



September 2011

When I let go of what I am – I become what I might be. (Lao Tzu – a 6th century Chinese philosopher)

Our art exhibition "**State of Flux**" opened at the **Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery** last Friday evening (August 26) to an enthusiastic response from everyone who attended.

The show was opened by **Helen Grant**, the editor of the "**Australian Artist**" magazine, who said she had not expected a show of such a high quality, and commented that perhaps cross-border communities have an extra creative vitality. She noted the names of at least a half dozen artists, whose work she thought deserved special mention.

The diversity of the show, both in subject and medium, successfully reflected the exhibition's title "State of Flux".

Early in the planning stage, we wondered whether we would be able to fill the Stanthorpe Gallery, but the results show there was no need for concern. With **120 works** from **31 artists**, the exhibition is a "must see" event.

The exhibition was beautifully "hung" by the Gallery Director **Penelope Hillam**, and her team, with the recently created white walls of the gallery showing the works to advantage. Penelope is already talking about having us back next year (it is two years since the last one).

Many thanks are due to all the artists who participated, with special thanks to **Maggie Brockie**, **Margaret Dowe** and **Sue Jurd** for all the work they did towards making the show one to be remembered. It has been suggested that the exhibition (or a selection) could be sent to another gallery. As well showing the work of Borderline artists to a wider audience, it would be great exposure for Borderline itself.

Also, don't forget our "**Shine**" exhibition at the Glen Innes Art Gallery from **Oct 10 – Nov 4**. It is only a small gallery so works will be limited to two per artist, and the works should not be large. There is no particular theme or medium (as yet, we are not sure if free-standing works can be entered). Linda, Nola and I are visiting the gallery this Thursday (Sept 1) to finalize arrangements. Works can be delivered to the gallery, or brought to my place (5 Jubilee Street Tenterfield) and I will take them down. Likewise for collection afterwards.

The opening will on **Saturday Oct 8 at 4:00pm**. **RSVP Thursday Oct 6** johnlobley@bigpond.com (Or to Nola Sindel). Hopefully we will be able to do some car pooling for the opening.

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We, at Borderline would like to extend our sincere sympathy to **Lu Potter and family** on the sad passing of her husband **Kel**. Unfortunately, word did not reach us in time to notify members of the funeral. Lu was one of the early Borderline members and is still interested in our activities. Many members will be familiar with Lu's amazing drawings.

A little late, but congratulations to **Nola Sindel** who won the Best Flora Award in the Faber-Castell Art Prize organized recently in Brisbane by the Qld. Wildlife Artist's Society. Her work was called "Arrangement of Eucalyptus Fruits and Leaves". The prize was a beautiful Faber boxed set of 100 pastels, which Nola is considering selling. If interested contact Nola.

Maggie Brockie, ceramicista and Borderline member is again offering her **Spring Workshops**.

Sunday September 11 - One day Tile Making Workshop Cost - **\$85** due by the August 31.

September 24-25 Weekend Workshop - Garden Sculpture. Cost - **\$200** (\$75 deposit by

Sept.10) which includes tuition, 2 blocks of raku clay and a bisque firing; gourmet whole food lunches, morning and afternoon teas passionately prepared by local foodie, **Laura Fletcher**.

Saturday November 12 - Surface Finishes - fired and unfired - Cost - **\$65** due by October 28.

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Stanthorpe Art Gallery

There is something on at the SRAG this month, but I seem to have lost the details. However I recall it runs until October 2, and that there is an artist's floor talk on Sunday September 11 at 11:00 am.

NB: the gallery is now closed on Mondays.

Penelope Hillam (Gallery Director)

Tel: 07 4681 4021

Email: director@srag.org.au

Warwick Art Gallery

August 11 - September 18

Visual Connections

Warwick Artist Group and Warwick

Woodcrafters - The exhibition features a range of paintings from traditional landscapes and still lives to emotive abstracts, and the craftsmanship of the local woodcrafters.

September 29 - November 13

Collective Choice

Warwick Art Gallery project creating access to works from the Southern Downs Regional Council collection.

www.warwickartgallery.com.au

Karina Devine (Gallery Director)

Tel: 07 4661 0434

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Monthly Artists @ Lorenza's Lorenza's Café, 29 Maryland Street,

Stanthorpe. There is an exhibition of works by various artists, including Allan English, Lois Strickland, and Norm Clayton. Lorenza's has been an important and successful exhibiting space for up and coming artists in the Stanthorpe area. Unfortunately, the cafe has been on the market for quite a while, so its future is a bit uncertain.

Contact Allan English on 07 4681 0504 for details about exhibiting.

Nest Gallery

"Art on Amiens" – an art trail showcasing contemporary art of the Granite Belt, and involving nine venues in the Amiens Road area opens at **Nest Gallery on Friday September 2 at 6:00 pm.**, and runs through Spring. Borderline artists such as Sue Jurd, Maggie Brockie, Maryke Miller, Keith Cameron, Eva and Bent Rasmussen and Michael Pieper are among those represented.

RSVP: Emma **07 4683 3197** or

emma@nestgallery.com.au

www.nestgallery.com.au

1257 Amiens Road, Stanthorpe 4380

And check the website for workshops being offered by Nest gallery

Big Time Gallery

Until September 20 - An exhibition of paintings by **Sally Goldstein**, the art teacher at the Bonalbo High School, and **Scott Watson**.

From September 24 – October 24

**Three exhibitions in One Space
Living Next Door to Ellis, Don't Fence Me In
and OUT ...back.**

The three founding members of **Revolutionary Ceramicos** - **Deborah Gower, Cassandra Purdon & Clare Urquhart** - will be exhibiting together for the first time at Big Time Gallery. All three artists are currently in their final year of Advanced Diploma of Fine Arts (Ceramics) and are showcasing their skills by presenting work which expresses each artist's distinctive ceramic practice.

To see more about the artists and their work see

www.deborahgowerceramics.com

www.earthfirespirit.com

Everyone is welcome to attend the Opening Celebrations on **September 4 at 1:00pm.**

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

bigtimegallery@gmail.com

Inverell Art Gallery

September 17 – October 5

Works by local artists **Tracey Buxton** and **Carolyn McCosker**.

Opens Saturday **September 17** at **5:30 pm**.
Entry \$10

Entries are invited for **the Inverell Art Society Competitive Exhibition 2011** **\$5150** in Prize Money, plus the Inverell Shire Council Annual Acquisition of **\$3500**.

Special feature this year is **Contemporary Art**; and a new section, called **Young Artist**, has been added for 15 to 22 year olds.

Entries close September 30

Exhibition opens with a Gala Cocktail Evening, Saturday, **October 15 at 7.30pm** (Admission \$25), and then continues until **October 29**.

Entry forms are available from the Inverell Art Gallery, PO Box 329, 5 Evans St, Inverell NSW 2360. (Nola and I have a few available)

Email: invar@bigpond.com.au

Ph 02 6722 4983

Glen Innes Art Gallery

From **September 5 – September 30** the show is the biennial **Glen Archies Competitive Portrait Exhibition**.

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

Texas Regional Art Gallery

September 6 – October 15

Local Artist Exhibition

A collection of works in any medium by local artists who live within 100km of Texas. The gallery is located in the Texas Cultural Centre and is open **10am – 4pm Tues to Friday** and **10am – 1pm Sat**. Tel: **07 4653 2614**

Armidale Art Gallery

The Armidale Regional Art Prize is on from the end of October. Details and entry forms can be found on their website (Nola has some entry forms also).

www.armidaleartgallery.com

Louise Jenkins is now our **Website Co-ordinator** and is keen to make our website an important part of our activities; which is how it

should be in the modern world, especially if we want to survive, and attract younger members. She will need our help and encouragement, and it will take time. As well as a tool for sharing our own happenings etc., it is also a window through which others can find out what we are about, and what we do.

Louise can be contacted at

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Our website is:

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

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

Thank you to all who responded to the questionnaire (20 replies). I will send out the results at a later date. However, it was good to get some feedback, and thus food for thought - it was not meant as a decision making tool. While most people thought Borderline was going reasonably well in fulfilling hopes, and as a functioning organization, there is certainly room for improvement. Almost half felt distance was a barrier to participating in activities, and that more locally based groups may be a way to go. And most people joined partly to interact with other artists. Unfortunately, not many suggestions, comments, etc were received.

I am now Chief Steward for the **Tenterfield Show Fine Arts** section. I have made major changes to the schedule details, which are yet to be printed. The show is in **February** (and is preceded by the **Stanthorpe Show**) so please keep us both in mind.

**Next Meeting is Saturday,
September 17 at 8:30 AEST.
We think at Maggie Brockie's
studio. More info later.
The challenge is "delight".
Everyone is welcome.**