

Wollondilly Arts Group Inc NEWSLETTER

Summer 2018

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OUR PRESIDENTS REPORT

The past year has flown by and again we have continued to enjoy get togethers & creativity with workshops to enhance or learn new skills putting together two art exhibitions - IlluminARTe working with Council, & our annual exhibition which we are working towards over the year, has kept us busy. At this point I would really like to thank, on behalf of myself & the members of our group, the people who have been the backbone of organisation; paperwork, computer time, grant applications, WAG newsletter and at the end of the phone when requests and enquires are made - lanet, Ros, Rob and the committee members who were available to help when called upon. Also, thanks to Phil for making available the Scout Hall, we appreciated it very much.

In June we met with Louisa Singleman to share her mural ideas for Wollondilly. Then Wollondilly Shire Council awarded a Community Grant for 2 mural projects to Joe Quilter our new member, a local mural artist. WAG were asked to act as as his auspicor in liaison with the council. Janet and Ros took over the fine details and did a thorough follow through. Good to support an artist working in the community.

International Women's Day in March was another opportunity to be part of a community effort – we put up a I day exhibition which included work from Wollondilly women and the experience was both successful and rewarding.

The IlluminARTe exhibition in April was also open to artists from surrounding districts. The theme was, Create • Render • Excite. It was our third year to be involved, so not as intimidating as the early days.

Thank you to Council for their allocation of \$250 as prize money, \$100 Peoples Choice prize and an



Wollondilly Mayor Judith Hannan opened our 2017 WAG12 Exhibition at the Shire Art Spaces accompanied by Councillors Robert Kahn, Michael Banasik and Noel Lowry.

Encouragement Award with a \$50 gift card for one of our youngest entrants. On the Saturday, a huge crowd visited our Artisan Market. The response to the exhibit was healthy and it was an opportunity to again be part of a community effort.

The Annual Exhibition, WAG 12 in November was well supported by our members and the purpose built gallery space in the shire hall was a very suitable venue.

The 2017 theme was 'Reflections'. A one day Artisan Market was included and introduced a Graffiti Wall. The exciting feature attraction 'Smalls on Show' showcased 2 walls of miniatures. Working in a 10cm square was new to most of us, the challenge was taken up and we were thrilled with the response from members and viewers alike.

Affordable Art Based Workshops, made possible with funding by a Wollondilly Shire Council Community Grant were part of our year of learning and we were keen to 'give it a go'. Our solar-polymer plate printmaking workshop with local print maker Elizabeth Atkin was held at her White Warratah Workshop/ Gallery in Balmoral Village — an intensive 2 days as we worked to

learn the skills required to make a successful solar print.

Our Lino Cut workshop at the scout hall with Natalia Rudnicki was also held – the techniques of lino cut required precision and patience. It was a very productive day. Two more events will be held.

Several WAG members belong to and attend other art groups/classes. Sue, Doreen, Ingrida and myself exhibited in Bowral. Also, several members were represented in Camden, Bowral & Campbelltown art shows.

Thanks to Elizabeth Atkin for letting us celebrate our Christmas get together at her White Warratah Workshop/Gallery and to Sue and Ingrida for several committee meetings at their homes.

On a personal note I would like the WAG members who have suffered loss or sickness over the past year to know we think of them and pass onto them our kindest regards.

Cheers!

Pam Berrell

President

WHAT'S ON

CREATIVE GET TOGETHERS, WORKSHOPS, EXHIBITIONS ETC.

WORKSHOP:

Wollondilly Arts Group Encaustic Workshop with Mo Godbeer

Sat 24th/Sun 25th Feb 2018, 9.30am – 4pm

Scissors, Paper, Wax Encaustic Workshop – technique using beeswax, paper, plaster cloth, photographs, fibres, fabrics, along with found objects, feathers, beads, flowers etc. to create 3-dimensional works and handmade books.

CWA Hall, Tahmoor, **BOOKINGS** and

PAYMENTS:

COST: \$60 members, \$75 non members,

NOW FULLY BOOKED,

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Wollondilly Arts Group will display art for International Women's Day from all local women – deliver works I:30pm Tuesday 6th March to the Shire Hall for viewing at the 8:00am breakfast on Wednesday 7th March.

Contact Pam Berrell of WAG for art info email: pamberrell2003@yahoo.com phone: 4655 4510.

To attend the breakfast contact Tegan at Community Links, email: tegan@communitylinks.org.au

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CREATIVE GET TOGETHER:

Wollondilly Arts Group Creative Get Together

Monday, 10th March 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Join members & others to create, share ideas and learn from each other. Do works for illuminARTe Exhibition or work on your own project. At the Scout Hall Mason St Thirlmere. Afternoon Tea provided.\$3 members \$5 non-members. Contact: Janet to advise if you are coming. Phone: 46818579 email: janetdalton@ozemail.com.au

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Saturday 14th April 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

Finish works for illuminARTe with the Theme: Create, Render, Excite. At the Scout Hall Mason Street Thirlmere.

Afternoon Tea provided. \$3 members \$5 non-members. Contact: Janet to advise if you are coming phone: 46818579 email: janetdalton@ozemail.com.au

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ART EXHIBITION & ARTISAN MARKET

Saturday 5th May 12 noon till 9:00pm.

Wollondilly Arts Group will host the 'illuminARTe Festival' Art Exhibition in the Shire Hall Art Spaces, and Artisan Market. The Exhibition will also be open on Friday 4th May 10:00am till 4:00pm, and Sunday

6th May, from 10:00am till 3:00pm. Local, Macarthur and STARTS region artists are invited to enter works. \$250 Exhibition prize and \$150 Peoples Choice prize to be won. FREE ENTRY For more information contact Janet Dalton (02) 4681 8579 janetdalton@ozemail.com.au www.wollondillyartsgroup.com.au

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