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COMMITTEE 2021/22:

- Sue Payne
 - Penny Maddison
 - Cass Gartner
 - Marion Power
 - Stephine Boyle
 - Debbie Ey
 - Geraldine Box
 - Jane Zandi
 - Kale Miller
- Patron :
Dr Ken Michael AC

Presidents Report

Hello everyone

You'll see a lot of difference in the look of this Newsletter—and that is all thanks to one of our new members, Jayne Sarsfield, who has offered to take on the job as Newsletter Editor. Jayne has made some welcome visual changes which I hope will encourage the reading of this essential piece of communication! A huge thank you to Jayne—this is so very much appreciated.

I hope Margaret River will have recovered in time for Christmas from the onslaught of 22 of our members this last week! We have experienced glorious beaches, majestic trees, welcoming wineries, diverse birdlife, amazing food, a farmyard full of paintings and a marvellous model—so many things to experience as artists that we will be back next year. It was so good to catch up with so many of our regional members—Debbie, Julie, Anki, Jo, Jenny and Kama. Society friend, Tanya Izzard, also joined us for a weekend, filming the members as they painted in the middle of Boranup Forest. There will be a special December edition of the Newsletter with a report and photographs of this exceptional annual camp.....

Members have been asking for a second exhibition where we can offer previously exhibited paintings for sale so at the November Committee meeting, we decided to have a second exhibition in the form of an Art Fair, next May—at the Italian Club in Fremantle. There will be more details explained at the November meeting and in the next Newsletter so keep looking and listening!

The next meeting is the last for this strange year so let's hope that next year will bring a more positive outlook on everything. Once again we are having our Christmas lunch following the meeting which will have loads of fun and games (and prizes) and will be expertly catered by Ros Mansfield. Don't forget to bring along your hand-painted Christmas card!

So if we don't see you at the meeting, from myself and the Committee - have a wonderful Christmas and a safe and happy new year.....

Sue :)

"The artist's world is limitless. It can be found anywhere, far from where he lives or a few feet away. It is always on his doorstep."

Paul Strand

Dates to Remember:

Next meeting: 17th November

Show and Tell: Miniatures - post card or A6 size. A miniature/ small painting, not part of a large one!

First 2021 Meeting: 16th February 2021 (No meeting in December or January)

MEET THE COMMITTEE...introducing the last two new members of our committee....

Geraldine Box

What a thrill it is to have become a Committee member of Watercolours WA. Being a more recent member of WSWA I have found that Committee membership brings with it responsibilities but also excellent opportunities to become a part of the current narrative surrounding watercolour art and artists here and abroad.

Watercolour painting and I found each other in 2013 and I have subsequently developed my skills through regular classes, workshops with renowned watercolour artists, daily practice in my studio and at plein air locations in and around Perth and the southwest.

My work has been shown at various group exhibitions, including, the Western Australian Society of Arts, the Watercolour Society of WA, Tresillian Arts Centre and Ellis House.

In 2019, I was awarded The John Hadlow Plein Air Prize at the Watercolour Society's Annual Exhibition.

I am a foundation member of En Plein Air Perth (EPAP), and paint each week somewhere around Perth and beyond. Whether inner city, riverbank, port, seaside, outback, countryside and farm, the sight of a plein air artist will initiate a conversation - and a connection. I enjoy this transformative nature of combining en plein air with watercolour.



Jane Zandi

Jane has been painting for over 12 years and in the last 4 years, regularly en plein air.

She won the Lester Plein Air Competition as voted by other participants in 2019.

Plein air work has resulted in a passion for getting the light just right while on site and then taking that lightness into the studio paintings.

She is a member of the Perth Plein Air Painters and gets out to paint most weeks and as often as possible.

She regularly attends a social life drawing group to keep her drawing skills up.

Regular attendance at workshops as they become available has helped her develop her own personal style of painting.

Jane is an active and exhibiting member of the WA Society of Arts.

She actively exhibits with the Watercolour Society of WA and is a committee member. Her role is to maintain the Society's Instagram account.

It is a growing Instagram account with watercolourists from around the world watching what we get up to as a society. This has involved working closely with Tanya Izzard and having a lot of fun along the way.



New members voted in at the
October meeting were
Laddawan Wong
and
Anastasia Wright
Welcome to
the Watercolour Society of WA!



SHOW AND TELL from October... Can't see the wood for the trees

A small selection from the great range of paintings showing how popular trees are as a subject..



October Guest Hour



Beba Hall from Oxlades set up a “**Play Table**” for our members to have a play with some of the products including Aquafine liquid watercolours by Daler-Rowney, some black watercolour paper pads and traditional

Japanese watercolour paints by Gamsni Tambi amongst other products. Members had a go with the new products. It was good looking outside the box with new papers.....



November Guest Hour



Our own **Stephanie Boyle** will be kicking off our theme for innovation, thinking outside the box, abstraction, individualism, expressionism and contemporary art etc with a demonstration on how she tackles abstracts using various products including yupo paper and watercolour inks (provided by Jacksons Drawing Supplies). She will be using a selection of different watercolour paints, implements and papers which will, hopefully, inspire you to let yourself go and have loads of creative fun over the Christmas holidays!!!



Stephanie Boyle



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WatercoloursWA Christmas Lunch 2020

- follows the meeting on the November 17th from 1 until 3pm
- \$25.00 per person—you need to pay this by Saturday 14th to take part—sorry, no late-comers because we need to late the caterer know numbers
- Bring a hand-painted Christmas card
- Lots of fun and games
- Prizes galore
- Special Guest—Ken Michael



Stephanie Boyle—Facebook Co-ordinator

Stephanie takes care of the Facebook page. It is easier for her if members place a Flyer on their own Facebook page and then she can share it. Please message Stephanie to alert her when you have a post you'd like her to share—and please don't forget to share the WSWA posts too!

Jane Zandi Instagram and YouTube Co-ordinator

Please go to YouTube and subscribe to our channel (search for Watercolour Society of WA) We have **60 subscribers** and we need **100** to radically improve our URL (internet profile).

Eventually this will be linked to our Instagram account, which may lead to more traffic through the gallery and more sales to members.

If social media leaves you cold, local libraries are a great resource for navigating your way around online. They have young people doing community service so they are very good at it.

Members of all ages are on social media, and you can watch watercolourists from around the world when you are not painting, so give it a go!



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Library books and videos

A reminder to all members to return all books and videos from our libraries that you have at home. Please remember to sign your books and videos back in. If in doubt about how to sign books in or out—please ask our librarian, Barbara O'Brien, or Pauline Gill who will be happy to assist with videos.

REMINDER!

Please BYO teacups/mugs, leave a gold coin for morning tea, help with chairs and table set-up and pack up, books and DVDs need to be packed away too so if everyone gets into the mode we can work like a well oiled machine.....



Many hands make light work.....

ALL THINGS
BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL

Art Exhibition



BEE K C TAN

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16 NOV - 18 DEC 2020 | MON - FRI 9AM - 4 PM
21 TYRELL STREET NEDLANDS WA 6009



An Exhibition of
Art
15th to 20th
January 2021

Harvey Recreation
& Cultural Centre,
Tom Latch Drive

Open Daily from
10^{am} to 20th 10am to
4pm

Entry by Gold Coin

Featuring the
\$1,000 Alcoa
Harvey Art Prize
Award

TO ENTER CONTACT
harveyprize@gmail.com
Or register online at
www.harveyprize.com.au
Entries close: Monday 14th December 2020

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS



The 2021 Harvey Art Prize will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of these prestigious awards. Nominated by the Harvey Art Society, this is an opportunity for experienced and novice artists to be a part of an important cultural event in the town of Harvey.



WANTED

Rockingham watercolour society are looking for fellow artists to be a guest for their 2021 Friday morning class.

If you are interested in taking part and having a relaxed morning painting and meeting like-minded artists, displaying what you can do, please contact Rose Henry, President, Rockingham Watercolour society. rose_h47@live.com.au



Jude Scott's Open Studio & Garden Plus Plein Air Competition – 28th & 29th November 2020

Established Canning Vale artist **Jude Scott** will open her studio and garden for the fifth year to the public on 28th and 29th November, 10am-4 pm.

Placed 1st overall as well as receiving two other awards at the recent Watercolour Society of West Australia Exhibition, this hard working artist and tutor invites you to come and enjoy artworks and

a wander through the stunning garden – a labour of love by her and husband, Rob, during the last 16 years.

There will be an En Plein Air – Paint the Garden – competition on the Saturday 10.30am-2.30pm with judging by Judith from Art and Craft World at 3pm. there is a wonderful 1st prize pack and spot prizes. The watercolour painting size – quarter sheet of watercolour paper **28 x 36 cms!**

Jude's Studio and Garden will be open between 10am & 4pm both days. The Plein Air Competition will be on the Saturday.

Come and paint in Jude's beautiful shady garden.

6 Spata Lane, Canning Vale

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More details on our website www.watercolourswa.org.au or Jude's <https://www.judescott.co/>

Debbie Ey, our Website Manager, will be upgrading the website over the next few months with a new layout to make it more user-friendly and readable—in other words—more vibrant, exciting and visually attractive while being more logical and easier to use.

Any information that you would like put onto the website—exhibitions, workshops etc please send them Debbie at webswa@gmail.com

www.watercolourswa.org.au



Introducing.....

Our new Newsletter Editor

Hello, my name is Jayne Sarsfield and I am your new newsletter editor. My background is in computer graphics and an Honors degree in painting, drawing and printmaking. I have also worked in art therapy positions

If you have any upcoming...

- Exhibitions
- Competitions
- Or Art events

Please contact me at the beginning of the month so we can put it into the next months newsletter .

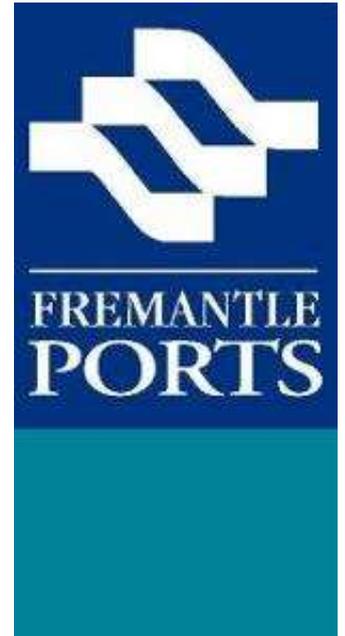
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