



# LIGHT&SHADE

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THE SOCIETY MEETS ON  
2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

## from the President

Hello All,

Welcome to 2024. Happy New Year and I hope you all had a safe and happy celebration for Christmas and bringing in your New Year. The year of the Dragon according to Chinese Zodiac.

I hope you had some time to do some of your creative projects during the holidays.

New Year is always a time of reflection and renewal. We are looking forward to many arty endeavours as a Society this coming year, starting off with our first Members Meeting on Tuesday 13th February welcoming Demonstrator Jose Gutierrez working with Oils. Jose is currently President of the Drummoyne Art Society and it is great to have our Societys' intermingling with each other.

The Wednesday Art Group will continue at the Clarendon Showgrounds for the moment with the first gathering of the year on Wednesday 7th February, and our first Portrait Group begins on Saturday 10th February.

We are looking forward to the Royal Easter Show in March, as well as the Hawkesbury Show coming up in April (entries close 2nd April).

Our Kids Holiday Workshops have been a great success and the Term 1 classes are already filling up.

We are starting to plan for our Autumn Exhibition and Workshops coming up as well.

Our Calendar for the year is now available and I hope you can get involved with our activities to help progress your art and mix with art enthusiasts in our Society.

We are still searching for a new home and let's hope 2024 will bring more joy in this department. We will still have our involvement with the Secret Garden this year and are very grateful to them for their help with storage etc. We are interested in new arty endeavours, if you have any in mind let us know!

Stay creative and see you all soon,  
Satya

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*"Don't think about making art, just get it done.  
Let everyone else decide if  
it's good or bad, whether they love it or hate it.  
While they are deciding ,make even more art."*

Andy Warhol

## DEMONSTRATION

### NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 13th February 2024 7.30pm

Stan Stevens Studio, Deerubbin Centre,  
Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct, George St, Windsor

The basement carpark closes at 7.45pm

\$5 entry includes supper

### Jose Gutierrez – Oils



*Jose Gutierrez received his fine arts training at a very young age in Chile. After 6 years of art studies, he joined a local advertising agency in Santiago where he became a graphic designer in his late teens.*

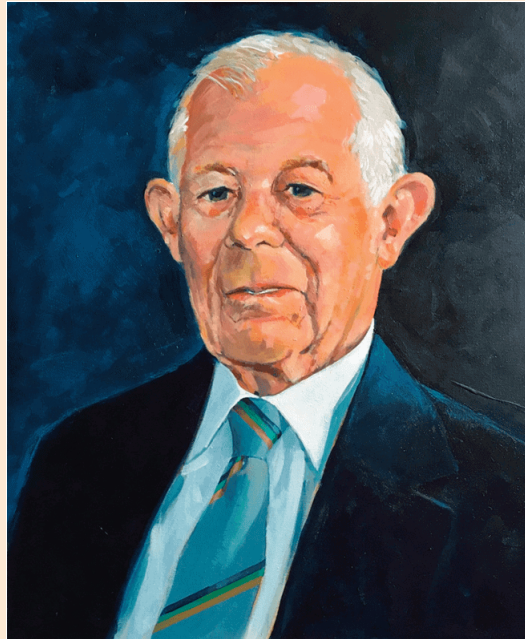
*In 1972, at age 27, Jose and his family migrated to Australia. He continued working in graphic design upon his arrival in the country and after 3 years of employment, he opened his own graphic design practice in Sydney. He has owned and managed this business for nearly 30 years.*

*Aside from his business activities, he continued painting and drawing. He attended art refreshers, workshops, and art classes – Bathurst Summer & Winter workshops, Royal Art Society, etc.*

*Jose also became a member of the Drummoyne Art Society (DAS), and is currently the President.*

*With DAS he has participated in many activities and exhibitions of the society. Jose is a passionate and motivated artist who enjoys teaching, painting, and discussing art. He now teaches classes using various mediums at gallery57, Concord.*

*His mediums of preference are oils, watercolours, acrylics, and drawing. He is also attracted to digital art, computer work, photography, and technology.*



You can see more of Jose's work here:  
[www.josegutierrezart.wordpress.com](http://www.josegutierrezart.wordpress.com)  
[www.drummoyneart.com/gallery/](http://www.drummoyneart.com/gallery/)



## CLASSES

### MTAS CHILDREN'S AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

*Teacher Marcella Pyke*

**on 12th & 14th February 2024**

**Term fees of \$96 paid via direct deposit to MTAS,**

**Cash or by Creative Kids Vouchers.**

ENROLMENTS ESSENTIAL

Richmond Art Supplies

328 Windsor St, Richmond (next to Bryn norms)

**Ph: Deidre 0412 979 731**

### PORTRAIT GROUP

MTAS Portrait Group meets 2nd Saturday each month, 1- 4pm, \$15. Model, easels & afternoon tea provided.

BYO Painting/Drawing materials.

**Next session Saturday 10th February**

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### Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop

There are a number of ceramic/pottery classes held using the pottery wheels and kilns at K13.

The beginner pottery classes are now complete with no further classes planned until 2024.

The third Saturday of every month is a social day from 1pm to 4pm.

Enquiries - [hcaworkshop@yahoo.com](mailto:hcaworkshop@yahoo.com) Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop PO Box 522, Richmond NSW 2753

## CASS REPORT

On several occasions CASS artists have been invited to paint en plein air in the gardens of Government House, Sydney. The Go Ernie's office has advised they have re-opened for tours and open days again and the next big Open Day will be Friday 26 January 2024 (12pm to 6pm) and then the Jazz at the House sessions will resume on the 1st Sunday of each month, starting with Sunday 4 February 2024.

All are welcome to spend some creative time in the gardens!

The CASS online sale concludes on the 31 January, thank you to all who participated.

Kym

## FIELD DAY

For venue or information, please ring Tony White 0410 624 918 or NAS website for further information <http://nepeanartsociety.wildapricot.org/plein-air-painting-group>

## FOHacRG Inc.

A delightful three course German cuisine end of year Christmas luncheon was enjoyed by members at the beautifully decorated home of Margaret Ginnings. The cooks, Margaret, Jennie and Mark worked hard planning and preparing the lunch, and everyone enjoyed it immensely.

The Recycling Initiative started in 2023 by one of our environmentally aware Committee Members has provided a windfall of \$650 for the Donations Account from the recovery of 10 cents recyclable cans and bottles. Members interested in taking part in this initiative should contact Margaret on 4577 4440.

## MTAS Art Group

**at the new venue 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month.  
from 10am – 4pm**

**Wednesday group new venue.** Next dates 7th and 21st February 2024

The Horse Judges Hut at the Hawkesbury showgrounds is the new venue for our 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month.

Enter by Gate 4 (the carpark gate) and drive taking the 3rd road on the right to take you to the far side of the show ring. The hut is a separate building on the right with some gravel parking. It has a shady verandah with chairs and nearby toilets.

Inside there is air conditioning, fridge, sink, kettle, microwave, tables and chairs. The HDAA are kindly allowing us to use this for \$2 per head.

If you have suggestions for a new place for us or could offer any assistance please contact our President Satya at 0483 895 098 or email [info@mtas.com.au](mailto:info@mtas.com.au).



## EXHIBITIONS

From major establishments to small independently run initiatives, Sydney's gallery scene is dynamic and diverse. Permanent and visiting exhibitions give you the work of up-and-coming artists

**The Artery Contemporary Aboriginal Art Gallery** in Darlinghurst specialises in art from remote Aboriginal communities, working with both emerging and established creatives and art centres and specialising in ethical and affordable Aboriginal artworks.

### Brett Whiteley Studio

2 Raper Street Surry Hills NSW 2010 Australia  
(02) 9225 1881 [brettwhiteleystudio@ag.nsw.gov.au](mailto:brettwhiteleystudio@ag.nsw.gov.au)  
Explore one of Sydney's best kept secrets: the Brett Whiteley Studio, where one of Australia's most celebrated artists of the 20th century lived and worked from 1988 to 1992.

The Brett Whiteley Studio is managed by the Art Gallery of New South Wales.

### Carriageworks

245 Wilson Street, Eveleigh NSW (02) 8571 9099  
Carriageworks is the largest and most significant contemporary multi-arts centre of its kind in Australia. Carriageworks is open 10am - 6pm daily

## BDAS and Bowral Art Gallery

### Waterbrook Prize for Landscape Art

Entry forms due 17 April  
Judged by Jacqueline Balassa

### Bowral Sculpture Prize

New sponsors this year AJA + MHDP Architects with increased prize money of \$6,000  
Entry forms due 22 May  
Judged by Dave Ball and Greer Taylor

### The Agency Still Life Prize

Entry forms due 10 July  
Judged by Maryanne Wick

### Tim Copes Portrait Prize

Entry forms due 4 September  
Judged by Kate Stevens

Bowral Art Gallery  
Incorporated under the  
Bowral & District Art Society  
Phone: 02 4861 4093 E:[office@bdasgallery.com](mailto:office@bdasgallery.com)

## RICHMOND ART SUPPLIES

5% DISCOUNT FOR MTAS MEMBERS

QUALITY FINE ART MATERIALS  
CLASSES & GALLERY  
Weekly Classes

- Oils, Drawing, Acrylics Watercolours & Pastels 2hrs \$25
- Friday All media Class 3hrs \$30
- Portraits - 2nd Saturday \$12
- Local Artists Gallery \$4 for 4 months per painting hanging fee
- 20% commission on painting sales

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## FRIDAY ART CLASS

*with Deidre Morrison*  
All media

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in relaxed, friendly  
atmosphere.*

Every Friday 12.30 - 3.30pm.  
\$30 p.w.

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Before 20th of the month



## EXHIBITIONS

### Hawkesbury Regional Gallery & Museum

Ph 4560 4441, closed Tuesday

#### *Paper*

Paper will explore the physical and conceptual possibilities of paper.

Paper as a material is at its simplest ordinary, unpretentious; it is functional and efficient. And despite our existence in the 'digital age', paper remains a pervasive part of the day to day.

Perhaps because of its ordinariness, the 'possibilities of paper', particularly in the hands of the creative and inquisitive mind, can be simply extraordinary.

Paper will explore the contemporary use of 'paper', through diverse media including sculpture and installation, video, drawing, painting, collage, photography, and jewellery.

Until Sunday 10th March 2024

#### **Art Gallery NSW**

Vasily Kandinsky:

This in-depth retrospective of one of the early 20th Century's most notable modernists is coming to the Art Gallery of NSW from Saturday, November 4 to March 2024.



#### **Purple Noon**

606 Terrace Rd, Freemans Reach Ph: 4579 6579

CLOSED: Monday/Tuesday/ Wednesday

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As we reopen our doors, Purple Noon Gallery is excited to embark on a journey through 2024, showcasing groundbreaking works and emerging talents in the art world.

The gallery will resume regular gallery hours for the rest of the summer period. Our exhibition program starts in late February/March with our first show, shining a light on a group of PNG artists poised to make a significant impact this year

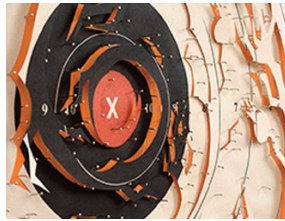


#### **The Village Kitchen Kurrajong**

83 Old Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Village

Ph:4573 0988

Samar Thaanan 3rd February - 9th March



Jocelyn Maughan<sup>OAM</sup>

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# PARIS

Impressions of Life

16 March - 14 July



Bendigo Art Gallery is pleased to announce a major exhibition from the oldest municipal museum in Paris, the Musée Carnavalet. Exclusive to Bendigo Art Gallery, Paris: Impressions of Life 1880–1925 takes visitors on a journey through the lively and picturesque streets of historic Paris.

The busy banks of the Seine, bustling marketplaces, grand boulevards, idyllic public gardens, and the heady atmosphere of bohemian Montmartre are brought to life in more than 170 works of art and artisan objects. From the renowned collection of the Musée Carnavalet, the iconic museum of the history of Paris, this exhibition reflects on an effervescent period of great social change, urban development and artistic innovation which shaped modern Paris and continues to capture the global imagination.



## Images from MTAS Kid's School Holiday Workshops



A large variety of art and craft projects are undertaken during the workshop.

