



# Society of Mountain Artists Inc.

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

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## NEWSLETTER

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Monthly Meetings at Wentworth Falls School of Arts Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls

Website / Gallery [www.mountainartists.org](http://www.mountainartists.org)

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### President's Message

Welcome to 2016 which I hope will be a very happy, healthy and productive year for you all. As we have already flagged this year marks our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Society which is quite a milestone and a tribute to those mountain artists who had the foresight to establish it.

John Finnerty has for many years devoted a lot of personal time, energy and doubtless expense doing so much computer and web work for the Society. To ease the burden on John we are urgently seeking someone to take on responsibility for the work associated with exhibitions in particular. John has summarised the main duties involved & these are included in this newsletter Page 6. So please consider whether you could assist?

The Management committee met on 4 January to consider plein air venues, anniversary events and social outings and demonstrators for the year.

The community transport bus has been booked for a trip to Canberra for the Tom Roberts exhibition at the National gallery on 9-10 March. Details in this newsletter; places will be limited and first come first served so accommodation can be finalised. Twin share accommodation is cheaper so find a partner.

Our first meeting of the year is February when Roland Hemmert will give a demonstration in aquarelle pastels and bring some examples of his work. March is the AGM when we will have a members' choice for the work which will be our exhibition raffle prize so sort an entry out before then. While we anticipate the winning work will be donated the Society will meet framing costs.

Looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year,  
HAPPY PAINTING

*Peter Ayres*

**SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.**  
**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM 2016**

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

President .....

Vice President .....

Secretary .....

Treasurer .....

Committee Member ( 5 positions ) .....

In the Society for the year 2016.

Proposer .....

Seconder .....

I accept my nomination (s)

Signed .....

Nominations must reach the Society by  
**Friday 11th March, 2016**  
 Send to:  
**Nomination of Committee Members**  
**The Secretary, Society of Mountain**  
**Artists Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 76 Wentworth Falls, NSW**  
**2782**

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**DIRECT DEBIT: SMA BSB: 633108      A/C No.: 149824328**

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Single Membership -	\$40	<input type="checkbox"/>	or
Family Membership -	\$70	<input type="checkbox"/>	two family members at the same address
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Website Gallery Annual Renewal Fee -	\$10	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Total = \$ .....</b>			

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**For renewal of my  
 membership in the Society  
 for the year 2016**

ABN Number




**HOBBYIST      YES      NO**

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**PO Box 76, Wentworth Falls, NSW, 2782**

# Activities Diary

Management Committee Meeting 1st Feb 2016 1pm  
Exhibition Sub-committee Meeting 1st Feb 10am Wentworth Falls Country Club

2016 Jan Thurs 7th	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
2016 Jan Tues 19th	Paint Together No Oils	10am <b>Wentworth Falls Country Club</b> Blaxland Road Downstairs Meeting Room	Social Mem- ber ship
2016 Jan Thurs 21st	 New Year Start Annual Picnic	11am Falls Picnic Area Falls Rd National Park Wentworth Falls <b>Directions Page 4</b>	NO
2016 Feb Tues 2nd	Plein Air Painting (1) Also Feb Thurs 25th	10am Hartley Historic Village	NO
2016 Feb Thurs 4th	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
2016 Feb Thurs 18th	<b>MONTHLY MEETING</b>	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts	NO
2016 Feb Thurs 25th	Plein Air Painting (2)	Hartley Historic Village 10 am	NO
2016 Mar Tues 1st	Plein Air Painting (1)	Megalong Valley 10am Tea Rooms <b>Also March 24th</b>	NO
2016 Mar Thurs 3rd	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
2016 Mar 9th-10th	<b>Canberra Bus Trip</b> Contact Peter Ayres email ayres42@bigpond.com	National Gallery Tom Roberts Exhibition 1st come 1st served (max 18 seats)	YES See Page 5
2016 Mar Tues 15th	Paint Together No Oils	10am <b>Wentworth Falls Country Club</b> Blaxland Road Downstairs Meeting Room	Social Mem- ber ship
2016 March Thurs 17th	<b>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</b> Election of Management Committee	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts <b>Members' Choice Painting</b> <b>Selection for Exhibition Raffle Prize</b>	
March Thurs 4th	Plein Air Painting (2)	Megalong Valley 10am Tea Rooms	NO
Apr 14th—18th	 <b>Autumn Exhibition</b> 	St Albans Hall in Leura Entry Forms in February Newsletter	
June Thurs 30th	<b>30th Anniversary Luncheon</b>	Grand View Hotel Wentworth Falls	YES

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## *Plein-air Painting Days*

Consideration has been given to some requests concerning Plein-air days.

Two days at one site. A different day for those unable to come on Thursday. Stay longer than just the morning.

**So Each site will be FIRST TUESDAY and FOURTH Thursday** (where possible)

Members who wish to stay longer bring their lunch This was the practice years ago.

Members wishing to go for lunch together at a venue are still free to do so.

During colder times we will look for warmer areas or field trips which could include sketching

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR**

The Society starts the New Year with the ANNUAL: PICNIC  
Pack a picnic lunch & maybe a chair or two and sunscreen

**Thursday 21st January**

**11am Falls Picnic Area**

**Falls Rd National Park**

**Wentworth Falls**

**New Members and Friends all welcome**



***Wentworth Falls picnic area is in the Wentworth Falls precinct of Blue Mountains National Park. To get there from Great Western Highway, turn left at Falls Road near Wentworth Falls Bowling Club and the picnic area is at the end of the street.***

### **NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society of Mountain Artists Inc. will be held at 1.00 pm on Thursday 17th March 2016 at **Wentworth Falls School of Arts Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls**

#### **AGENDA**

- 1 Adoption of the Minutes of the previous AGM held on 19th March 2015
- 2 To receive and accept Annual Financial Report (year ending 31st December 2015)
- 3 To receive and accept President's Annual Report
- 4 Election of Management Committee
- 5 Appointment of Auditor and determination of remuneration
- 6 Motions, notice of which must be received by the Secretary in writing **fourteen days** prior to the meeting

The Society's Constitution provides for the yearly election for a Management Committee of nine members.

The Committee consists of executive positions of President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and five (5) ordinary members.

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**REPLACEMENT OF LOST NAME BADGES COST IS \$10**



*MEMBERS NAME*

**Members wishing to join the Web Gallery Note there is a Yearly Fee of \$10 to cover Administration costs Please include on your Subscription renewal**



There have been some reorganising done to make the Website more relative to members

Checkout the new changes to the website [www.mountainartists.org](http://www.mountainartists.org)

*Autumn Exhibition Raffle*

**Forward Notice**

To acquire a painting as the **Raffle Prize for the Autumn Exhibition**  
**there will be a Members' Choice at the March Monthly Meeting (AGM)**

If you wish to be considered bring a painting for members to choose a winner.

Society will meet framing costs.

*Bus trip to Canberra 'Tom Roberts Exhibition'  
at the National Gallery 9-10 March*

Accommodation at the Forrest Hotel, National Circuit- special group rates

\$159 for single occupancy; \$199 for shared twin occupancy.

Costs INCLUDE exhibition tickets and breakfast on the 10th

\$28 per person payable in advance to cover bus hire, fuel and driver accommodation.

Bus will be picking up at various points from Katoomba down the mountains.

Places will be limited on a FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS.

Please contact [ayres42@bigpond.com](mailto:ayres42@bigpond.com) or phone 47 58 9005 asap



*Exhibition calendar*

**Mosman Art Gallery**

'Destination Sydney'—work by John Olsen, Kevin Connor, Peter Kingston starts 5 Dec until 14 February 2016.

**Manly Art Gallery** ; Destination Sydney; works by Lloyd Rees; Brett Whiteley and Elizabeth Cummings starts 5 Dec. until 14 February 2016

**AGNSW**

'The Greats' masterpieces from the National Galleries of Scotland . Starts Oct 24 until Feb 14 2016

**SH Ervin gallery** Observatory Hill;

Destination Sydney; Cressida Campbell, Grace Cossington Smith and Margaret Preston. Starts 10 Dec until 21 February 2016

**Penrith Regional Gallery**, Emu Plains; 'Bodies of work by Deborah Kelly' Collage, portraiture, and animation until 21 February.

**Norman Lindsay Gallery**, Faulconbridge. 'Sea Treasures' exhibition until 31 January

**BM Cultural Centre Katoomba**. 'Voyages Botanical' Solar plate engravings by Christine Johnson until 21 February

## Exhibition Committee Computer Responsibilities



### Required:

- Computer (SMA Laptop could be supplied)
- word processing software
- desktop publishing software
- database software
- colour printer

### exhibition responsibilities:

- prepare poster and any fliers
- update conditions and entry forms – mainly date changing
- build database of exhibition entries and print artwork labels
- create and print exhibition catalogue
- design and print prizewinners certificates (Spring only)

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