must be for sale. **Prices not negotiable.**

Replacement of Works Policy for this Exhibition: Committee may request replacement of works if display is depleted. Offer of replacement will first be to those artists whose works have been sold – a further \$5/\$2 entry fee will be required for each replacement artwork.

Please display your name, title, medium and price on the back of your paintings. Works delivered must be as per Entry Form. No substitutions will be accepted.

Artworks must be presented to a high standard:

- * For **FRAMED works:** Ready to hang, preferably with cord and strong staples or "D" rings.
- Or
- * For **STRETCHED UNFRAMED CANVASSES:** No visible staples on sides, with all edges painted, also ready to hang with cord and strong staples or "D" rings.
- * **UNFRAMED works:** must be supported by a sturdy matt and covered in clear protective plastic. Unframed stretched canvasses do not qualify as unframed paintings.
- * **All Works:** No screw eyes or protrusions which can damage other exhibits. No wet paintings, no infringement of copyright (e.g. other artists' work, photographs from calendars, Readers Digest and Australian books etc.).

The SMA has the right to reject works. Exhibitors must arrange their own insurance. No responsibility can be taken by the SMA for damage or loss incurred.

Hand crafted ORIGINAL cards (maximum 20) - Limited to painting exhibitors only: Cards must be numbered clearly from 1 to 20, with artist's initials and price **ON FRONT. All the same price. Whole dollars no cents.** Please enclose an envelope with each card in a cellophane sleeve. **No extra entry fee required for cards.** Include details on the Entry Form.

Publicity: The Society may allow works on display to be reproduced by newspapers or TV during the exhibition period.

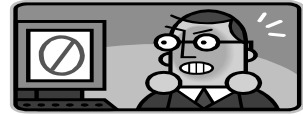
In order to exhibit, exhibiting members are required to assist in the various tasks in preparing and manning the exhibition. It is the exhibitors responsibility to obtain a substitute if unable to perform tasks or man the Exhibition at the nominated time. Non-exhibitors are always welcome to sign up for the roster.

Please indicate preferred times or tasks on the ROSTER included on the Entry Form.

Uncollected paintings will not be looked after. If artists do not ensure that someone else will pick up their paintings, they will NOT be taken home by a committee member, and the artist will be banned from exhibiting at the next exhibition.

Your participation is essential to make this Exhibition a success!

PRIVACY POLICY The Society collects information about its members only to allow it to carryout Society activities. It undertakes not to pass on this information to any third party. If a visitor wishes to contact a member artist take the details and pass it on to the artist who then decides if they wish to make contact.



EMAIL ADDRESSES

Even if you do not wish to receive the newsletter by email there are times when it is important to contact members quickly.

Such as the unexpected change of meeting venue this month.

It is frustrating and time wasting to create a group email and have it knocked back as some email addresses are incorrect.

This means that committee members have to make numerous phone calls

Please ensure that your email addresses are up to date.

**REMEMBER YOU MUST BE A FINANCIAL MEMBER TO STAND OR NOMINATE FOR ELECTION
OR EXPRESS AN INTEREST TO ANY COMMITTEES OR RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER
MARCH WILL BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER IF YOU ARE NOT FINANCIAL**

**GO ON LINE AND CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE
JOIN THE ONLINE GALLERY
www.mountainartists.org**

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