

Art Therapy exhibits over Easter



Kim Cooke is one of 11 artists who exhibited at the 'Lorem Artis — Healing through Art exhibition' in our SoART Gallery.

The wonderful exhibition in the Gallery over Easter (1-7 April) featured a diverse range of works by eleven artists from around the Eurobodalla area.

What was special about this exhibition was the artists' invitation to us all to explore art as a healing process. Organisers said the exhibition reflects the artists' personal journeys of expressing ideas and emotions that have creatively transformed their traumatic experiences. It was also a timely exhibition

given our community's recent collective trauma from bushfires and Covid-19 restrictions.

The official opening was 3 April; it was quite exciting because few exhibitions in the last year have been able to have official openings at the Gallery because of Covid-19 restrictions. This exhibition finishes 7 April.

Don't forget to check out the other two exhibitions in the Gallery this month — the first by Michele Szucka (10-18 April), the other by Ann Espinoza (28 April – 5 May).

More School of Arts' happenings

Places in Nicki Hall's Hebel workshop

Places are still available in Nicki Hall's Hebel workshop over the weekend of 17-18 April. The workshop was moved from its original dates 20-21 March because of rain. While fully booked for the March weekend, with the change in dates some spaces became available. Please contact Suzanne Dainer if you are interested. The cost is \$70 for SOA members, \$90 for non members.

The School of Arts' AGM

This was held on 16 March. You should have already received the draft minutes from that meeting. The AGM elected the following to the School of Arts' committee for 2021:

- President — Jenni Bourke
- Vice President — Wendy Ambler
- Treasurer — Anne McCusker
- Secretary — Laurelle Pacey
- Committee members — Bob Aston, Suzanne Dainer, Joy Macfarlane, Ann Espinoza

Urban landscapes painting workshop

Canberra-based artist Waratah Lahy, will run an Urban Landscapes painting workshop through the School of Arts over the weekend 29-30 May (9.30am-3pm). Waratah is a sessional lecturer at the Australian National University School of Art & Design. She is represented by May Space Online.

Please see flyer over page. The cost is \$180 (SOA members) or \$200 (others).

Website redesign

Work is progressing well on redesigning the website with content still being finalised. A subcommittee has been working closely with Barb McConchie on this.

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**Please join us for Friday Friendlyz
9 April from 4pm.
Please BYOD and something to
share. Hope we see you then.**

Update on the NACC Project

We won't hear until June if our application for a \$7.28m grant under the Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund has been successful.

Meanwhile representatives of the NACC Project Steering Group and the School of Arts committee will update councillors and Council staff next month about our plans for Narooma Arts & Community Centre (NACC) to meet needs identified by our community and highlighted by the recent bushfires.



Gallery Exhibitions

Our boutique gallery provides a wonderful intimate space for artists to exhibit their work. All enquiries welcome. Please check our website for more information
www.naroomaartscentre.com.au.

Booking enquiries: soartnarooma@gmail.com.

- 10-18 April:** Michele Szuka exhibition
- 28 April-5 May:** Ann Espinoza exhibition
- 18-26 September:** RIVER OF ART PRIZE EXHIBITION



urban landscapes painting workshop waratah lahy

Urban Landscapes is a workshop that focuses on composition, tone and colour inspired by the street scapes of Narooma.

Participants will undertake a series of exercises to create a number of drawings and sketches culminating in the creation of an urban landscape painting.

Materials will include charcoal, paper and/or board, colour pencils / pastels and acrylic paint. A full list of materials will be provided upon registration.

29 - 30 May 2021
Narooma School of Arts
Narooma NSW

\$180 Members NSoA
\$200 Non-Members NSoA

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register: studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

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Upcoming classes and workshops

Other fascinating classes and workshops are being planned for coming months. Details are still to be confirmed. For more information, please email Suzanne studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

Our Studios welcome everyone

The Studios are open for casual and regular bookings by groups or individuals for arts, cultural and educational activities, as well as specialty workshops. Covid restrictions apply.

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

More information and for Studio bookings: please ring Suzanne (0431 486 617) or email: studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

The next Friday Friendly for SOA members will be Friday 9 April at 4pm. Please BYOD plus something to share.

WEEKLY		
Monday	Urban Sketchers en plein air — Ring coordinator Karen Busuttill 0458 181282 for details	9.00 am
	South East Arts — private booking through April	12-3.30
Tuesday	Playing with Polymer Clay	10-12.30
	Narooma Plein Air Group with Margaret Moran	AM no set time
Wednesday	Meditation with Noi Snith.	9.45 -10.45am
	Mah-jong	1-4pm
Thursday	Thursday Art Group	1-4pm
Friday	Marg Moran's Water Colour classes—fully booked	9.30-12.30
USUALLY MONTHLY		
Sunday	Narooma Historical Society - Lynda Ord 'Animal war heroes'	2pm 16 May