

ope to see you at our AGM on Tuesday 17 March at 4.30 pm in the Studios for a review of a great 2019 and a look to the future. Wine and nibbles to follow.

A reminder that membership fees (\$15 p.a.) were due 1 January. If you haven't already renewed your membership, please do so. A form is attached should you need it. If you joined since 1 October, your membership is good for 2020. Membership cards are available.

The latest news from the SOA

The Studios are buzzing. Word is spreading about what a great little venue it is and we are also receiving inquiries about possible one-off usage. Regular bookings continue.

Margaret Moran's weekly drawing classes are being greatly enjoyed by the nine lucky people who booked early.

More great workshops are planned this month. Rita Wagner's Acrylic Pour workshop on Saturday 28 March is almost full while the Ukulele workshop with Lyndy Drury on Sunday 29 March is filling fast. All bookings through stu-dios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au. If you have any ideas for workshops, either run by you or suggestions for others, please ring Suzanne to discuss (0431 486 617).

SoART Gallery 'Be Inspired'

Entries for what promises to be a wonderful 'Be Inspired' exhibition over Easter (9-19 April) close 19 March. You must be a financial member of the School of Arts' to enter. The cost is \$20 per entry form which covers a maximum of two entries per artist. Please contact Suzanne for more details. This was a very successful exhibition for artists last year.

Streamlining SoART Gallery and Studios

Many School of Arts members have been working to streamline procedures to improve the running of our wonderful facilities and to prepare for our exciting new Arts & Community Centre.

Candelo Roadshow comes to Kinema

At the Kinema Friday 20 March 7pm:

Candelo musicians and creatives present 'a mini festival of concerts, workshops and collaborations'. Supported by South East Arts. Limited tickets from Kinema. More tickets and details from their website:

candelomusic.com.





UKULELE WORKSHOP SUNDAY MARCH 29th 11.00am - 3.00pm

Please your bring lunch
A Ukulele, sense of fun and laughter

Cost \$15

To book email: studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

Enquiries Lyndy Drury 0419147710

An impressive turnout of members at the 24th February meeting gave valuable input. We want to be as transparent as possible so all members attending and running workshops and exhibitions have a clear understanding of how Narooma School of Arts operates. Your suggestions and contributions are important to our future success so please don't hesitate to let us know your ideas for improvement.

Our team of Anne McCusker, Suzanne Dainer, and Jenny Hain will coordinate this to ensure all ideas are considered for our draft manual and procedures currently being drawn up.

Narooma Arts and Community Centre

The slow progress of our DA through Council is becoming somewhat frustrating with the resolution of some issues dependent on having a high level meeting with key Council staff. Council staff are somewhat snowed under at the moment.

All indications are the DA will be approved but the devil as always will be in the detail. Will keep you posted.

Would you like to cook for BlazeAid

Some Narooma School of Arts members and their friends have volunteered to cook for the BlazeAid team at Cobargo on the 3rd Sunday of each month starting 15

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WEBPAGE: naroomaartscentre.com.au OR naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

School of Arts' Studios welcome you

Some new and exciting workshops are planned for 2020 as well as our regular sessions. See page 1. The Studios are available for casual and regular bookings by groups or individuals for arts, cultural and educational activities.

Please check the Studios' website, this newsletter or the School of Arts' Facebook page for further details.

More information and Studio bookings: please ring Suzanne (0431486617) or email: studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

Regular Activities		
Weekly		
Tuesday	Playing with Polymer Clay	10-12.30
Wednesday	Meditation with Noi Snith	9.45 -10.45am
Wednesday	Mah-jong	1-4pm
Thursday	Thursday Art Group	1-4pm
Monthly		
Thursday	Chinese Brush Painting	2 nd Thurs 1-4pm
Friday:	Friday Friendzy	2 nd Fri 4-6pm
Sunday	Narooma Historical Society	3 rd Sun 2pm

ALL School of Arts members are welcome to the fun **Friday Friendzy** (second Friday each month) for a little gardening and housekeeping plus drinks, nibbles and chat. The next Friday Friendzy is **Friday 13 March (4-6pm).** Hope to see you there.

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March. Blaze Aid are stationed/camping at Cobargo sports grounds, and they have limited cooking facilities. We are required to cook and take down an evening meal with desert / cakes /slices for the BlazeAid volunteers one day a month for 6-12 months, depending on how long they are needed in Cobargo. We will be catering for 30 to 60 people and will be provided with catering numbers prior to our cooking 'shift'.

We have already amassed a willing team of 10, but it would be great to have a few more on board to lighten the load and allow for some flexibility when required. Please contact Jenny Hain on 0434676448 or jennyhain@bigpond.com.au if you are available even for some of that time.

BlazeAid is a volunteer-based organisation that works with families and individuals in rural Australia

after natural disasters such as fires and floods. In the Cobargo area they are mainly working to rebuild fences and other structures damaged or destroyed by the recent bushfires. More information: blazeaid.com.au/

Narooma Oyster Festival

We will have a marquee in the 'Arts Alley' at Narooma Oyster Festival on Saturday 2 May where we will promote the Arts & Community Centre. Hopefully we will have Development Approval by then.

There are also spaces available for individual artists or groups of artists and creators to secure individual stalls to sell their wares. Various options are available, so if interested go to: naroomaoysterfestival.com/stallholders/

EXHIBITIONS at SoART Gallery

We encourage all artists to consider using the SoART Gallery for an exhibition. Reasonable rates with a highly visible location on the Highway next to the Kinema. Please phone Libby 0421 321 044 to discuss and make a booking. Also please check our website ww.naroomaartscentre.com.au/soart-gallery-Narooma/

EASTER 9-19 April: 'Be Inspired' - an exhibition by member artists of Narooma School of Arts (invited to opening 6pm Thursday 9 April)

23 April-3 May: Cat Wilson 'From Fez to Casablanca'

28 May-2 June: Nadja De Brennan and Michelle Peterson

