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## SESSION TIMES

**Open Monday to Friday and weekends via request!**

If closed for any reason please call one of the contacts listed above.

New hours to be advised.

## W.A.S INC.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **21 September 2024**

Life Drawing

with Wendy Stephens: 10am

- 12pm (please book with

Wendy 0402 288 207)

#### **Tues, 1 Oct 2024: 5:30pm**

Next Committee Meeting

#### **12, 19 and 26th October**

**2024** - Beginner Drawing

with Leonie

#### **31 Oct - 5 Nov 2024** -

Diamond Jubilee Exhibition

**9, 16, 23, 30 November** -

Acrylic Painting with Leonie

## EXHIBITION NEWS

**OUR 53RD AND DIAMOND BIRTHDAY EXHIBITION:**

**31 OCTOBER - 5 NOVEMBER 2024**

As a group, we have been dedicated to painting since 1962, and with our 53rd Exhibition and Diamond Birthday approaching, we believe it's time to celebrate! Despite the challenges posed by Covid and other distractions delaying festivities, we are determined to make this year's exhibition a memorable event.

For our upcoming exhibition, we are introducing six exciting categories, each offering a prize of \$150. Additionally, the most popular artwork across all categories, as chosen by the public, will receive a special prize of \$250. The categories include 1. Oils, 2. Acrylic, 3. Watercolor and Gouache, 4. Soft Pastel and Oil Pastel, 5. Other Media (such as Mixed Media, Pen and Wash, Colored Pencil, etc.), and 6. Photography.

We welcome up to five entries in each category, with the exception of photography, which allows for three entries. For photography, the artwork size is limited to 16 x 20 inches, including the frame. Please note that the judging panel will consist of impartial individuals who are not members of the Wangaratta Artists Society Inc.

We will soon be sending out entry forms via email, and hard copies will also be available at the studio. We look forward to your participation and the opportunity to showcase your talent. Let's make our 53rd and Diamond Birthday Exhibition a truly unforgettable celebration!

**BEGINNER WORKSHOPS:** The committee has decided to move forward with beginner workshops with Leonie Partridge. We will have two short courses: one in drawing over three sessions commencing on Saturday Oct 12th, with a cost of \$150 per participant, and the other in acrylic painting over four sessions, commencing Saturday 9 November, with a cost of \$200 per participant. Don't hesitate in booking for these activities as the class will fill quickly with only six places available. Please note that these are a short course, not one day workshops.

**FRAMING WORKSHOP:** with Louise from Carlisle Art will be held on Wednesday, September 25th, from 10 am to 1 pm. Participants will learn how to cut mat board to fit into a generic frame. Some mediums have special framing requirements, so Louise will also go through those requirements with participants. A maximum of eight participants are allowed, and a supply list will be provided upon booking. The cost per participant is \$50.

**LIFE DRAWING:** Wendy Stephens' life drawing group: The next date is **Saturday 21st September, from 10am-12pm.** Bookings are essential and need to be made directly with

## ART EVENTS

### ART GALLERY ON OVENS

**05 Sep - 16 Sep 2024:** Marian Gordan Paintings, Guest Art Solo Exhibition

**19 - 30 Sep 2024** - GANEEA presents, What's New

### WANGARATTA ART GALLERY

**10 August- 15 Sep 2024:** Art as Sanctuary by Artmania, Wangaratta

**17 Aug - 10 November:** Crossing by Fran O'Neill ( Gallery One)

**29 August - 4 December 2024:** Being present by Victoria Cooper and Doug Spowart

### BRIGHT ART GALLERY & CULTURAL CENTRE:

**26 Sep - 4 Nov 2024:** Spring Exhibition

**30 Nov 2024 - 27 Jan 2025:** Summer Exhibition

### BENALLA ART GALLERY

**14 Jun 2024 -2025:** Nocturne: Benalla Art Gallery Collection (Ledger Gallery)

**9 August- 27 October:** Three Echoes - Western Desert Art (Bennet Gallery)

**23 Aug - 13 Oct 2024** - Michael Wilson: Beyond the Boundary

**18 October- 8 Dec 2024:** Visions - Photographing Benalla and Beyond

**8 Nov 2024 - 26 Jan 2025:** Juan Ford - A Survey

### YARRAWONGA MULWALA ARTISTS ASSOCIATION INC.

Gallery is open 10-4pm Wed - Sun and most public holidays

“The object of Art is not to reproduce reality but to create a reality of the same intensity”

Alberto  
Giacometti

Wendy Stephens. A life drawing book for members and community to register your interest in booking a session, is on the front counter of the studio or call Wendy directly on 0402 288 207. Please arrive at the studio 30 minutes before the workshop commences to make payment and set up your easel. The door will be locked at 10am!

**BUNNINGS:** The Family night at Bunnings was a huge success for us with a lot of community members interested in finding out about our little art group. Bunnings donated a \$100 gift voucher which will be handy in the lead up to the exhibition. Thank you to the following members for assisting with the evening: Marina, Helen, Vincent, Russell and Robyn.

**VOLUNTEERING:** Urgent need for more assistance from the general membership in respect to workshops, etc. is needed. Currently too much is left to too few workers! Current members will be contacted and asked to volunteer their services, which may only involve helping to write receipts for payments, or welcoming community members to the Society, if participating in a workshop. Many hands make light work!

**BUS TRIP:** A bus trip is being organised for members who wish to attend the Vic Pastel Exhibition, 1-16 November 2024 at Sherbrooke Art Society in Belgrave. More details to follow when our resident bus driver figures out his schedule.

**FACEBOOK:** We would like to remind our members and the general public that our official Facebook page and Webpage is the only legitimate platform for updates and information regarding Wangaratta Artists Society inc. Unfortunately, there are fake pages mimicking ours, attempting to undermine our artistic efforts. We urge everyone to be cautious and not to mistake these imposters for our authentic page. We take pride in our artistic endeavours and will not tolerate any misrepresentation.

“You know the biggest problem with pushing all things AI? Wrong direction! I want AI to do my laundry and dishes so that I can do art and writing, not for AI to do my art and writing so that I can do my laundry and dishes.”

Joanna Maciejewska

## HOUSEKEEPING

Oil Painters: Please do not tip turps down the sink! Please bring in a sealable container and take it home!

Painters please clean the sink after cleaning your brushes!

All Members: Turn off and unplug all electrics including the heaters, lock both doors and turn the lights off if you are the last to leave.

**Please take your rubbish home! (R.I.P House Mouse)**