



Society of Mountain Artists inc.

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

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Monthly Meetings at Wentworth Falls School of Arts Theatre Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls
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Management Committee Report

The Management Committee has been meeting to investigate the way forward in 2021 despite Corona Virus restrictions.

Monthly Meetings till April including a combined Annual general meeting for 2020 1st 2021 will be held in Wentworth Falls School of Arts Theatre. The front Hall is restricted in capacity. Unfortunately hire of the Theatre does not include the usual tea room which houses our Library Cupboard. So no Library until restrictions are lifted. Also we are not able to serve afternoon tea due to Corona restrictions.

Members' Choice Paintings will start again in Monthly meetings. The February Theme is Paintings done during Covid shutdown after that Open to members' own choice. no restriction.

Paint together in St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls should start again in January. Waiting on final Church approval.

En Plein-air will be starting in either January or February site still to be confirmed.

It is hoped that we will hold **three exhibitions** this year. There is difficulty in obtaining suitable venues but some possibilities are being investigated.

Due to the lack of activities in 2020 it was decided to transfer 2020 Financial Membership to cover 2021. It will be necessary to cover regular costs which will have to be covered. Eg Insurance. Hall Hire Storage. Printing Postage Website Site. Decision was made that a charge of \$10 be added to subscriptions where members require their newsletter to be mailed. To partly cover Printing Envelopes Postage.

Yearly Subscription are due 1st January 2021. A list of financial members for 2021 will be forwarded shortly to those covered.

Current notes and odd newsletters have been emailed to all members with an email address whether financial or not. After March only financial members will receive Newsletters and be able to exhibit in future exhibitions.

THE WAY FORWARD IS RELIANT ON MEMBER ASSISTANCE AND PARTICIPATION

Portland Art Society Exhibition

5th March to 7th March

Portland Art Price 1st. \$650 Ron Bidwell Award
"Isolation" Theme 2nd. \$350 Mary Hampton Award
Simply Drawing Prize \$300

3 Exhibits per Person

50 word Summary Interpretation of "Isolation"

Entries Close 5th February 2021 <https://www.facebook.com/portlandart>

Message from Lia Johnston.

Lia has moved to 1 Pheonix Drive Warners Bay 2282.

North Lake Macquarie Closer to her family

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REMEMBER START OF YEAR PICNIC


11am/11.30 Wilson Park Wentworth Falls Behind the Bowling Club

BYO Plus a chair

Thursday 21st January 2021



Activities Diary

DATE	ACTIVITY	Location	Booking
2021 Thurs 7th Jan	Paint Together Group Depending on Church Committee Approval	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost Hall Hire
2021 Thur 21 Jan	Start the Year Picnic 	11am/11.30 Wilson Park Behind Wentworth Falls Bowling Club BYO Plus a chair	NO
2021 Thur 21 Jan	Also Second Mellissa Read- Devine Workshop	See Below	
2021 Thur 4th Feb	Paint Together Group	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5
Feb 2021 Thurs 18th	Monthly Meeting Members Choice Theme Paintings done during Covid Restrictions	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts Theatre Entrance from Car Park No Teas or Library	No
Feb Thurs 21st	Plein-air Painting	Site still being investigated	
March Thurs	Annual General meeting and Elections	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts Theatre Entrance from Car Park No Teas or Library	

Thursday 21 January 2021 10am – 3pm ++++++

Elizabeth Connor has been able to organise acrylic workshops by Mellissa Read- Devine

To be located at 10am “The Painters Shed” at Liz’s home 89 Great Western Highway Blackheath

The area is very comfortable and would be Covid Safe Cost \$90.00 Depending on sufficient numbers (8)

Contact Liz for bookings email daisyconnor@icloud.com

Members would remember Mellissa’s demonstrations at our meetings. She practises painting and printmaking, honing her vibrant optimistic art in harmony with the natural landscape. To find more about Mellissa check her website

SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL FORM - DUE JANUARY 2021

Name(s):(Please Print)

Please find enclosed Cheque / Cash / Postal Order/ Direct Debit Transfer Code

DIRECT DEBIT: SMA BSB: 633108

A/C NO: 149824328

Your Reference: _____ (SMA1 + your initials + surname. ie SMA1jfcitizen for John F Citizen)

Single Membership -	\$40	or
Family Membership -	\$70	two family members at the same address
Newsletter by Post	\$10	cover printing / postage
Total	_____	

Change of Address or phone ?

Please add your E-MAIL address below

TEAR OUT

AND

RETURN

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FORM

Do you want your newsletter by E-MAIL ?

**For renewal of my
membership in the Society
for the year 2021**

HOBBYIST

YES

NO

Please Tick

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PO Box 76, Wentworth Falls, NSW, 2782

Subscription Renewals are due January 1st. Although members who Paid for 2020 will be credited for 2021 as we have had no additional income for 2020 but still some outgoings it would be appreciated if anyone can manage to pay again for 2021

?????? DO YOU WANT THE SMA TO CONTINUE AND GROW ????

Time to start thinking . Annual General Meeting is in March next year.

This means a new Management Committee

Some members have been serving for lengthy periods and would like a rest
or at least a reduction of their work load.

Lets see some hands up and share the load



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

I Wish to be considered for Selection on the

Exhibition Sub-committee

Library Sub-committee

I would like to assist with other non –committee Activities Such As

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EG. Social Activities

Organising Meeting Demonstrators

Publicity

Someone to update Face Book

Catering

????? Or Whatever???



NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2020/2021

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 19th March 2020 at **Wentworth Falls School of Arts Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls**

AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous AGM held on 21st March 2019
2. To receive and accept Annual Financial Report (year ending 31st December 2019)
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) general members.



**WISHING ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES
A HAPPY AND JOYOUS
CHRISTMAS
AND A PEACEFUL, HEALTHY & PRODUCTIVE
2021**

