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BOWRAL DISTRICT
ART SOCIETY INC

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



GALLERY NEWS

IMPORTANT NEWS ON THE ARTS TRAIL

Now the important thing to remember this week is that due to a muddle or slight confusion between this office (me) and the WSC office – the BDAS has not been included in the Arts Trail Map this year.

SO.... What I need you all to do is rally the troops and get the word around to EVERYONE that the BDAS is open for amazing business all weekend and this is what you have to tell them:

1. In the gallery - is **Rosa Daniella** Diaz with here exhibition **Wanderings & Contemplation**
2. In Studio 1 - **Students from Tracey Miller's 3 classes** displaying their works
3. In Studio 2 - **Students from Walter Brecely's Jewellery and Sculpture class** displaying their works
4. In Studio 3 - We have the BDAS Printmakers

So really – this is a little like the Spirit of the Blitz or the Twilight Bark from 101 Dalmations.... We need YOU to get the word around and bring people along to see these 4 fabulous exhibitions/studios



MORE ON WANDERINGS AND CONTEMPLATION

I am waiting with anticipation for Rosa Daniella Diaz to arrive this morning as the images and information she has sent through seem really unique and beautiful.

Wanderings and contemplation is a culmination of 2 life changing experiences. A residency at Bigci in the Wollemi National Park earlier this year and the completion of my Master of Art degree from UNSW Art and Design (COFA).

[Now to find out more about Wanderings and Contemplation just click here.....](#)



HOT OFF THE PRESSES....

Pauline Birnie and Tanya Challenor will be mounting a last minute exhibition – it is so hot that I have yet to hear what the title is going to be. All I can tell you is that it is going to be a beauty from the images that Pauline has sent through of her work. I will give you all the information next week when it is all in.

[Although I can give you a little taste of it by giving you what I have so far from Pauline – so click here for a taster.....](#)

So stay tuned for more updates on this one – we all love a bit of a mystery now don't we!

CHRISTMAS PARTY NEWS!

OK – not there yet with a flyer but give us time.... What I can tell you is that the **Christmas Party will be on Saturday 10 December** so mark it off in your diaries NOW! All you need to know is that it will be a really fun evening and everyone is very welcome to attend.

SMALL CANVASES TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE OFFICE

Now in case you are not aware.... As one of the fun events at the Christmas Party we have a little lucky dip gift of a small canvas – kindly painted by our members – to give to everyone who attends.

This is a really lovely idea and it has been going for a few years now. So if you would like to paint a little canvas to be given out as a gift at the Christmas Party please pop in to see me in the office. You can paint whatever you wish (it isn't a Christmas theme) and it is just a really fun and generous thing to do – remember Christmas is a great time for generosity and what can be more in keeping than giving your time to paint a small gift. What FUN!!!



WORKSHOP NEWS

Well I am not sure that I have anything really to report on this week with the workshops – everything seems to be going along swimmingly with the weekly classes. Whenever I pop over to check if everyone is behaving themselves – there seems to be only happy faces and busy artists – which is just the way we want it.

I am hoping to finalise the workshop form for next term soon so that will be coming out to you shortly.

BUS TRIP TO VERSAILLES

Where else can you get a trip to Versailles for only \$55 and there and back in 1 day?

Well we really have outdone ourselves to be able to offer this exciting day out to you – so get on board (literally) and book in for this wonderful day.

We have a 48 seater bus so we need as many people as possible to come along to fill the bus – not to put to fine a point on it – but we need 44 to break even. So ask your friends, family – heck even your enemies are welcome. Everyone is guaranteed a fun day!

Do let me know if you would like to come

It is on Thursday 15 December and leaves the BDAS at 8:30am and returns around 5pm

[To find out more just click here.....](#)

ARTS TRAIL INFORMATION

Don't forget to check out the BDAS when you do your arts trail this weekend

[Click here for further information on all the other studios open for business....](#)



COMMUNITY NEWS

Congratulations to Robyn Kinsela

who has won the Acquisitive St George Art Prize with Vietnam Veterans' Visible Silence

BDAS Member's Exhibitions out and about

Kim Shannon is having an exhibition with Alison Mackay & Maryanne Wick in Gallery one @ FORM in Queanbeyan until 21 November called the Nature of Things – Still Life Paintings. This one would be worth a trip down to Canberra! [To view the invite just click here....](#)

A-F Fulgence has an exhibition called **Real Mean & Their Dogs** showing from 12 – 21 November at the Shoalhaven City Arts Centre in Nowra. So I have a fantastic idea – go down via Nowra then on to Queanbeyan – what a great weekend out for you all.

Tony Ameneiro – Head Over Head is showing at the Wollongong Art Gallery until 5 February – just a thought but check out Tony's Exhibition then on to A-F's and then finishing off with Kim's in Queanbeyan....

Leanne Booth has a fantastic exhibition on at Ten Thousand Paces called Vicissitude – open until 18 November

And if you are down Narooma way then call in to see **Janet Jones' Who's Who** at SoART Gallery – on until 15 November



OTHER NEWS ABOUT THE PLACE

Sturt: Shift – an exhibition of new work by graduating students from Sturt School for Wood is on from 19 Nov – 14 Dec

BOAA – Biennale of Australian Art in Ballarat - is calling for expressions of interest and artists must register via <http://www.boaa.net.au/expressionsofinterest> to be considered

Face Me: Portraits of people in the Southern Highlands

Promotions are beginning for the portrait competition and exhibition for the next Brigadoon Festival to celebrate the Bundanoon Highland Gathering's 40th anniversary.

A portrait competition and exhibition titled 'Face Me: Portraits of people in the Southern Highlands' is open to all artists in the area. The subject has to reside or work in Bundanoon or elsewhere in the Southern Highlands.

Artworks in all formats except photography will compete for a \$1000 Judge's Prize and a \$500 People's Choice Prize. Works will be exhibited between 23 March and 2 April 2017 in the Conference Centre at the Bundanoon Country Inn Motel.

Those interested in entering the competition can find more information including the Conditions of Entry and an Entry Form on the new Brigadoon website at www.brigadoon.org.au/festival/faceme/

Please contact the organiser, Jim Gillespie, by email or by phone if you have any queries or to register your interest.

email: faceme@brigadoon.org.au phone: 4883 7675

WEATHER AND OTHER.....

In a bit of a fog this week ... still recovering from a trip up to Sydney on the weekend for my 35th school reunion.... Yes – I know – doesn't it seem like a funny number to celebrate! When my friend sent through the email – I thought she had made a typo – surely she means 25 years!!!! Anyway despite some serious trepidation on my part – due to the fact it was a harbour cruise and I get seasick on Flannigans Afloat.... It turned out to be a really fun night – catching up with lots of lovely people and one very rude fellow who said that I was squawky – like a magpie at school. I told him that I thought was a bit of a cutie at school and he said – no... squawky like a magpie.... How rude!



Weather today is grey and miserable – which actually isn't a bad thing – as even I have to admit that we do need the rain. What a shame that it rained last night whilst we were asleep. We wanted to test the roof and guttering on the carport – as it hasn't rained since it all went on – and I will tell you now that there was no way I was getting up in the storm to check things out! It will have to wait – and judging by the dullness outside – I might get a chance later today. Fingers crossed it all goes down the right holes and the drainage system we created works..... to be continued.

I haven't got any little bits of silliness today as I just haven't had a moment to think of them. So it will have to wait until next week. I guess you will all be glued to the radio and TV this afternoon to hopefully see that ridiculous man DT defeated – fingers crossed on that one!

So have a great week and don't forget to check out the BDAS Arts Trail and tell everyone you meet to do so too!

REMEMBER THE TWILIGHT BARK worked in 101 Dalmations

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