

Newsletter

December 2024

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CABBI GENERAL MEETING:
November 26th (Tues): 2pm

THE GALLERY REHANG:
December 1st (Sunday!): 1pm

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President's Report

Can you believe that it is nearly the end of the year?

I know that I am certainly looking forward to the start of the New Year and our 40th Art & Craft Exhibition. All the invitations have gone out to members, sponsors and invited guests. Please volunteer to distribute our exhibition posters and flyers (see below).

Keep an eye out for our Exhibition in the local papers, on the digital platform and via the radio. Share any social media posts as this increases our exposure to many more potential visitors.

The Eurobodalla triples in size as a fabulous tourist destination over the holiday period and we need to let everyone know about our Creative Arts 40th Exhibition. Aren't we lucky though to have this wonderful area all year round.

A warm welcome to our newest CABBI members: Christina Allen, Elizabeth Westra, and Di Clark. You can read all about them further in this newsletter.

Our General Meeting on 26 November: A good turnout attended with everyone interested in Amanda's new craft products that she demonstrated. These included quickset resin, moulds, paper clay and paints with different effects. These give a metallic or antique look to the resin shape for inclusion in cards, decoupage, collage or steam punk work. Amanda also talked about paint brush maintenance and the products that can keep them in "good as new" condition.

After a delicious afternoon tea, a General Meeting was held where the new adjustable LED Exhibition lights were demonstrated in comparison to the old ones. Gary had examples of the 9"x5" boards on a display stand and Ian spoke about where the CABBI Committee was up to in organising the 40th CABBI Art Exhibition. All CABBI members are needed to make this a very successful Exhibition. Please volunteer!

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The Gallery Twilight on 2nd December showcased Deb Ellis's incredible textile craft and Karen Warburton's amazing wood offcut constructions. It was a small crowd due to Deb unfortunately being unwell, and couldn't attend but Carleta kindly gave Deb's talk about her work. Karen was very entertaining about how, as a teacher, she started on her construction art journey. These Twilights are a bi-monthly social gathering and it is wonderful to hear how artists' interests can transform their lives. The next Gallery Twilight is on 3rd February at 4.30pm. A postscript: Deb is finally on the mend.

CABBI's 40th Art Exhibition is not to be missed! **The Opening Night on the 3rd January 2025** will have a party like atmosphere. You would have recently received your personal invitation so come along and bring your family and friends. The CABBI Committee is very busy organising it all and we thank those that have already volunteered to help set up on the 30th December 2024. We do need muscle though to cart the heavier equipment! The entered art works will be received on the 31st December. Let us hope that our Exhibition visitors love your innovative art & craft, with sales to match.

To those volunteers on the daily Exhibition roster, it is vital for the Peoples Choice cards to be given out to all Exhibition visitors and that postcodes are recorded on these. This gives CABBI vital data about where to spend our future Exhibition marketing \$'s more effectively.

The **Exhibition will close 1pm on Monday 20th January 2025**, so we will need volunteers after midday to help take down the exhibition and clean up the hall.

A decision will be made soon as to the choice of charity benefiting from the 9"x5" sales. Garry says that there have been 170 boards taken for art works. We hope the flat rate \$50 price tag on them will get them flying off the shelf!

A huge thank you goes to the local businesses which have come on board to sponsor CABBI for our 40th Exhibition. We will be including all the sponsor logos on CABBI promotional material during 2025. Until we get all the business logos, a list of our sponsors is at the end of this newsletter. Please support our sponsors with your purchases.

Workshops:

Sheryl's recent water colour and mixed media workshop was an outstanding success. So much so, she is holding another one early in 2025. Workshop Coordinator, Garry, tells me he has 3 different workshops lined up till Easter next year. Keep tuned so you don't miss out!



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Basil Sellers Art Prize 2024:

Representing CABBI, Carleta and I went to the Awards night last week at The BAS Moruya. It was quite the gathering of artists. Congratulations to all the 29 finalists that included our very own CABBI member, **Grace Paleg!** Also, CABBI members Carleta Delac and Dave Ramsland were in the final selection of hundreds of paintings submitted. Well done to these artists.



Grace Paleg with her pastel on paper 'The Road to Central Tilba, 2024'

The biennial Acquisitive Award of \$25,000 went to Lexie Watt's beautiful drawing with water colour called Wind blown Trees Bumbo Headland 2024. It is well worth visiting this Exhibition. Basil Sellers, who is the philanthropist that contributes to this Australia wide award has just increased the Acquisitive Prize money to \$50,000. Eurobodalla Council also contributes a \$5000 prize. So that is a great incentive to get painting for the next Awards night!

Dates to remember:

Sunday 9th February: General Meeting and Exhibition wrap with a thankyou BBQ especially for all Exhibition Volunteers at The Eurobodalla Botanic Gardens. More details closer to the date.

Can I say that it has been a pleasure to work with such a can-do Committee. Thank you for all that you, and your helpers, have done and will (hopefully) continue to turn up for, in 2025. Meanwhile, everyone have a fun, but safe, festive season with your family and friends. Keep painting, crafting and creating!

Lin
President, CABBI



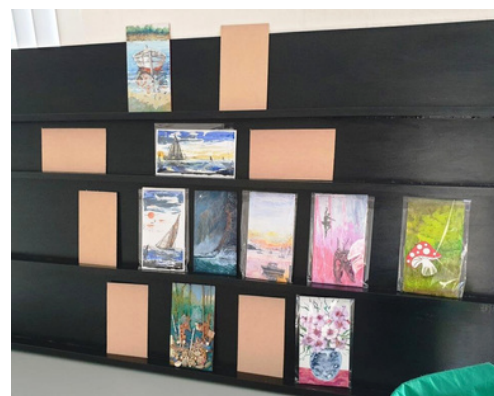
From Our CABBI Management Committee 2024 - 2025



Left to Right: Gary Kemp, Lin Barnes, Ian (Yogi) Barnes, Camelle Denny, Carleta Delac, David John

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NOVEMBER'S GENERAL MEETING



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December

- **Mon 23rd** Exhibition Committee Meeting
- **Mon 30th** Exhibition setup
- **Tues 31st** Exhibition hanging

January

- **Wed 1st** Public Holiday
- **Thurs 2nd** Exhibition judging
- **Fri 3rd** 6pm Exhibition Opening
- **Sat 4th** Exhibition doors open to the public
- **Mon 20th** Exhibition closing & pack-up
- **Tues 28th** Committee meeting

February

- **Sun 9th** General meeting & BBQ for Exhibition volunteers, at the Botanic Gardens
- **Tues 11th** Committee meeting

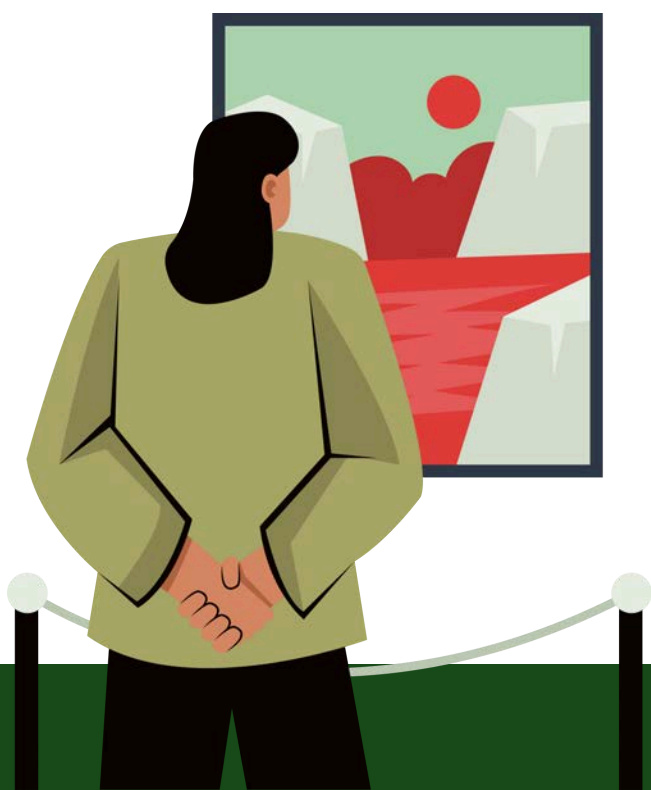




Our Exhibition opens in less than three weeks!

Everything is on track for a great event. The dates of each stage of the Exhibition are in the calendar above. Note that this year we are holding an Opening of the Exhibition before we open the doors to the public.

- We have a very good listing of entries with a spread through all categories. Garry is now cataloging entries and fine tuning their management through the exhibition timetable. He would also like to remind entrants of the following:
 - **Deliver** your entry, including 9x5 pieces, **9.30-11.30am on 31st December.**
 - **Pick up** your entry **1-2pm on 20th January**
 - Make sure your entry has an information tag on the back
 - Check your bank statement to confirm your fees are correct and paid
 - Be sure of your roster duty days/times
- There has been a lot of interest in the 9x5 category. The board supply from the Gallery is exhausted but there is still plenty of time, right up to 31st, to make your own board and create an entry.
- Our President has single handedly gained a suite of willing sponsors from local businesses. The advertising of our 2025 sponsors will shortly begin.
- Arrangements for the Exhibition Opening Ceremony are being finalised. Fiona Phillips MP will open the Exhibition. Our ESC Mayor, Matt Hatcher will also be in attendance. You will have received your personal invitation per email. Don't forget to also invite your family and friends.
 - The roster of volunteers to run the daily shifts of the exhibition has been distributed.
 - The furniture renovation program is nearing completion.
 - It is not too late to volunteer your help. In particular, once I have some more accurate timings, I will be asking for able bodied assistants to move the panels and lights into position on the morning of 30th Dec. Wait for the email closer to the day. And, of course, help will be needed on the day of pack up, 20th January.



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40TH
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Arts & Crafts EXHIBITION

JANUARY 4 - 20



From now, until 20th January, we need your help in publicising the event. Bearing in mind that the Batemans Bay southern shortcut now diverts traffic away from the High School area, we now rely on prospective visitors knowing, by all sorts of methods, when and where the exhibition is on.

We can no longer rely on a chance “drive by” of visitors seeing the signage at the High School.

You can help by:

- Distributing the previously emailed electronic copy of the flyer to your friends, relatives, social clubs, workmates etc, directly or by social media
- Printing a copy of the flyer and posting it on your local community notice board
- Grabbing a bunch of flyers from the stocks held at the Gallery, Mogo, and doing a letterbox drop, preferably by suburb. **If you do, please contact me first, secretary@cabbi.com.au** so I can track where these are going. It avoids others doubling up on the effort and I can also target resulting “holes” in the landscape. So far, the following areas have been covered: Batemans Bay township, Mogo, Rosedale.
- Please keep the effort going right through to the 20th January.

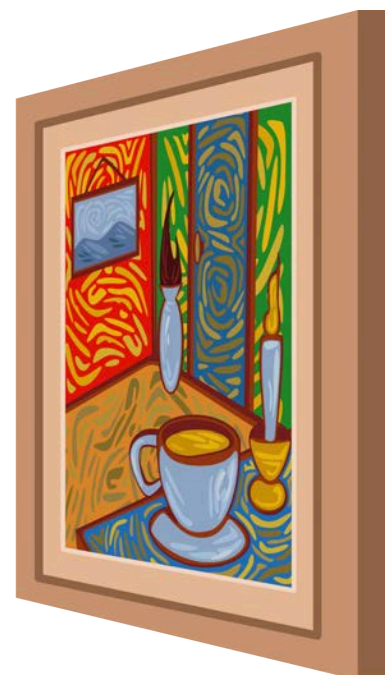
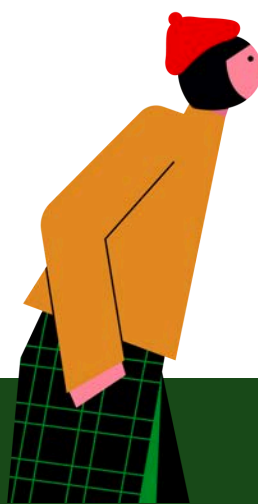
In summary, the Exhibition is shaping up to be a good one, a significant event on the South Coast art calendar. It is your show, your chance to display the very best of CABBI talent. Hopefully, it will also be a commercial success for you, and for CABBI. The CABBI Management Committee looks forward to seeing you at the Opening.

Ian
Secretary & Exhibition Coordinator

NEWS?

If you have information or news to share, please send it to Kelly Ryner for inclusion in our Newsletter, and/or Sheryl Miller for our Social Media:

- newsletter@cabbi.com.au
- sunbaymiller@gmail.com



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome

My serious interest in photography dates back to my studies at Photography Studies College in the 1980s where I obtained a Diploma of Fine Art Photography.

Since then, digital photography has come into its own and I am exploring different ways of expressing myself within this art form. I moved to the South Coast from Melbourne to work at the Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens. One of my other passions is for native plants and I still volunteer at the Gardens.

Since moving to the South Coast, I am undertaking further studies in photography online and enjoying the stunning, local environment. I enjoy working in a more abstract style and experimenting with colour and movement. Searching for the light.

At present I am interested in my immediate surroundings, whether that is my home and a reflection through a window or my local natural environment early in the morning.

Look closely and you will be surprised at what you see.

Di Clark
Rosedale NSW

**Please Welcome our new members:
Di Clark, Christina Allen & Patricia Estrada**

My journey - I commenced weaving & sculpture with natural & recycled fibers after leaving a high pressure volunteer role in my community. I undertook a day weaving course & I was hooked.

The idea of giving life to an old pair of jeans or collecting natural fibers from my garden or around bushland & beaches near Nelligen where I live takes me to another space.

I believe creating is good for the soul.

Christina Allen
Natures Weave

Christina is now showing at The Gallery for two months



I am Patricia and I'm currently based in Batemans Bay, NSW. I grew up in the Philippines and have been interested in art and sketching since I was a kid, inspired by my father who is an artist himself. My medium is acrylics and I usually paint for fun, at the request of family and friends, and sometimes do commissions. I usually paint different scenes of nature, cartoon characters and minimalist portraits on canvas, as well as on clothing (e.g. denim jackets and shoes). The more colorful, the better.

All of my artworks are displayed in my Instagram page, @triciaestrada_art.

Patricia Estrada



REMINDER!

Engaging with our social media posts, encourages the algorithm to share our posts on other people's feed, encouraging new followers.



Please like and comment!

Our Next Gallery Rehang is Sunday, 2nd of February 1pm

Well December has arrived, and the usual cry “where has the year gone” is ringing out around the Bay. Christmas is only a few weeks away and our yearly **Exhibition commences January 3, 2025**. Entries have closed, so I hope all of our artists and artisans are hard at work producing some exciting works to exhibit. The **9x5 panels** have all been collected from The Gallery, so we are expecting some fun and frivolous works collected to raise money for a youth charity.

Twilight Night for Karen Warburton and Deb Ellis was held on Monday December 2nd. Once again The Gallery is looking fresh and ready for the Festive Season.

A big **THANK YOU** to those exhibitors who heeded our request for quality framing and the use of glass or upper grade Perspex. It certainly makes a big difference.

Beginning February, we will be Featuring Lin Barnes and Lyn Ewart.

The Exhibition Committee has been hard at work, with the mammoth job of collating the entry forms and roster. **A HUGE THANK YOU to Garry and Camelle** for handling all of the complex collating.

Carleta Delac
Gallery Manager



Gallery Committee

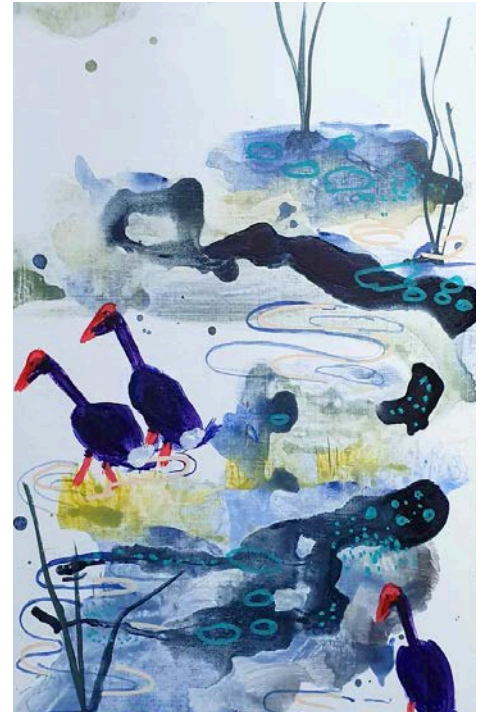
Manager - Carleta Delac
Roster - Camelle Denny
Garry Kemp, Anne Bruce, Noelene Gibbs, and
Barb Stewart

And don't forget to email Sheryl Miller with photos and ideas to be featured in our social media:

sunbaymiller@gmail.com

OPPORTUNITIES

SATURDAY SOCIAL ART GROUP



When: Saturdays, 1.00pm - 4.00pm

Where: Uniting Church, Hanging Rock

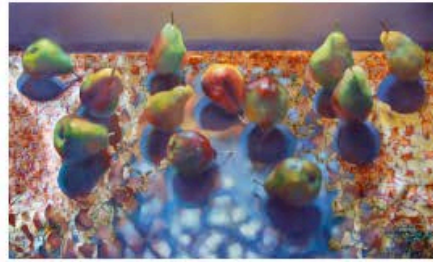
For the past two weeks, we have been concentrating on the 9 x 5 exhibition. We have officially closed for 2024 and plan to reconvene on February 7 2025.

Wishing all our members a Wonderful safe Festive Season.

Our official Christmas function is Saturday Dec 14 at the Catalina Club Batemans Bay. Please contact Michelle Purcell if you wish to attend. - Carleta



WORKSHOPS



AGRA Workshops

Australian Guild of Realist Artist

Grace Paleg AGRAF VPSA

Pastel with Gold, Silver and Iridised Leaf Workshop
@ the Grace Paleg Fine Art Studio Gallery
40 Tasman St Surf Beach NSW 2536

Saturday 11th January 2025

Saturday 8th February 2025

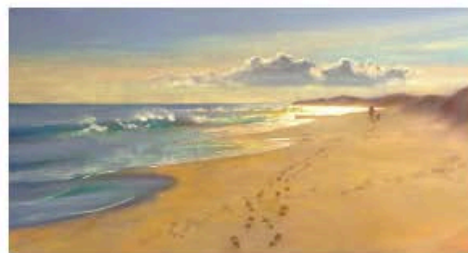
\$120 for the day - 9.30 am to 4.30 pm

Includes Lunch and leaf materials

The following Sundays on each date are available for those wishing to extend for \$80 a day

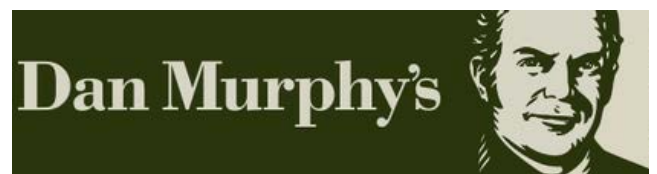
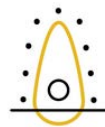
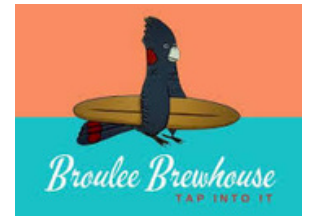
Set up a still life or bring your own sensational light filled photograph to learn this method of creating your own individual pastel masterpiece. Do as many days as you wish

Ring Grace 0409826104 for bookings or more info



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