



# *Society of Mountain Artists inc.*

Featuring the Works of Artists from the Blue Mountains in New South Wales, Australia

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## **Newsletter**

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### **President's Message**

A very happy New Year to all our members and their families-2017 was again a very busy and successful year for the Society and thanks are due to everyone who, in whatever capacity, helped make that a reality.

While we do not have a members meeting until February we do have our annual picnic get together at Wilson Park, Falls Rd Wentworth Falls on Thursday 18 January. Bring a chair and something to eat and drink.

The first meeting of the monthly Painting group at St Andrews church hall was surprisingly very well attended in spite of the holidays and bodes well for the rest of the year. We welcomed two new visitors and hopefully these will be the first of many during the year.

Keep an eye on the diary in future newsletters as once the Management committee meets in early February we should start have in place or be planning activities for the year. As always the committee welcomes feedback and ideas from any member as to what you like/don't like or would want to see included. Also consider carefully whether you could or would like to play a role in this by volunteering for a position on the committee or either of the exhibition /website sub committees ? Don't be shy there is always someone to help you out.

Because of problems in getting council to assure us that they will honour the booking we have made for the old library in Katoomba for the Autumn exhibition we have managed to book St Albans church hall in Leura later in April instead, [thanks to Phil Budge] Although parking is sometimes difficult we will be able to assist members in the delivery and collection of work where this is necessary so don't be deterred from getting those entries underway.

A Happy and rewarding 2018 to you all

*Peter Ayres*

### **AUTUMN EXHIBITION**

Note Change of venue for Autumn Exhibition in April 16th—22nd

Council has indicated possible change of usage for Old Library in Katoomba.

Although SMA had booked the Venue Council will not undertake to honour the arrangement.



**SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.**

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM 2018**

I (we) wish to nominate for the position of:

President .....

Vice President.....

Secretary.....

Treasurer.....

Committee Member ( 5 positions ).....

In the Society for the year 2018.

Proposer .....

Seconder.....

I accept my nomination (s)

**Please return the form below with your Renewal payment (Even if paying by Direct Debit)  
It helps keep our Membership Records Up to Date**

**Also remember to indicate if you want the Newsletter by email**



**SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.**

**SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL FORM - DUE JANUARY 2018**

Name(s): .....(Please Print)

Please find enclosed Cheque / Cash / Postal Order/ Direct Debit Transfer Code

**DIRECT DEBIT: SMA BSB: 633108      A/C NO: 149824328**

**Your Reference:.....(SMA1 + your initials + surname. ie SMA1jfcitizen for John F Citizen)**

Single Membership -	\$40	or
Family Membership -	\$70	two family members at the same address
Website Gallery Fee -	NIL	
Website Gallery Renewal Fee	NIL	

**Total = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Change of Address or phone ?      Please add your E-MAIL address below**

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**Do you want your newsletter by E-MAIL ? .....**


**For renewal of my  
membership in the Society  
for the year 2018**

HOBBYIST	YES	NO
Please Tick	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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AND  
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# Activities Diary

DATE	ACTIVITY	Location	Booking
2018 Jan Thurs 4th	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
Jan 2018 Thur 18th	Start of the Year Picnic 	<b>Wilson Park Behind Wentworth Falls</b> <b>Bowling Club</b> <b>BYO Plus a chair</b>	<b>NO</b>
2018 Feb Thurs 1st	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
2018 Feb Thur 15th	Monthly Meeting Demonstration Lia Johnston— Acrylics	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts	NO
2018 Feb Thu 22nd	Plein Air Painting Lawson Old Shops Badgery Cres	Meet 10am Outside Council Library Cnr Loftus St & San Jose Av.	NO
March Thurs 1st	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
March SAT 10th	Plein-air Workshop Assistance given to help confidence with Painting Plein-air	10am Everglades Garden  Leura	NO
Mar Thur 15th	<b>AGM</b> Election of Management Committee  <i>Exhibition "Fabulous Fakes"</i>	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts  <b>Bring a Painting of a Fabulous Fake done by you</b>	NO
Mar Thu 22nd	Plein Air Painting	Glenbrook Village 10am in Park	NO
April Thurs 5th	Paint Together & Morning Cuppa	10am <b>St. Andrews</b> Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
April 16th—22nd	Autumn Art Exhibition	<b>St Albans Church Hall</b>  <b>Megalong St Leura</b>	
April Thurs 19th	Monthly Meeting Demonstration Artwork conservator - Krystal Smits	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts	NO

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

James Hancock Leura.



## **AGM FABULOUS FAKES**

An Accurate Copy or a Comical Take ?

Members Choice Prize

**How Creative Are You ???**

## Exhibition Calendar

**AGNSW, Sydney** ; Rembrandt and the Dutch Golden Age, until 18 February 2018

Janet Laurence; The matter of the masters ; until 18 February

Robert Mapplethorpe; The Perfect Medium –photographs until 4 March

**SH Ervin gallery Observatory Hill. Sydney** ; 'Intrepid women; Australian women artists in Paris 1900 to 1950'

**Maritime Museum** , Darling Harbour; The Art of Science; Baudin Voyages 1800-1805. Over 300 original drawings and paintings from France. Until 26 November.

**Manor House hotel. Mount Victoria**; Marie Morris paintings until end of January

**BM Cultural Centre Katoomba**; Blue Mountains portraits [photographs] . Starts 3 Feb until 11 March

Moving histories // future projections . until 11 March

**Lost Bear Gallery Lurline St Katoomba**; David Beschi exhibition, 'Snowfall, storm and kitchen chaos' until 29 January

**Nolan on Lovell. Lovell st Katoomba**,

Jose de Kesters; 'Art and life', 10 Feb until 18 Feb

Lynn Harrison; 'Everyday life.' Feb 21 until March 11

**Braemar Gallery , Macquarie rd , Springwood**; 'Habitat' an exhibition by Annette Minchin until 25 February

**Gallery Blackheath, Govetts Leap rd Blackheath**. Summer exhibition [various artists] until 4 March

**Gallery one 88 Katoomba** ; David R Hill 'Interiors, exteriors and posteriors' 7 Nov until 10 December

Picture Gallery –contemporary Aust. Childrens Book Illustrations until 10 November

The 28th Annual Art of Sydney Awards' (Combined Art Societies of Sydney)

exhibition will be held at the Australian National Maritime Museum, Darling Harbour 25th – 28th January 2018

### **NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society of Mountain Artists Inc. will be held at 1.00 pm on Thursday 15th March 2018 at **Wentworth Falls School of Arts Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls**

#### **AGENDA**

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous AGM held on 16th March 2017
2. To receive and accept Annual Financial Report (year ending 31st December 2017)
3. To receive and accept President's Annual Report
4. Election of Management Committee
5. Appointment of Auditor and determination of remuneration
6. Motions, notice of which must be received by the Secretary in writing **fourteen days** prior to the meeting

The Society's Constitution provides for the yearly election for a Management Committee of nine members.

The Committee consists of executive positions of President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and five (5) general members.

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

I Wish to be considered for Selection on the

Exhibition Sub-committee .....

Website Sub-committee .....

Library Sub-committee .....

I would like to assist with other Activities Such As

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EG. Social Activities

Organising Meeting Demonstrators

Publicity

Catering ?????? Or Whatever



**Existing Sub-committee members and Activity Helpers are encouraged to express an interest.**

**The Sub-committees etc. will be appointed by the Management Committee**

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Society starts the New Year with the ANNUAL PICNIC

Pack a picnic lunch & maybe a chair or two

**Thursday 18th January 11am / 11.30 Wilson Park, Falls Rd**

**Wentworth Falls**

***New Members and Friends all welcome***

Behind Bowling Club under large tree



Marie Morris

THE STORY OF MY COFFEE PAINTINGS

EACH MORNING AT AROUND TEN O'CLOCK I PUT ON MY SMALL CAFETIER TO BREW MY FIRST AND USUALLY ONLY CUP OF COFFEE FOR THE DAY. ONE DAY AFTER I DRANK THE COFFEE I LOOKED AT THE GRAINS REMAINING IN MY CUP AND SAW FIGURES. I GOT OUT MY SKETCH BOOK AND MADE DRAWINGS OF THEM, A COUPLE OF DAYS LATER I SAW A LARGE TREE AMONGST THE GRAINS AND AGAIN DREW IT. FROM THEN ON I KEPT SEEING IMAGES,

I BEGAN TO PHOTOGRAPH THEM. BECOMING QUITE EXCITED ABOUT THE IMAGES, I DID A SMALL PAINTING OF THE FIRST, WHICH IS 'TREES ABOVE THE QUARRY' THE FIRST SMALLER THAN THAT WHICH YOU SEE NOW.

DECIDED TO DO A SERIES WHICH I WORKED ON FOR EIGHTEEN MONTHS.

THE FIRST FIVE ARE USING ALL THE PAPER, THEN I DECIDED TO DO THREE SMALL CIRCLES, THE FIRST BEING 'THREE MACHIATOS' HAVING DIFFICULTY CONTAINING THE WATERCOLOUR WITHIN THE CIRCLES I DECIDED TO RUN CIRCLES THROUGH MY PRINTING PRESS, THUS MAKING AN IMPRESSION IN THE PAPER. THIS IS HOW I ACHIEVED ALL THE CIRCULAR PAINTINGS. THE IDEAS FOR MORE AND MORE PAINTINGS TOO ARE IN MY HEAD,

**Meantime enjoy the works on show.**

**The Exhibition is on At Mount Victoria Manor House for January.**

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO COME,**

**THEY SERVE COFFEE AND SCONES IF NEEDED.**





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