



Membership Form 2025

Welcome to Wangaratta Artists Society Inc. We are excited to offer you the opportunity to become a member of our community.

As a member of WAS, you will have exclusive access to our exhibitions, workshops, and events. You'll also have the opportunity to connect with a community of like-minded artists who share your passion for creativity.

We encourage new members to visit our studio and introduce themselves before applying.

To join, please sign the form at the bottom of the second page, agreeing to membership terms and conditions and post it along with payment to:

The Treasurer, Wangaratta Artists Society, PO Box 52, Wangaratta, 3676, or email secretary@wangartists.org.au.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Post Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Media of interest (Please circle) Oil, Watercolour, Sculpture, Pastel, Acrylic, Mixed Media, Photography, Printmaking, Pen and wash, Collage, Screen printing, Textiles, Life Drawing, coloured Pencil,

Other _____

I am a tutor interested in giving workshops: YES or NO (please circle)

My specialty is: _____

Volunteering. Please let us know if you would be able to donate some time (fund raising) or if you possess a special skill or ability that you think may be helpful to us.

Special ability or skill (Please list):

Ways to pay:

Card - Over the phone or at The Studio

Cash - Pay at the Studio

Direct Deposit using these bank details:

Commonwealth Bank
 Wangaratta Artists Society inc.
 BSB: 063-531
 ACCOUNT: 1009 0389

In order for us to connect your direct deposit payment with your membership please use your first initial and last name in the description box. Example: **Description: DSmith2023subs**

Membership to WAS inc. costs \$70 a year

1. Email of the newsletter is free.
2. If you wish to receive a hardcopy of the newsletter there is an additional charge of \$20 to cover the cost of printing, stamps and envelopes
3. If you are a concession card holder you are entitled to free stamps from the post office. If you would like to supply your own stamps and envelopes to, WAS inc. we will mail out a hard copy of the newsletter to your supplied address
4. We can leave a copy of the Newsletter at The Studio with your name on it.

<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Email FRE	\$0
<input type="checkbox"/> Hard copy of Newsletter \$20.	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Supply stamps and envelopes by you FREE	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter left at WAS inc.	Free
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation	\$ _____
Total Due	\$ _____

Please read the following statements before signing this membership form.

By signing this form you agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the Wangaratta Artists Society Inc. These rules are based on the Model Rules of November 2023 from the Incorporations Act 2012. You agree to comply with our Statement of Purpose, which is attached herewith.

By signing this membership form, you confirm that all works you display or submit for exhibitions organised by WAS Inc. are your original creations and not generated by AI. You also certify that your works do not infringe on any artist’s copyright or intellectual property.

Please note that your membership to the Wangaratta Artists Society will only be granted after your completed membership form is accepted at a committee meeting and the annual membership fee has been paid.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Disclaimer: Wangaratta Artists Society inc. accepts in good faith the information provided by the person whose signature is on this form. WAS inc. cannot be held liable should it prove inaccurate.



STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

- A. To foster, support and promote the interest of visual art, artists, and artist's activities.
- B. To encourage members of the society to achieve progress in their artistic endeavours.
- C. To provide a suitable stimulating environment, where members can work and enjoy encouraging interaction with fellow members and experience a congenial learning atmosphere.
- D. To organise workshops, available to all members and interested outside artists. Tutors of reputable status will be invited for workshops where members can learn and experience and view visual arts in different media.
- E. To distribute any relevant information of activities of the society e.g. newsletters, and activities and exhibitions of other fellow artists.
- F. To organise an annual exhibition, where financial members are given the opportunity to exhibit their work



Terms and Conditions of membership to Wangaratta Artists Society Inc.

MEMBERSHIP TO WANGARATTA ARTISTS SOCIETY INC.

Your membership is an annual subscription (January 1 to December 31) to the Wangaratta Artists Society Incorporated. You are required to complete a new membership form every year. Only one person per application will be accepted.

This membership commences upon your acceptance at a committee meeting and the payment of your membership fee.

As a not-for-profit organization, your membership grants you free access to the studio, except during specific functions and workshops organized by WAS Inc. Additionally, you will receive a monthly newsletter and invitations to our events.

The annual membership fee is \$70 and will be reviewed at each Annual General Meeting.

If you decide to cancel your membership, you must submit a written request to the Committee. Any potential refund will be at the discretion of WAS Inc.

These terms and conditions form a part of your membership application, and as such, your signature on the application form indicates your acceptance of these terms and conditions. Please keep a copy for your records.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE MEMBER

Members are permitted to use the studio solely for art or craft activities. Do not allow any other party to utilize the studio, except for guests on 'Come and Try' days. Any visitors must be accompanied by a member at all times and must pay \$5 per visit, recording their details in the sign-in book located at the front desk.

A visitor is defined as:

- A friend of a WAS Inc. member attending to engage in art or craft activities.
- A member of the public interested in becoming a WAS Inc. member or who participates in an art or craft activity within the studio.

You must not engage in any other activities in the studio unless they have received prior approval from WAS Inc. Do not conduct any dangerous, illegal, or objectionable activities, use the studio as a venue for public entertainment, or have live music without prior consent.

You are responsible for cleaning the studio, removing all rubbish created during your use, and returning the studio to its original condition afterward.

Additionally, you must not use, modify, or remove any equipment belonging to other members stored in the studio without obtaining consent from the owner.

You hold responsibility for the conduct and behavior of all your visitors to the studio.

You must foster a stimulating environment that encourages interaction and promotes a congenial learning experience among members. Respect the quiet enjoyment of the studio at all times when others are present.

Permission for Wangaratta Artist Society to publish: We would like your permission to publish images of your work, or photographs of yourself taken at WAS inc. during the course of our activities, you participate in, to be used in a variety of mediums which may include, newspaper articles, websites, social media and printed materials.

CODE OF CONDUCT

The following requirements are the minimum standards that you must uphold while engaging with the programs and activities of Wangaratta Artists Society Inc.:

- Act with honesty and integrity at all times.
- Treat others with respect and courtesy; any rudeness, aggressive behavior, or bullying will not be tolerated and will result in immediate expulsion from the premises and potential removal from the society.
- Comply with all relevant laws applicable in the State of Victoria and Australia.
- Actively advocate for and promote the arts and crafts.
- Ensure your visitors adhere to this Code and the House Rules.
- Maintain and protect all property used on the studio premises and report any damage to the committee without delay.
- Represent WAS Inc. positively and support its Statement of Purpose.
- All communications—whether electronic, on social media, or in-person—must adhere to the requirements of this Code of Conduct. Harassing, vexatious, or bullying communications directed at WAS Inc. by any member or visitor will not be tolerated. All communications must remain professional and courteous at all times.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Under Model Rules, Clause 19