



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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Monthly Meetings at Wentworth Falls School of Arts Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls
Website / Gallery www.mountainartists.org

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Newsletter Articles required by 2nd Monday of month

Presidents Message

I hope that everyone enjoyed the excellent watercolour demonstration by Annie Joseph at the February meeting. Annie has subsequently kindly invited members to her rural property for a plein air painting day on Thursday. There are some lovely views to paint so come along. Just go along the GWH towards Lithgow and turn left into Old Bathurst road at Bowenfels.

Ten people have booked on the bus to Canberra to see the Matisse/Picasso exhibition at the Australian National gallery and also the National Portrait gallery nearby which is showing a recently awarded prize portrait. Our driver John Simius very knowledgeable about Canberra and in the past has taken us to some varied and interesting places in the Canberra area.

A reminder also that David Newman White has kindly agreed to run a portrait workshop at the St Andrews Presbyterian church hall in Falls Rd Wentworth Falls on Saturday 14 March using soft pastels.

At our March members meeting Ruth Dengate has kindly offered a demonstration in oils after the AGM.

Members choice subject ABSTRACT so have a go ?

Hope to see a few hands up for some of the various positions we need to fill at the meeting ;not least those of Editor and Secretary as both Fred and Patricia want to stand down after years of sterling service and a significant contribution to the Society.

Happy painting

Peter Ayres

SOCIETY OF MOUNTAIN ARTISTS INC.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM 2020

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

President

Vice President.....

Secretary.....

Treasurer.....

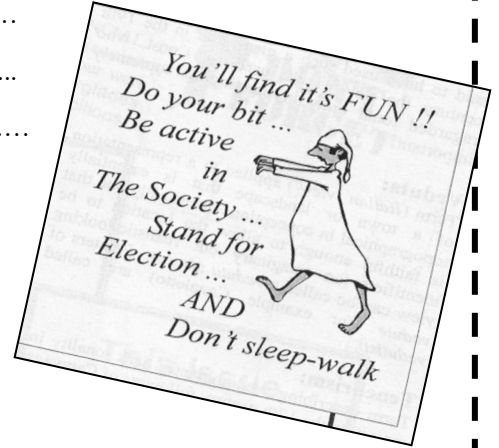
Committee Member (5 positions).....

In the Society for the year 2020.

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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 20 20

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

TEAR OUT
AND
RETURN
THIS
FORM

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Do you want your newsletter by E-MAIL ?

For renewal of my membership in the Society for the year 20 20

HOBBYIST YES NO

Please Tick

PO Box 76, Wentworth Falls, NSW, 2782

Activities Diary

DATE	ACTIVITY	Location	Booking
Mar Sat 14th	Workshop David Newman White . - Portraits	St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls Contact Dennis West 47573135	Yes
Mar Tue 17 / Wed 18th	Bus Trip the Matisse/ Picasso exhibition at the Australian National Gallery Canberra	Booking List at February Meeting Details below	
Mar Thur 19th	AGM Election of Management Committee <i>Demonstrator Ruth Dengate</i> <i>Landscape Oil</i>	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts Members Choice Theme "Abstract"	NO
Mar Thur 26th	En Plein-air Painting Annie Joseph's property "Oakfield" South Bowenfels	Directions – Great Western Hwy towards Lithgow Turn left onto Old Bathurst Road at South Bowenfels and travel to "Oakfields" on right hand side	No
Apr Thur 2nd	Painting Group & Morning Cupa	10am St. Andrews Presbyterian Church Hall Falls Rd Wentworth Falls	\$5 cost
Apr Thur 9th	Discovery Train Trip	Details to be Advised Dennis (47573135) or John (47574324)	
Apr Thur 16th	Monthly Meeting Demonstrator	1.00 pm Wentworth Falls School of Arts Members Choice Theme "Holiday Reminiscences"	
Apr Thur 23rd	En Plein-air Painting	Locality to be Advised	
July Thur 23rd	Mid-Year Luncheon	Venues being investigated	

Management Committee Meeting 6th April 2020 1pm Wentworth Falls Country Club
Exhibition Sub-committee Meeting 6th April 2020 10am Wentworth Falls Country Club

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

Volunteers!



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

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



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 19th March 2020 at **Wentworth Falls School of Arts Great Western Hwy Wentworth Falls**

AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous AGM held on 21st March 2019
2. To receive and accept Annual Financial Report (year ending 31st December 2019)
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.

A REVIEW of 2019 shows we had a good year Lots of ACTIVITIES.

?????? DO YOU WANT THIS TO CONTINUE AND GROW ?????

Time to start thinking . Annual General Meeting is 19th March

This means a new Management Committee

Some members have been serving for lengthy periods and would like a rest or at least a reduction of their work load.

Lets see some hands up and share the load

Management Committee Nine Members elected **Yearly**. Organises and Runs the Society. Appoints and delegates to Sub-committees

President Chair Meetings, Represent Society as required

Vice-President Chair Meetings in president's absence, Represent Society as required

Secretary Keep Minutes of meetings Handle Correspondence

Treasurer Keep financial records, receipt payments. Yearly Financial Statement

Five General Members These members should take on and share other duties .
Such as Publicity, Planning Trips, En Plein-air, Workshops, Exhibitions, Insurance, Social Activities, Meeting Demonstrators, Archives, and whatever is required to keep the Society running.

Public Officer. Appointed by Management. Reports annually on Society to Department of Fair Trading See page 8

Sub-committees Appointed by Management organise certain activities.. ie Exhibition, Web-site , Library. Sub-committees can only organise within the duties as delegated to them by the Management Committee.

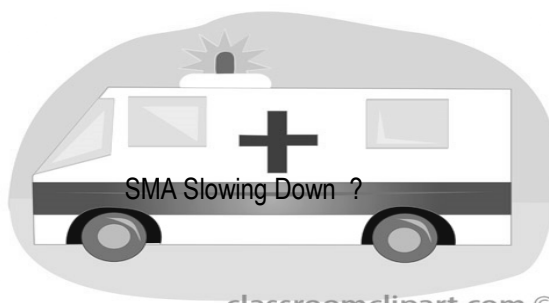
Editor

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Management may also organise members or non-members to carry out such activities as required other than Management Committee Members.

These activities are all covered by the **Constitution of the Society of Mountain Artist Inc.** which may be viewed on the Website

Examples: Afternoon teas for meetings, General publicity, Holidays bus trips, Plein-air Painting, Demonstrators for meetings, Art Workshops, Painting get togethers,



EXHIBITION CALENDAR March 2020 Onwards

*Art Gallery of NSW ;

Japan supernatural; until 11 May
Art Express 2020 ; until 26 April
In one drop of water ; until Dec 2020

*Australian National Gallery Canberra.

Matisse and Picasso until 18 April

*Penrith Regional gallery ,Emu Plains

Rachel Ormella 'I hope you get this' until 22 March

*Hawkesbury Art Gallery, Deerubinh Centre George St Windsor

Legacy-reflections of Mabo until 22 March
Fieldwork ; landscapes of Western Sydney from the AGNSW until 27 May

*Museum of Contemporary Art ;Circular Quay Sydney

Tim Johnson; Works from the 1970's and 1980;s including archive material from the MCA until 24 July

MCA collection; Today, Tomorrow, Yesterday; until 26 July

*SH Ervin gallery Observatory Hill Sydney

Margarets' [Olley] gift finishes 8 Apr
'First light 'the art of Peter Kingston [Sydney harbour] 28 March until 13 May
Salon des Refuses of the 2029 Archibald Prize starting 9 May until 28 July.

Members Choice Themes for Meetings

March – Abstract **April** – Holiday **Reminiscences** **May**. Drawing. **June**- Industrial subjects **July** – Jamieson Award
August – Floral/Flowers **September** - Marine **October** – Clouds **November**. – Own personal favourite painting

Exhibition Sub-committee

The Arts and Crafts Market which was cancelled due to transport and parking problems (Anzac Weekend)
The committee is investigating possible venues and Dates late November or early December



The Annual General Meeting prompts Reporting on Society Activities and Finances
Looking at our Bank Balance we are not broke but Reports about activities and equipment show much lower revenue.

Exhibition Screens and Lighting, Projector and Recording Equipment for Monthly Meetings all are aging and will require replacing and or repair.

As we do not have our own premises and the cost of Halls and Venues and Storage are all bearing increased costs.

The Management Committee has looked carefully at all items.

Some activities are actually running at a loss but we wish to keep charges at a reasonable level.

Exhibition Charges are about the lowest of comparable Societies and will remain unchanged.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER January—November

Production is running at a loss.

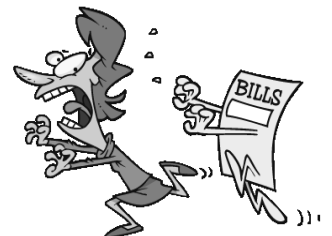
Printing, Envelopes. Address labels, Return Address labels and Postage of \$1.

It has been decided that as from start of new financial year (July) Newsletters will be sent by Email.

If a member requests Newsletters to be sent by post a fee of \$10 per annum

will be added to the subscription \$40 Plus \$10 for postage

Postage July to December 2020 \$5 will be requested.



MONTHLY MEETINGS

It is interesting that the fee requested never adds up to the number of members at the meeting.

Expenses required Hire of Hall, Payment for Demonstrator, Afternoon Tea Supplies, Gift Certificate.

Commencing April Fee will be \$5 for all attending (increase of \$1)

Please assist by having the correct money as the Treasurer is not a Bank ATM

Also NO FOREIGN coins PLEASE

Vacant Positions after AGM

Newsletter Editor (Fresh Format could be Good)

Compile Current Newsletter

Information obtained from management Meeting by attending or from Minutes

Receive President's Report and Exhibition Calendar currently prepared by Peter Ayres

By weekend before Monthly Meeting

Save copy of newsletter as PDF

Send email to Printer Currently Bennetts Printers Springwood or Katoomba Usually Sunday night before Meeting

Usually print 4 or 5 additional copies for visitors at meeting

Email PDF to SMA Members requesting **copy by email**

Send PDF copy to other ART Societies

Prepare Members address labels for members requesting Newsletter by post **Fees apply from July**

Collect Newsletter printed copies Monday morning.

Fold and place in addressed envelopes

Take Prepared envelopes to Monthly Meeting for collection

After Meeting take non collected envelopes and add stamps and mail out

Membership Records Presently done by Editor but not necessarily

Collect New Member and Membership Renewal Forms or Details from Treasurer

Enter details on Excel Spread Sheet

Note how Newsletter is required either Post or Email

This is used to made mailing address labels

Public Officer Appointed by Management Committee Currently A Blakers

A public officer is both the official point of contact for an incorporated association and one of the authorised signatories.

A committee member, an ordinary member or a person outside the association may hold the position of public officer. The public officer must be over 18 years of age and reside in New South Wales. An association's incorporation may be cancelled if it does not have a public officer or if its public officer does not comply. Every association must have an official address. The official address must be a physical address in NSW where the public officer can generally be found. It must be the premises where documents can be received by post. The official address cannot be a post office box.

The public officer must advise NSW Fair Trading of a change of official address by lodging the approved form Notice of appointment of public officer and notice of change of association address (form A9) within 28 days after the current address becomes obsolete or unusable. with these requirements.

The public officer is automatically one of the authorised signatories for the association. However, the public officer is not automatically a signatory to the association's bank account.

Prepare and send Annual Summary of Financial Affairs to Department of Fair Trading (Form A12-T2)

To be lodged within one month of Annual General meeting or additional fees apply

