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Presidents Report

I am sure we all enjoyed David Newman-White's demonstration at the June meeting. The process he used was quite different.

Members I hope will be happy with our looking to buy a system to project future demonstrations onto a screen so that even those who work flat on a table will be seen by all. It has been a long and very hard decision to find a suitable set of camera and projector to suit us, particularly as we need one that can be set up and taken down with ease. Members will be asked to vote on whether we are to spend the money needed, keeping in mind that we have put in for a grant, although we may not get it.

Members who went to Manly to see the gallery had a very enjoyable day, This was instead of our plein air day. The weather was good which makes one wonder if we should have been painting instead. The Biennale is now on until September, we went to Cockatoo Island during the last one and I wonder if members would like to meet and go again.

Our painting days in Wentworth Falls and Leura continue to be good for members to meet, and last Thursday we had the workshop for acrylics in Springwood, unfortunately I couldn't go and have yet to hear a report.

We will be having an afternoon tea for Beth Burgess on August 23rd at Katoomba Golf Club, members are invited to come along to wish Beth a happy move to Bowral. Beth was one of our founding members and is a Life Member of the SMA and I am sure we will all miss her enormously.

Several of our members have the travel bug this year, Both Dennis West and John Finnerty are away at the moment and we are lucky that the planning for our Spring Exhibition is well underway due to their hard work before departing. I hope all members are painting with this exhibition in mind, also may I remind all members about the painting in the gardens for the Leura Garden Festival, for those new members who don't know during the garden festival we paint in one or more of the gardens from the long weekend until the following Friday when we frame the work [It is good to have the frames ready]. and accepted into our exhibition at Fairways where they are judged and remain there until taken down with the rest of the Spring Exhibition.

Happy painting

Marie Morris

SPRING ART EXHIBITION

Update

Entry forms for the Spring Exhibition will be in the August newsletter.

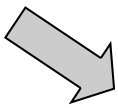
Important to note

There will still be five Sections as previously

Oil & Acrylic	Any Support
Watercolour	Includes Gouache (no Pen Work)
Works on Paper	Pastel /Pen/ Pen & ash/ Pencil/ Mixed Media / Hand Pulled Prints
Small Paintings	Up to 50" (127 cm) OUTSIDE PERIMETER –Any Medium
Contemporary	Non Traditional, Innovative and new techniques (any Medium)
	No Computer or Photographic Imaging

A NEW CHANGE

**YOU MAY NOW ENTER UP TO A TOTAL OF FIVE PAINTINGS
BUT THEY MAY BE ALL IN ONE SECTION OR MIXED AS YOU WISH**



At the Autumn Exhibition
a **daily** bonus raffle prize was drawn with all tickets going in final draw.
To implement this for Spring Exhibition
members who are willing to give a small (about postcard size) painting



Some Exhibitions of Interest

- Gallery Blackheath** 44 Govetts Leap Rd Blackheath
Winter Exhibition Featuring **Helen Hudson**
July 6 to Sept 2 Open Fri to Sun and Public Holidays
- National Trust SH Ervin Gallery**, Observatory Hill Sydney.
'In [Two] Art' An exhibition of the work of 30 artist couples from
6 July to 12 August. DAILY FROM 11 am to 5pm [closed on Mondays]
' David Boyd, his work,his life and family'
17 August to 23 September.
- The Sculptors Society** exhibition. Darling Park Sydney 201 Sussex Street cnr Market street.
July 30 to September 1

August 16th Meeting Demonstrator Leo Robba

Leo has had over thirty solo exhibitions in Australia and New Zealand and has taken part in numerous group exhibitions in Australia and internationally. His work is represented in many private and public collections, including National Gallery of Australia, Maitland Regional Gallery, Brisbane City Hall Gallery, New England Region Art Gallery and Museum, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery and the University of Newcastle and the Bundanon Collection

Leo Robba is an artist, writer and curator, who was born in Bundaberg, Queensland, in 1962. He has written for The Sydney Morning Herald and Arts Profile Magazine. He is also known for organising and leading art expeditions to remote and iconic destinations.

Leo has a Masters of Fine Art from Newcastle University exploring the topic "Regionalism in Australian Landscape Painting" and is currently doing research as part of his PhD scholarship at the ANU, Canberra, the topic "The Artist's Garden: Humanising the Landscape." He graduated from the Queensland College of Art in 1982 and moved to Sydney in 1983.

He is represented by King Street Gallery on William, Sydney, Bowen Galleries, Wellington, NZ and lives and works in Springwood, in the Blue Mountains.



Activities Diary

DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	BOOKING
July Thurs 19th	MONTHLY MEETING Jamison Award Talk by Visual Arts Advisor from the Copyright Agency limited (CAL)	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura Bring a Painting if you wish to be part of the Award	NO
July Thur 26th	Mid-Year Buffet Luncheon Cost \$32 per person	Mountain Heritage Hotel Corner of Apex & Lovel Streets Katoomba	Yes Plus Money June Meeting
Aug Thurs 2nd	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 donation
Aug Thurs 16th	MONTHLY MEETING Leo Robba Demonstration	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura	NO
Aug Tues 21st	Paint Together No Oils	10am Leura Golf Club Yearly Social Membership to Club Required \$10 1st July to 30th June	NO
Aug Thurs 23rd	Beth Burgess Farewell Afternoon Tea	Katoomba Golf Club Details at July Meeting	YES At July Meeting
Sept Thurs 6th	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 donation
Sept Mon 10– Fri 14	Annual Holiday Railway Hotel Kandos	See Below	YES JULY Meeting
Sept Tues 18th	Paint Together No Oils	10am Leura Golf Club Yearly Social Membership to Club Required \$10 1st July to 30th June	NO
Sept Thurs 20th	MONTHLY MEETING Sketch Books and Discussion Details to Come	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura	NO
Sept Sat 29– Oct Sun 7th	Spring Art Exhibition Entry Forms August Newsletter	Leura Fairways 19-21 Fitzroy St Leura	NO
Oct Tues 16th	Paint Together No Oils	10am Leura Golf Club Yearly Social Membership to Club Required \$10 1st July to 30th June	NO
Oct Thurs 18th	MONTHLY MEETING Demonstration to be advised	1.00 pm St Bonaventure's Church Hall, Cnr Railway Pde & Hartley Esp. Leura	NO
Oct 25th	Plein Air Painting	Location to be Advised	NO

SMA Annual Painting Holiday **Monday 10 Sept. until Friday 14 September 2012**

Venue ; Railway Hotel **Kandos** [see www.railwayhotelkandos.com]

Room rates [including breakfast] 6 twin singles at \$95 per room 6 double rooms at \$85 per room

Please note there are at present no ensuite rooms ie shared facilities only

The hotel has recently been extensively renovated and offers a number of facilities
in the midst of countryside with a wealth of subject material

The area has mountain vistas, historic old buildings, rural vistas and is a short drive to Dunns Swamp, Mudgee, Rylston

FINAL NUMBERS AT JULY MEETING PLUS \$50 DEPOSIT

WILD VALLEY ART PARK

Draw on the Mountain

Sketch Book Competition

The inaugural Draw on the Mountains festival will be held between 19 and 28 October 2012 and celebrates drawing and the excellence of the arts and environment in the Blue Mountains

A highlight of the event is the innovative sketchbook drawing competition where artists and enthusiasts, including children, can register for the self-guided landscape tour of key Mountain destinations.

Provided with a sketchbook, participants can follow a route from the Norman Lindsay Gallery through to inspirational environments including locations at Wentworth Falls, Katoomba to Lithgow.

Each journey will culminate in drawings being exhibited and judged for a \$5000 art prize at the Wild Valley Art Park.

Entry to the sketchbook competition is now open. Check www.wildvalley.com.au for all details

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