

Bright Art Gallery & Cultural Centre AUTUMN 2023 Newsletter

Welcome to the AUTUMN edition of the Bright Art Gallery Newsletter - April 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

1 Apr – 6 May 10am-4pm + 7 May 10-12 Autumn Art Exhibition

7 May 12-5pm + 8 May 10-4pm Pick up of work for Artists and Purchasers **Sat 24 Jun at 7pm** Pick up of work for Artists and Purchasers Café Culture – Rudi Katterl with 2 shows

24 Jun – 9 July Winter Exhibitions 28 Sep – 6 Nov Spring Exhibitions

61st Annual Autumn Art Exhibition

Saturday 1stnd April — Sunday 7th May 12noon Open Daily 10am to 4pm

Opening Night on 31st March was a huge success. A record 126 people attended, the wine and food were fabulous. The ART is just magnificent. There are so many excellent works in the exhibition that it was a huge job for our judge Ross Paterson to select a winner for each section. Here is the result:

Grand Acquisitive Prize

Tea for One - a magnificent Oil by Fiona Bilbrough Judge's comment:

'A stunning still life painting, which displays the artist's ability to utilise the strength of design and suitable art elements, to achieve the required result. The drama of strong overhead lighting has been utilised to advantage to enhance the required form and the more subtle suggestions of reflected light and patterns within the pots and foreground. A well unified and thoughtfully presented painting'.



Winner of Section 3 - Watercolour

Winner of Section 1 - Oil

Two Horse Power - by Sue Hourigan

Winner of Section 2 - Acrylic Mt Bogong Bouquet - by Sharon Barry

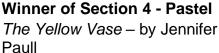




De Castella Stable by Malcolm Webster



Winner of Section 6
Other Medium
Wedge-tailed Eagle
by Vida Pearson (Lino Cut)



Winner of Section 5 Monochrome
A Sense of Place
by Kate Jenvey







Winner of Section 7 - Small Painting Campfire by Vicky McKov



Sponsor Frances Worsnop-Solosy from Bright on Track with President Steve McCall

Winner of Section 8 - Alpine Shire Subject

Mt Buffalo Oil by Glenys Baxter Bendigo Community Bank Directors, the Sponsor for this prize, Graham Gales and Britt White, with artist Glenys Baxter in the middle.

Highly Commended Awards:

A Buffalo Vista by Julie Goldspink; The Nobbies by Angelo Quabba – pictured below ↓

Contentment by Cathy Ellem; Regrowth and Recovery, Mt Buffalo by Steve McCall; Cape Otway by Coral Ruffin; Still Life – Daisies by Jan Lawler; \downarrow pictured below, Summer Haze by Ben Winspear; Sunset in

the Buckland by Ann Leech; Misty Stream by Do Noble ↓ pictured below



Galahs and Brittle Gum by Annemarie Wiegerinck; Last Vestiges by Lisa O'Keefe

→ pictured here



← Secret Women's Business by Carolyn Marrone; Wet Winter, King Valley by Ben Winspear; Sunlit by Lyn Melody; Bogong High Plains by Coral Ruffin; Snow Gums by Stephen McCall.



Congratulations to all WINNERS and all ARTISTS!

President's Prattle

As I write this, Autumn is clearly with us - the trees are turning, the days are very pleasant!

The Autumn Art Show is in full swing after a most successful opening night on Friday 31st March. There were well over 120 people in attendance, who enjoyed the wonderful food provide by Alpine Valley Catering, a glass of wine from Ringer Reef, pleasant music from Brett Lidbury and Carolyn Moore and of course the 500 or so wonderful works of Art on display.

After Mayor John Forsyth opened proceedings, everyone keenly awaited the announcement of the prize winners by Judge Ross Paterson-and they were not disappointed with the variety and quality of the selected works.

Sales got off to an excellent start and have continued very well since, with many visitors from near and far enjoying the exhibition. Many have commented on how the new spotlights in the small paintings area have really made a difference to that part of the show.

On a sadder note, many of you would know that Len Lammin recently passed away. Len had been a keen supporter of the Gallery for many years and had volunteered his services as Auditor on several occasions.

No doubt I will see many of you over the coming weeks. Steve McCall

Autumn Art Raffle Prize - kindly donated by Ross Paterson Devenish a gorgeous Watercolour



Drawn on Sun 7 May at 12 noon - Winner notified by phone

Ticket No: 0001 Funds raised go towards the running cost of

SATURDAY 22 & SUNDAY



Tickets available at the gallery

The Summer Raffle Prize was won by a Liz Hoy from Harrietville!

Congratulations

Viva Volunteers!

Thank you to those dedicated volunteers who have spent time on the two desks at the Gallery so far. Your help has enabled this exhibition to kick off to a very successful start.

The exhibits have received enthusiastic appreciation from visitors from all over, thanks to the enthusiasm from our volunteers. Visitors over Easter have been very receptive to our Gallery's excellence.

We have been very busy over Easter and the support from our volunteers has been much appreciated. If anyone else would like to join in volunteering, training for both desks will be freely provided. When you see your way clear to spend 3 hours at the Gallery, please either call in, or contact the Gallery between the hours of 10 am and 4 pm by:

Email: manager@brightartgallery.org.au or Phone: 03 5750 1660



It's on again – visit the website for program: https://www.brightautumnfestival.org.au/

with the **Wandiligong Nut Festival** on 22 and 23 April

https://www.brightautumnfestival.org.au/about/wandiligong-nut-festival/



Save the datewatch this space! Back by popular demand Café Culture Show Saturday 24th June

No other than Rudi Katterl with two other surprise acts !! 7.00 pm – BYO Supper and Drinks



ALPINE ARTISTS - Winter 2023 Exhibition

Sat 24 June to Sun 9 July – Open daily 10am to 2pm
Alpine Artists Paintings, Photography,
2-Dimensional Art and 3-Dimensional Art.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ON THE THEME OF WINTER!

Alpine Artists are the artist members of the Bright Art Gallery

Entry forms have been emailed out and will be available on the website

Entry forms in by <u>Friday 9th June</u>.

Delivery Sun 18 or Mon 19 June 10am to 12 noon

2023 Spring Exhibitions – 3 Exciting New Exhibitions to Announce

Thu 28 Sep to Mon 6 Nov – open 5 days a week (Thu-Mon) 10am-4pm Opening Night Wednesday 27 Nov at 7pm

Carol Stewart 'Out n About'

Carol, an accomplished artist from Wagga Wagga will show over 40 of her beautiful oil paintings. Carol prefers realism, with a passion for portraits and animals.

Natalie Malseed 'In the Orchard'

Natalie's 'In the Orchard' will be a study of life in a chestnut orchard. Considering the lichens, fungi, wildlife and the trees themselves. A range of mediums will be used, including an installation of a tree with handmade leaves, textile sculptures, woodcut prints. Natalie lives in Porepunkah and has an impressive CV and Exhibition History.

Alpine Artists Exhibition

Paintings, Photographs and 3-D work (ceramics, glass, sculptures etc)

Bright Art Gallery & Cultural Centre Committee

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President: Steve McCall (Autumn Art Exhibition Coordinator) **Treasurer**: Jon Lilley **Vice President**: Roy Ward (Assets & Council Liaison) **Association Secretary**: Kitty Knappstein

Committee: Pauline McCall (Secretary), Tatjana Filicin (Membership Secretary), Annemarie Wiegerinck (Exhibitions, social media & newsletters), Kim Robinson (Volunteer Coordinator), Barry Willcox, Yvette Van Urk (Grants), Jenny McNaught, Kay Gillis (Permanent Collection Curator), Carol Styles. Plus, until the next AGM we have two new co-opted members Renata Armishaw and Libby Owen-Jones (Gallery Shop Coordinator).

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