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*Welcome Members, Friends and Associates to our July Newsletter. We hope that with the weather so chilly outside, you are taking the opportunity to snuggle up inside to paint, potter, draw, or sew, creating some form of pleasing art work!*

### Exhibitions

The Photography Competition/Exhibition held in June was well worth the effort and attracted a pleasing number of visitors during that week, especially with the weather being so bleak.

Congratulations to the following:

First Prize Winners: Jan Stewart, Susan Byrnes, Jessea-Lea Byrnes, Sherrie Whitty, Anita Redfern.

Owing to the high standard of works on display, many Highly Commended Awards were also issued, especially to the Junior Exhibitors Daniel Swanston, Chelsea Burton, Cassey Dukes and Jessea-Lea Byrnes.

The People's Choice award went to Len Reade's "Pink Rose". The award winning photographs are now hanging in the Platypus Gallery. Margie Duggan was the lucky winner of the raffle.

The Art Society Committee has decided to forward Evaluation Sheets to each exhibitor for this and future exhibitions and competitions, so that we can take note of suggestions and comments made, both positive and negative, to ensure future exhibitions maintain a high standard of presentation.

**Don't forget the Camera Club meets the first Thursday of every month at the Northside Chapel at 7pm.**

Preparations are well under way for our next Exhibition in September by the Forbes Embroiders/Textiles Group. This Exhibition in the Town Hall will be officially opened on the Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm (followed by afternoon tea), through the following week to Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012. Please contact Helen Hurley **68511443** OR Rosalie White **68522982** if you wish to know more about this particular Exhibition.

We are also currently contacting the Art Teachers at all the local schools, to remind them of our Children's Art Competition to be held from 26<sup>th</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

### Gallery News

As the majority of you are already aware, the Platypus Gallery is continuing to thrive amid so much public support and ever increasing sales of art works. **We change the display every 5-6 weeks so we need new works all the time.** A special thank you to all who

volunteer to supervise in our Gallery – without your support, this venture would not be viable. On that note, I have had comment made on the “very welcoming, helpful and professional Gallery assistants”!!!

**Biographies:** To those who exhibit works in the Platypus Gallery and the Medical Centre, could you **please** provide us with a brief overview about yourself.....that is: your name, address, contact details; how long you have been painting/drawing/sewing/sculpting/photography; what medium you prefer to work with (and maybe why); any competitions you have entered and any prizes you have been awarded; what workshops/tuitions you have attended or delivered. Your biography will be printed onto individual cards and filed in the Gallery register to be given to those who purchase your respective art works. You may email your biography directly to Keith: [kjmullette@activ8.net.au](mailto:kjmullette@activ8.net.au) or Klara: [flemington10@gmail.com](mailto:flemington10@gmail.com), or take it directly to the Platypus Gallery.

The Platypus Gallery also has its own email address = [platypusgallery@gmail.com](mailto:platypusgallery@gmail.com)

## Workshops

**Ted Lewis' Oil workshop** held on the weekend of **19-20<sup>th</sup> May** was very well attended and received with many now changing their preferred medium to oils! Ted is also conducting another workshop for us on the weekend of **1-2<sup>nd</sup> September** in **acrylic medium**

**Elsie Mahon's 7-8<sup>th</sup> July**

**Malcolm Carver's Watercolour workshop** at the end of this month is already booked out.

As Klara is going overseas shortly, her watercolour Workshop for Beginners will be held some time in **October**.

## Beginner's Classes

Wednesday night classes in drawing, perspective, light and shade and oil painting, have been a huge success with so many commenting how much confidence they now have in approaching and attempting "Art". A special thank you to our Tutors, Toni Caines, Ian West and Keith Mullette - your inspiration and support is much appreciated by so many.

STOP PRESS: venue for classes on Wednesday evenings will now be in the Baptist Church Hall **Attlee Street**

## Membership

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER**.....Membership fees are now due. Renewals = \$30.00. New Members = \$35.00. Family = \$40.00. **Concession: \$25.00** Please contact our Treasurer, Leone Morrison on 6851 1054 or **send form together with payment to Forbes Arts Society PO Box 878 Forbes 2871.**

Direct Debit to: St George Bank BSB: 112-879 Account No: 467 226 687.

Thank you to all those who have already paid and especially to the many **new** Members

and, Friends of the Society.....welcome!

***Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact either:***

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