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No photograph or artwork provided by members. Please consider suggesting one at our meetings.

SMA Vice-President's Report

Peter Ayres and ghost writer Maryanne Bell

It is with regret that our President Lida Szabunia has had to step aside for some time due to ill health. We wish her a speedy recovery and a return to her Presidency.

John Finnerty has resigned from the Committee due to personal reasons but will continue performing the many functions he does for our society with the exception of making DVDs of our Art Demonstrators; he would like someone younger with new ideas on improving the results. John will continue managing the website. At our Management Committee meeting Geoff Tonge indicated that he may manage the society's Facebook Page and Facebook Group. Our society needs our members to volunteer for roles and to encourage younger mountain residents to join our society.

The **Art Together** at 20 Mile Hollow Cafe in Woodford (evenings now 6:30 pm - 9 pm) was a success with different mediums used by novice and exhibiting artists. The first get together had 7 attendees and the last had 10. It is hoped that other artists in the mountains who cannot attend our week day events will continue to participate. Thank you to 20 Mile Hollow Cafe: Ann-Marie and Chris for their encouragement and generosity.

We are seeking volunteers to join the **SMA Art Exhibition Committee** and will ask our membership at the next meeting whether they would consider submitting more artworks. If you take part in the exhibition, please put your hand up to join the committee (see Page 7).

We have as usual excellent art demonstrations booked for the upcoming months.

* Anita White will be giving an art demonstration at our Monthly Meeting this coming 21st July and her preferred medium is painting in oils on board or linen canvas.

<https://anitawhiteart.com.au/exhibitions/>

* Trudy Moore will be demonstrating encaustic artworks using beeswax and oil pastel.

John Ellison delivered a fascinating workshop on 9th July 2022 at St Andrews Church Hall to explore finding one's creative self. John explained that this was normally a 5 day workshop but he chose activities for our 3 hour workshop that were designed to encourage our "left brain" thinking to quieten and step aside, for our creative "right brain".

Don't forget that we will be having a Christmas lunch at Katoomba RSL next week on 28.7.22.

As always please come to the meeting this Thursday 21st July 2022 to register your interest in upcoming events.

Peter Ayres

Vice-President

Art Exhibitions

Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, Katoomba

<https://bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/>

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... please look search online for more artists

Woodford Academy, GWH, Woodford

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/places/woodford-academy/>

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Braemar Gallery, Macquarie Rd, Springwood

<https://bluemountainsculturalcentre.com.au/braemar-gallery/>

... please look search online for more artists

Hawkesbury Gallery, Deerubin Centre, George St, Windsor

<https://www.hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/gallery>

Artistic Endeavour. Contemporary Botanical Artists respond

to the legacy of Banks, Solander and Parkinson.

until 31 July

Nature sculpture by Tracey Deep

until 31 July

Penrith Regional Gallery, Emu Plains

<https://www.penrithregionalgallery.com.au/>

A Girl like You by Christine Bresca

until 1 August

sunrise-Sunset by Todd McMillan and Sarah Mosca

until 4 August

Art Gallery NSW, Domain, Sydney

<https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/>

Archibald, Wynne and Sulman Prizes 2022. Tickets on sale 14 May

until 31 August

Brett Whiteley. Blue and White. at Brett Whiteley Studio, Surry Hills. 30 April

until 16 October

SH Ervin Gallery, Observatory Hill, Sydney

<https://www.shervingallery.com.au/>

2022 Salon De Refuses from Archibald ,Wynne and Sulman Prizes

until 24 June

Museum of Contemporary Art, Circular Quay, Sydney

<https://www.mca.com.au/>

Antony Gormley. Sculpture. Starts 6 August

until 30 October

Have Your Say

No information received from our members.

Calendar

Dates/ Thursdays	Time Activities	Location & Cost
July 2022		
1st 7.7.22	10 am - 1 pm Paint Together	St Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall, Falls Road, Wentworth Falls. Dennis West attending. No booking. \$5 each for Tea/Coffee and to cover rent approx. \$70
2nd 14.7.22	No Activities for members. However our SMA Inc. Committee will meet 12 pm - 2 pm. Held at the Katoomba RSL Club Lounge, Merriwa Street Katoomba.	
3rd 21.7.22	1 pm - 3 pm Monthly Meeting and Artist Demonstration Anita White – Oil On Linen	Wentworth Falls School of Arts, GWH, Wentworth Falls. No Members Choice this week due to The Jamieson Award - please bring an artwork (preferably framed) <u>to donate</u> to our fund-raising raffle. More details re: raffle tickets at this meeting. No booking. \$5 each for Tea/Coffee and to cover rent approx \$70.
4th 28.7.22	10 am - 1 pm En Plein-air Painting or Train Trip to the City	These events replaced with our Christmas Mid Year Lunch Red Poppy Brasserie, Katoomba RLS, Merriwa St. Katoomba. We have 19 people attending. Contact Peter Ayres for more information.
4th Evenings 28.7.22	6 pm - 9 pm Art Together or Art Workshop	20 Mile Hollow, GWH, Woodford https://20molehollow.com.au/ \$5 each to cover rent \$30. Bring own everything. Art Workshop TBA. Note earlier time of 6 pm.
August 2022		
1st 4.8.22	10 am - 1 pm Paint Together	St Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall, Falls Road, Wentworth Falls. Dennis West attending. No booking. \$5 each for Tea/Coffee and to cover rent approx. \$70
2nd 11.8.22	No Activities for members. However our SMA Inc. Committee will meet 12 pm - 2 pm. Held at the Katoomba RSL Club Lounge, Merriwa Street Katoomba.	
3rd 18.8.22	1 pm - 3 pm Monthly Meeting and Artist Demonstration: Trudy Moore - Encaustic with heated beeswax and oil pastels.	Wentworth Falls School of Arts, GWH, Wentworth Falls. Members' Choice with a theme of <u>Portraits - human or animals</u> . Please bring an artwork - selected artwork receives a \$25 art voucher from Colour Art Springwood. No booking. \$5 each for Tea/Coffee and to cover rent approx \$70.
4th 25.8.22	10 am - 1 pm En Plein-air Painting or Train Trip to the City	TBA
4th Evenings 25.8.22	6 pm - 9 pm Art Together or Art Workshop TBA	20 Mile Hollow, GWH, Woodford https://20molehollow.com.au/ \$5 each to cover rent \$30
Calendar Extras 2022		
Saturday	10 am - 1 pm Art Workshop TBA	St Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall, Falls Road, Wentworth Falls. Bookings necessary - bring a guest. Cost \$40 Members, \$50 non-Members.

Exhibitions, Bus Trips etc.

SMA will hold only one exhibition in 2022. As usual it will coincide with the Leura Garden Festival to be held from 1st - 4th October 2022. Due to the short time it is doubtful if members will be able to paint in any of the display gardens (always with the owners' consent).

SMA - Spring Exhibition

Leura Fairways, 19-21 Fitzroy Street, Leura

Set up: Friday 30th September

Open to the public: Saturday 1st to Tuesday 4th October 2022

Official Opening Evening - time TBA Friday 1st October 2022.

This year due to the short time, there will be no judging or prizes or separate sections. You will have a good opportunity to exhibit and sell your artworks including cards.

SMA Art Exhibition Committee.

Coral Jones, Geoff Tonge and Annette Scarlett. Please consider joining this committee. A 2nd meeting to discuss arrangements to be held 3:30 pm after SMA Monthly Meeting and Art Demonstration Thursday (date to be advised) at the Grandview Hotel, GWH Wentworth Falls.

Day Trips

A proposed Friday trip to Dargen to visit the art gallery that was mentioned at our last General Meeting and Demonstration in May did not eventuate. However if interested please contact Coral to investigate and call for participants. <https://www.monkeycreek.com.au/monkeycreekcafe>

Social Holiday/en plein-air

The Management Committee discussed a 5 day trip to Hill End to be held after our SMA Spring Exhibition in October or November. These trips are held during the week from Monday to Friday and are designed to be inexpensive - covering accommodation and transport. Show your interest at our coming Monthly Meeting.

SMA Autumn Exhibition

SMA is planning to hold another exhibition in addition to our usual SMA - Spring Exhibition but to be held at Glenbrook Gallery in a Friday, Saturday and Sunday in April 2023.

Artist Demonstration links and DVDs

Every month John kindly projects and records the highly appreciated artist demonstrations and provides SMA members with a link to be sent separate to our Newsletter and not to be shared due to privacy/copyright reasons. John would like a member to create the DVDs for our library.