

Newsletter December 2012

Greetings

!!!!!The Borderline Christmas Party Saturday, December 15 !!!!!

Christmas Party – All those coming from the south to arrive at the Jennings Hotel at **8am EST/9am DST**. They will then travel to Maggie Brockie's Studio. All those travelling from the north to meet at Maggie's by **9am EST**. A Christmas Lunch will be served at the Jennings Hotel. Sue needs numbers for the luncheon by **Dec 7**. <u>sjurd@halenet.com.au</u>, or **07 46843308**.

In September this year, Borderliners Gail Wilson, Michelle Cockburn and Louise Jenkins attended a 5 day workshop with well known landscape artist Patrick Carroll at Fay Boyd's Art School (also a Borderline member) in Grafton. At the November Borderline meeting, Louise, supported by Gail, shared some of the wisdom passed down from "a terrific artistic mentor". Here are some extracts from the 67 pages of notes Louise took to compliment hundreds of photos of Patrick's work in progress.

- There is no formula & there are no shortcuts.
- Do it for yourself, first.
- Your artistic license is your most powerful tool, and you have not just the right, but an obligation to use it
- Paint not the tree, but the abstract vertical. This is your objective obligation. The viewer them looks at your marks subjectively – and may call it a tree – or not! You must also do this, but then put your objectivity hat on to paint further.

- Preliminary marks are important to capture the drama, claim the painting as your own, and provide a structure to hang your marks on.
- 80% of the painting is note taking, where everything is up for grabs, and the painting as a whole is more important than its parts.

The workshop was about providing an insight into how one person paints, and finding/freeing the painter within each individual student.

On Friday afternoon (November 30), an **Ideas Forum** for a **Community Sculpture Program** in Tenterfield Shire, was held at the old Tenterfield Railway Station. The meeting (chaired by Gail Galloway) lasted most of the afternoon, and was well attended by community members,

councillors (including the mayor) and managerial staff.

Guest speakers were **Jane Kreis** from Arts NorthWest, **Christine Porter**, a well known artist from Lismore, and **Paul Stumkat**, a sculptor from Killarney who has much experience with Public Art, and who also facilitated the lively discussion.

The mayor, Cr. Peter Petty said all the new council is very supportive of any efforts in this area.

As the TSC Draft Arts Policy is in the final stages of development, any action in this regard needs to be made quickly, so it was decided to meet Monday to discuss these matters.

Also, two major sandstone sculptures by the late **Chris Humphreys** have been donated to the community by his sister Anne. As yet no decision as to their placement has been made.

Nola Sindel had a successful time at the recently held **"Floressence"** botanical art exhibition in Brisbane. Her prizewinning paintings **"Territory Dreaming"** and

"Eucalyptus Fruit and Nuts" both sold. She also demonstrated her techniques at the show. (It was good to see the show had a category for botanical artists who want to take a more contemporary approach. Ed.)

A New Art and Craft Outlet in Tenterfield

"The Old Shop Art Studio"

Jean Braid's successful gallery event during the Tenterfield Wine and Food Festival will be repeated for a week commencing **Dec 8**. See last month's newsletter for more information. Jean can be contacted on **02 6736 4290**

Tenterfield Show 2013

February 8,9,10

The **Fine Arts Schedule** has been revamped, and thanks to new sponsorship, prize money has been increased (including **\$150** from **Jumbuck Motor Inn** for Best Work of the Show)

Other changes are a special category for the **Young Artist (21 and under)**

And a category called **'Artworks Out of Anything'** which is an opportunity for <u>everyone and anyone</u> to be creative; using recyclable waste materials, odds and ends, old mechanical or farm equipment etc.

There is also a **Hanger's Prize** (\$25) and a **People's Choice Award** (the prize will come from donations made at the time of voting) Artists will be able to make arrangements for delivering works prior to the show by contacting the chief steward.

We would like to build up the Fine Arts Section at the show, so please spread the word.

John Donnelly (Chief Steward) 02 67363216

http://www.tenterfieldshow.org.au/

And remember the **Stanthorpe Show** is on the week before. **February 1**(Fri) and **2** (Sat)

http://www.granitenet.com.au/groups/tourism /agsociety/show

Stanthorpe Art Gallery

December 6 - January 13

The Batterbee Collection by Laurel Hall,former local artist, will focus on the Stanthorpe Region with a mix of realism and semi-abstract paintings.

Coming Home by Lloyd Nolan Hornsby.

Lloyd is a contemporary Aboriginal artist whose work, while making use of familiar dot techniques, is not of the "conventional" indigenous style.

Acting Director: Lynda Blackstock **07 4681 1874**

admin@srag.org.au http://www.srag.org.au/index.php

Lorenza's Café

Maggie Brockie is the December Artist of the Month. For information about exhibitions at Lorenza's - contact Allan English on 07 4681 0504 or 0434673663.

Maggie is also on show in an exhibition at the Butter Factory Art Centre, Cooroy. Morocco – A Creative Journey Dec 6 – January 26

"Inspired by the deep cultural history, rich architectural traditions and wildly varied landscapes from Marrakesh to the Moroccan Sahara, this exhibition of two and three dimensional artworks reflects the creative responses of a group of Queensland artists who recently journeyed this ancient trade route. Diverse artistic interpretations have evolved from their experiences of this land and its exotic blend of Arabic, Spanish and African influences".

Tuesday to Saturday, 10am-4pm 10 Maple Street, Cooroy Qld 4565 **07 5454 9050** www.galleries.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

Lockyer Valley Art Gallery

Until January 20 "With a Little Help From My Friends...On Tour" by Lois Strickland, Allan English, Barbara Willcocks, Norm Clayton Opening on Friday Dec 14 at 6:00pm LVAG, Gatton. RSVP 07 54663434 by Wed Dec 12

Warwick Art Gallery

November 22 to January 6 2013 A Seasonal Offering Warwick Quilters and Textile Artists The WQ & TA Group has a membership of diverse artists and crafters with the common love of textiles.

This biennial exhibition comes at a time of change for the group, as they have recently joined forces with the Warwick Artists Group Inc.

Call for Entries

Southern Downs Artists are invited to participate in the third exhibition and awards for our local artists. The exhibition dates are

14 February to 31 March and all Southern Downs Granite Belt and Border Area

artists and craftworkers are invited to participate. Entry forms will be available soon from Warwick Art Gallery.

Section 1 - 2D Work Section 2 - 3D Work

Section 3 - Wearable Art/Contemporary Textiles

Karina Devine (Gallery Director) Tel: 07 4661 0434

Email: <u>artgallery@warwick.qld.gov.au</u> <u>www.warwickartgallery.com.au</u>

Big Time Gallery

"All New Episodes"by Scott G Watson

This collection of work includes paintings which were previously shown at both Byron Bay and Ballina earlier this year.

There will be a closing gathering on Friday December 7. 4pm - 7pm.

Big Time Gallery, 8/9 Until December 7 Bruxner Hwy, Drake 02 6737 6790

bigtimegallery@gmail.com

Glen Innes Art Gallery

In December, the local TAFE have their exhibition

The Glen Innes art Gallery Inc. are inviting artists to take part in their **Contemporary** Exhibition **"Expect the Unexpected"** which will be held from the **I8th March – 5th April 2013**.

The exhibition is open to all members whose work the gallery are familiar with.Others will need to send photos of their work (by email or post) for assessment by the committee. Contact the gallery (or John Lobley 02 6732 7073 or johnlobley@bigpond.com)

There will be a **Gala Opening** of this exhibition on *Saturday 16th March from 4pm*.

PO Box 400 Glen Innes 2370 Tel: 02 6730 2610 giartgallery@gmail.com

Texas Art Gallery

Until January 12 2013 Murris in Ink A Qld Arts Council Touring exhibition by Umbrella Studio of linocuts by Indigenous printmakers. Gallery Hours: Tues-Fri 10am-4pm Sat 10am- 1pm Tel 07 4653 2614

New England Regional Art Museum (NERAM)

Nov 16 - Feb 3 "Not the Way Home" 13 Artists Paint the Desert

In May 2011, 13 prominent Australian artists ventured to the Barrier Ranges in north western New South Wales, for an epic journey into the vast landscape of Australia's arid desert. Each artist responded to the landscape in their unique way. Artists featuring in Not the Way Home include: Margaret Ackland, Elisabeth Cummings, Merran Esson, Joe Frost, Alan Jones, Jennifer Keeler-Milne, Ross Laurie, Steve lopes, Euan Macleod, Idris Murphy, Amanda Penrose Hart, Peter Sharp and Guy Warren.

It is worth checking their website for future exhibitions eg.

Jacaranda Drawing Award 2012 May 3-June 23

Archibald 2012 March 15 – April 28 http://www.neram.com.au/

Life is short, art long, opportunity fleeting, experience treacherous, judgment difficult. Hippocrates (460-400 BC)

There will be no newsletter next month. Merry Christmas and all the best for 2013