

# **December 2011**

**Art** - the production or expression of what is beautiful (esp. visually), appealing, or of more than ordinary significance. (The Macquarie Dictionary)

**Art** - the use of skill and imagination in the creation of aesthetic objects, environments, or experiences that can be shared with others. (Encyclopedia Britannica)

# **Christmas Party!!!**

Join us for a Paint, Pot and Print Christmas Fun Day on Saturday December 17.

The idea is to visit Graeme Schreiber's Bush Rock Gallery at 9:00 am EST (10:00 am DST) We will spend approx 1 hour at the gallery and then head off to Eva and Bent Rasmussens pottery and print studios, Bents Rd, Ballandean, from about 10:30 am – noon EST. Eva has a new press and is happy for people to "have a go". After that we have lunch (dinner? The fare last year was excellent for the price) at Jennings Hotel, followed by a very quick meeting. The cost per person will be \$18. Please RSVP Sue Jurd or myself by Wednesday 14

**Sue 07 4684 3308** or <u>sjurd@halenet.com.au</u> **John 02 6736 3216** or <u>johndonn7@bigpond.com</u>

People from the south may like to meet at 8:00 am EST (9:00 am DST) at Jennings Hotel for car pooling. Of course, attendance at all segments is not obligatory.

Sue's challenge for December is "Celebration" What more could one ask but to be at our Christmas Party.

# **Another Christmas Party !!!**

**Penelope Hillam** is hosting an early evening gathering of SRAG friends at the gallery on **Friday 16 at 6 - 6:30 pm EST**. I am told some special musical entertainment is promised. Penelope would like an RSVP, and if anyone would like to bring a platter it would be

appreciated. All Borderline members are welcome. <a href="mailto:director@srag.org.au">director@srag.org.au</a> or **07 4681 1874.** 

**Congratulations** to Nola Sindel. She won the works on paper section at the recent Armidale Regional Art Prize with her work "An Arrangement of Eucalyptus Fruits and Leaves".

Our next exhibition at the SRAG will be in July 2013. It sounds a long way off, but after "State of Flux" we have a high standard to maintain. The organizing committee will be Louise Jenkins, Gail Wilson and myself, and our first task is to find a suitable and catchy name and if possible a theme that will suit everyone. At our last meeting we brainstormed the topic for ideas, with results ranging from the serious and straight to the playful and humorous (too many to list here). If you have any ideas please let me know.

The entry date for Stanthorpe Art Prize has been extended until December 18 – for

information contact Dee Booth,

deebooth@bigpond.com

Entry forms are available for download on the SRAG website

http://www.srag.org.au/events.php

#### FREE!!!!!

A friend in Brisbane whose business is preparing stretched canvas (usually large) for artists has donated a <u>large</u> supply of his canvas remnants for <u>free</u> distribution to members. Most of it are in rolls 2-3 m long and are 40 – 60 cm wide. The canvas is of top quality (including Belgian linen) and have been primed. If you are interested let me know. I can probably bring some to the Christmas Party.

A reminder that next year the **Tenterfield Show** (January 27, 28, 29) will precede the **Stanthorpe Show** (February 3, 4). Please consider entering works and encourage any nonmember artists to enter both shows. Gail Galloway from Forest to Furniture Gallery has agreed to hang prize-winners from the Tenterfield Show for a month after the show.

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Also **A Brush with Verse** will be on at the **Forest to Furniture Gallery.** The exhibition / Awards night will be **Friday March 30** - with entries due by **March 10**.

**Alan Bruce** will be the Art Prize judge, and **Dr Janie Conway** from USQ (lecturer Creative writing) will judge the poetry.

Below is the prizelist so far – Gail is still confirming sponsors for some categories.

**\$1500** Shire Acquisition Prize

A **\$500** major open prize - Runner Up (TDG Associates)

A **\$400** minor open prize - any medium for works under \$600 (Sexton & Green)

A **\$300** Regional Painting Prize - best painting by residents of Tenterfield & neighbouring shires/ not considering the verse (Ray White Rural)

A feature Prize for best artwork based on a Peter Allen song

A digital/photographic award

Hangers Prize

Peoples Choice

If anyone would like to lend a hand with organizing the exhibition, Gail would love to hear from you. **(02) 6736 3200**.

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#### Take a look at our website!

Louise is always on the lookout for contributions (especially artist statements) and suggestions. Send to

<u>i4ljenkins@hotmail.com</u> or to borderline@granitenet.com.au

Our website is:

http://www.granitenet.com.au/groups/crafts/borderline

User ID and password to members only section: Borderline10 and claudemonet

#### **Monthly Artists @ Lorenza's**

Lorenza's are looking for artists wanting to exhibit during 2012. Contact Lois Strickland on 07 4681 0504 (Allan English is overseas).

Lorenza's Café, 29 Maryland Street, Stanthorpe.

# **Stanthorpe Art Gallery**

November 17 - January 1

# Cory Rossiter – Up close and very personal.

Quirky and confronting photo-portraits of some of Stanthorpe's characters.

Plus prints by **David Aspden** - from the collection.

New opening hours for SRAG 10:00am - 4:00pm (Tues - Fri) 10:00am - 1:00pm (Weekends)

Penelope Hillam (Gallery Director)

Tel: 07 4681 1874

Email: director@srag.org.au
Warwick Art Gallery

# **Cottage Industry**

### November 17 2011 to January 8 2012

An exhibition of art work by six Australian women who have developed small creative businesses in the big world wide web.

Exhibitors: Ngaire Bartlam, Loretta Grayson, Nic Hohn, Dianne Kelly, Kate Mason and Jill van Iperen

# Special Event - RADF Southern Downs Retrospective

You are invited to the official launch of this exhibition featuring a selection of images depicting 20 years of Regional Arts Development Funding in the Southern Downs. Thursday, 8 December 5.30pm to 7.00pm at Warwick Town Hall (RSVP to Sue Organ (07) 46815527 or Sue.Organ@southerndowns.qld.gov.au by Monday 5 December)

#### **Artists Flash Market**

Thursday 15 December from 9.30am to 4pm in the garden outside the Gallery - will feature miniature paintings, original illustrations, glass, art prints, silk wearables and handmade jewellery and more...

#### **Holiday Game Plan**

Warwick Art Gallery is joining other venues in the region to promote the school holiday initiative of the Warwick, Stanthorpe and Tenterfield Visitor Information Centres. Make sure you encourage children to pick up a passport and start collecting stamps - they could win a family pass for a

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Floating Images Hot Air Balloon ride plus other great prizes.

We will present two holiday activities for children between 10 and 22 January 2012 <u>Drawing Life for Kids on Tour</u> will comprise an exciting range of interrelated drawing activities designed to stimulate children's imaginations and be enjoyed with family and friends. Participants will receive a copy of a drawing journal drawn from the QLD Art Gallery Children's Art Centre publication Drawing Life for Kids: My Art Journal. The richly illustrated 'On Tour' journal features 18 drawing activities which have been approved by kids for kids. The journal invites children to record their daily lives, aspirations and imaginings, to treasure forever. Every day 10 -22 January 2012 during normal gallery hours - no booking required - FREE

BUDS club - <u>Ten ways to Draw</u> workshops Thu 12 January 1 - 4 pm ages 6 and over AND Tue 17 January 1 - 4 pm ages 6 and over Children will work in age appropriate groups Bring a water bottle and afternoon tea.

www.warwickartgallery.com.au

**Karina Devine (Gallery Director)** 

Tel: 07 4661 0434

Email: artgallery@warwick.qld.gov.au

#### **Nest Gallery**

We will also be closing our doors over Summer ... just to give us some time to 're-vamp', rest and catch up with family and friends. The gallery will then re-open in March 2012. We thank you for your support for our first year and hope to see you in the gallery in 2012! much thanks,

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#### **Big Time Gallery**

Big Time Gallery, 8/9 Bruxner Hwy, Drake 02 6737 6790

bigtimegallery@gmail.com

### **Glen Innes Art Gallery**

Glen Innes TAFE Exhibition December 9-11 Gala Opening November 12 at 4:00pm Gallery hours are 10am- 4pm (Mon - Fri) 9:30am-12 noon (Sat)

For more information phone the Glen Innes Art Gallery on **02 6730 2610** or **John Lobley** on **02 6732 7073**.

# **Texas Regional Art Gallery**

Until January 7 Watercolour Exhibition By Goondiwindi artist Judy Mayne and Brisbane Artist Anne McWilliam.

The gallery is located in the Texas Cultural Centre and is open 10am – 4pm (Tues to Fri) and 10am – 1pm (Sat) Tel: 07 4653 2614

# **Armidale Art Gallery**

November 19 – December 16

Sonia Carlbergg – Abstract, and an evolementof line, form and colour.

Marika Byant – From Mountains to the Sea For more information 02 6772 9993

www.armidaleartgallery.com

I am not sure there will be a newsletter for next month. I will see how things go. But I hope everybody has a Merry Christmas and an artful, prosperous (from art) and happy New Year.

Next Meeting will follow our Christmas celebrations at the Jennings Hotel. Everyone is welcome and the challenge is just to be there.