

SHOALHAVEN ART SOCIETY NEWS

www.shoalhavenartsociety.org
Email: info@shoalhavenartsociety.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Committee Meeting

Please visit our website for
dates/times and locations
of upcoming meetings

Workshop

'Elements of Drawing'
with Keith Dewell
03-04 June 2023

Visit our website for more
information

Workshop

'Painting Clouds'
with Phil Miles
24-25 June 2023

Visit our website for more
information

Thursday Plein Air Group

Immerse yourself in the beautiful
Shoalhaven and create amazing
landscape artworks.

All skill levels welcome.
Bring your own art supplies and
thermos.

Contact: Mark Rayment
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SAS Open Art Exhibition

23 Sep - 14 Oct

Shoalhaven Regional Gallery
Keep an eye on the website
as further details become
available

Dear Members,

We have a new committee following the Annual General Meeting held on Monday 23rd February at the Nowra Players Theatre in Bomaderry. We would like to thank the Nowra Players for allowing us to use their lovely premises.

Committee Positions:

Office bearers:

President: Ann Sudmalis

Vice President: Col Darley

Secretary: Anne Gardner

Treasurer: Alison Stewart

Exhibition Coordinator: Col Darley

Fundraising Officer: Ann Norman

Public Officer: Ann Sudmalis

Committee members:

Cindy Florence

Martin Shaliapin

Roslyn Wilson

Phil Miles

Jeff Hunter





from the President:

Hello members, a big thank you to the Committee, friends of the committee, and members involved in the Pyree Easter Art Sale. While we did not achieve the sales levels of 2022, we still had a very positive outcome. Briefly, the sales of the 28 art works exceeded \$10,000. From the donations, sale commissions and the guessing competition, we can support Bravehearts and Salt Ministries with \$1000 each.

Callala Bay Community Centre has kindly offered their screens for a very low price, these will be modified and stored courtesy of the Bendigo Community Bank in Nowra. Thank you to both organisations.

The two guessing competition winners live locally so they were able to receive their paintings on Tuesday 11th April.

In addition, we can welcome some new members and warmly greet some returning members.

As with all events, constructive criticism is great. Please email your 10 cents worth, to info@shoalhavenartsociety.org


All the best in painting, drawing, and creating, regards from Ann.

Shoalhaven Art Society would like to acknowledge our appreciation to our sponsors. Our ongoing partnership with all our sponsors enables the continuation of our fine art society.

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“The worst enemy to creativity is self-doubt” Sylvia Plath

Upcoming SAS Workshps

'Elements of Drawing' with Keith Dewell

03 - 04 June 10am to 3pm

The basis for all Fine Art is good design. Whether you are making realistic or abstract art, there is something very satisfying about getting the right shape in the right place. This is where good drawing skills come in ... the ability to draw shapes and their relationships fluently and accurately; to adjust if necessary.

This workshop will show how a systematic approach to drawing shapes can help you get it just right. The key elements you will learn are how to:

- simplify the shapes
- work systematically from big to small shapes
- know how to correct if something isn't quite right

We will cover the subjects of still life, landscape, and people.

Day 1: Overview, drawing still life and landscape

Day 2: Drawing people and portraits

The workshop be held in at Keith's studio in Berry, and a materials list and location details will be emailed upon registration. Tuition fee \$180 members, \$200 non-members plus booking fee.

Visit <https://shoalhavenartsociety.org/workshops> for further details

Brief biography: Keith studied at the Julian Ashton Art School Sydney. He also taught drawing and painting at the school for many years. He also taught at MacGregor Summer school and Winter workshops for eleven years.

SHOALHAVEN ART SOCIETY

presents

PAINTING CLOUDS & SKY

a workshop with fine artist Phil Miles

Join accomplished fine artist, Phil Miles, for a two-day workshop, where participants will learn about painting clouds and sky. Phil will introduce people to the 'colour crescent', which is his technique of handling colours for landscape painting, and he will discuss general topics such as observation.

Students will paint two different cloud paintings over the weekend and step-by-step tuition will be provided. The workshop be held in a private garden studio near Tomerong.

Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 June

10am-3pm both days

A materials list and location details will be emailed upon registration

Tuition fee \$180 members, \$200 non-members plus booking fee.

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Shoalhaven Art Society

Celebrating the creative talent of Shoalhaven Artists

Please take the time out to visit our website. We have added a page called 'What's New?' which is aimed at providing information of upcoming art events in the region. If you are aware of an exhibition, or an event, or even a TV documentary, anything that you think will be of interest to our art community, then please send us an email and we will endeavour to add it to the page

We also have a 'Featured Artists' page, which profiles our members with one of their artworks and a brief bio of their artistic journey and influences.

We would obviously like to add more members to this page (we have over 80 members in our Society!)

To be included, please email us with a picture of one of your artworks and a brief synopsis (100 words or less) describing your artistic background. We can also add a link to your website if you have one.

We really appreciate and seek your feedback on our website - what would you like to see more of, what would you like to see less of? Without your input we don't know if we are providing what you would like to see on our website.

SAS website (<https://shoalhavenartsociety.org/>)



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**“Art is what you
can get away with”
Andy Warhol**

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The Art Hub Studio & Gallery

The Art Hub is a creative hub in the heart of Nowra with a large working art studio and gallery. Classes and workshops are offered in all painting mediums, textile dyeing, shibori, resin, alcohol inks, acrylic pouring, basket weaving, creative writing, poetry and much more.

We welcome all ages and abilities and accept Creative Kids vouchers from Service NSW. NDIS clients and other community groups are also welcome to join us for classes, workshops or creative special event occasions. We are wheelchair accessible and dog friendly. Dog beds are provided for our visiting seeing eye dogs and therapy dogs.

Holiday activities operate for students aged 5 to 17 and students can also join our classes held during the school terms.

We encourage and embrace all forms of art. Our desire is to create a community hub that brings art to life for everyone in an inviting, inclusive, comfortable and caring atmosphere.

Please visit <https://www.thearthub-studiogallery.com.au/> for more details

“Art is too important not to share” Romero Britto

OpenField Arts Festival Berry 23 - 25 Jun 10am - 5pm

OpenField is a new multidisciplinary arts festival in Berry, and will showcase contemporary art in 11 unique non-museum venues around Berry, including the Berry School of Arts, Berry Courthouse, and the Berry Museum, of local and visiting artists across disciplines of sculpture, dance, photography, performance, painting, installation and music.



The festival will also include a public program of free and ticketed events including performances, talks, live music and a pop-up cinema. Tickets will be on sale via www.openfield.org.au.

The OpenField festival supports and invites First Nations perspectives and presents work by local and visiting First Nations artists, educators and performers.

Visit www.openfield.org.au for more details



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What's New?

Current and upcoming exhibitions

Millhouse Art Society – Autumn Art Exhibition Millhouse Art Gallery Courtyard Studios **27 Feb – 29 May**

Visit Milton's local Art Gallery, exhibiting local artists work at affordable prices. The society runs four seasonal exhibitions at the Millhouse Gallery throughout the year.

Visit <https://www.millhouseartsociety.com/> for further details.

Robertson Art Prize Robertson CTC **04 – 27 May**

Robertson district will be celebrating in May with the 2023 Robertson Art Prize. Entries are now closed but next time you stop in Robertson you can view the artworks at Robertson CTC.

Hours: Thurs to Fri 10am - 4pm and Sat 9am -1pm

Archibald, Wynne and Sulman Prizes Art Gallery of New South Wales **6 May - 3 Sep**

The Archibald Prize for portrait painting is arguably Australia's favourite and most significant art award. The Wynne Prize is awarded to the best landscape painting of Australian scenery, or figure sculpture, while the Sulman Prize is given to the best subject painting, genre painting or mural project in oil, acrylic, watercolour or mixed media.

See <https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au> for more information.

Thirroul Seaside and Arts Festival Thirroul District Community Centre **02 - 04 June**

The Thirroul Seaside and Arts Festival is a not-for-profit project of the Austinmer/Thirroul Lions Club Inc. - all proceeds raised are donated back into the community. The festival is made possible through support to local artists by the Lions Club and the many volunteers who provide their skills and time. Visit <https://www.thirroulfestival.com.au/art-entries>

OpenField Arts Festival Berry **23 - 25 June** 10am - 5pm

OpenField is a new multidisciplinary arts festival in Berry, including sculpture, dance, photography, performance, painting, installation and music, showcased in 11 unique non-museum venues around Berry, including the Berry School of Arts and the Courthouse.

For more information visit www.openfield.org.au.

FLOW - a National Contemporary Watercolour Prize Wollongong Art Gallery **26 Aug 2023 - 17 Mar 2024** Entries close 5pm, Friday 11 August 2023

FLOW is a biennial acquisitive competition open to artists from around Australia, aimed at encouraging innovation and experimentation in watercolour painting, including works on paper in watercolour, acrylic, gouache, pen and ink, and watercolour mixed media. For more information visit

<http://www.wollongongartgallery.com/exhibitions/Pages/Artist-Information.aspx>

Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award Main Gallery at Hazelhurst **16 Sep – 12 Nov 2023** Entries close 30 Jun 23

The biennial Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award (awards totalling \$26,000) is a significant national exhibition that showcases outstanding art created with, on or about paper and includes a diverse range of works including drawing, printmaking, collage, photography, sculpture, paper cuts and video. Conditions of entry are available at <https://cms.ssc.nsw.gov.au/Community/Hazelhurst/What39s-on/Enter-Now-Hazelhurst-Art-on-Paper-Award-2023>

Add this one to your calendar ...

Get ready!



56th
Annual

Open Art Exhibition

23 SEPT - 14 OCT 2023

Including the Shoalhaven Youth Art Prize

Visit the Shoalhaven Art Society website for further details as they become available

shoalhavenartsociety.org

Pyree Art Sale

The second Shoalhaven Art Society Art Sale has now ended but it was a great Easter art weekend and the weather even played the game for the most part! The display of over 150 artworks was absolutely amazing and showcased the talent and variety to be found within the Shoalhaven. We want to thank everyone who participated over the long weekend - without your help this type of event would never have been possible!



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“Painting is easy when you don’t know how, but very difficult when you do” Edgar Degas



VALE - Ivan 'Chips' Gray



Born in 1929 on a remote dairy farm near Leongatha, South Gippsland, Ivan was a shy child and recalls running to hide under the house when visitors arrived. His grandmother on his father's side was a keen amateur artist and encouraged Ivan to draw long before he started school. Like most country children, Ivan enrolled in the Gould League of Bird Lovers and native birds of the Gippsland forests became his main subjects. He was encouraged to enter his works in competitions held by various publications and was frequently awarded certificates of competency. Ivan also developed a keen interest in photography and he used a Kodak Box Brownie from an early age and processed his own films. During secondary school at Preston Tech he attended subjects such as free art (posters, sculpture) and technical drawing. Ivan enlisted in the RAN in 1948 where he spent 21 years and earned the nickname 'Chips' following his resemblance to the actor, Chips Rafferty. He regularly contributed cartoons to Navy publications and he served with D'Arcy Doyle and (Prof.) John Edwards. Following medical discharge due to back injuries sustained on active service in Malaya, Ivan attended TAFE instruction in Show card and Ticket writing under the tutelage of John Edwards, and often the lesson would move to landscape painting. Nearing retirement, Ivan later attended watercolour instruction with Ron Kingsbury. Ivan was a long standing member of the Shoalhaven Art Society and he will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Many hands make light work ...

The SAS Committee is always looking for volunteers to assist with the many tasks needed to make our art society work (training will be provided). If you are interested in assisting with any of the following tasks please send us an email:

Workshop Manager: we are seeking someone to manage our workshops i.e. finding enthusiastic people (both within and external to our Society) to run one or two-day artistic workshops; assisting with locations and advertising the events

Assisting with updating and maintaining our website

Assisting with the Newsletter and other flyers using a program called CANVA

Assisting set up EventBrite or Jotform for our workshops and exhibitions

Contributions to Newsletter

If you would like to contribute some news, photos of your artworks or upcoming events, please email the newsletter editor at info@shoalhavenartsociety.org



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"The artist is not a different kind of person, but every person is a different kind of artist" Eric Gill

Please ensure your continued support for the arts in the Shoalhaven. Thank you to all those members who have paid their fees. Annual fees are \$30 for adults and \$10 for junior members (18 years and under).

Pay online on our website
www.shoalhavenartsociety.org

Membership benefits include:

- Opportunity to exhibit and sell work
- Invitations to workshops
- Tours / art excursions
- Networking with other local artists
- Discounts on art supplies and framing
- Invitations to art show openings
- Volunteering with Shoalhaven Art Society
- Mentoring other art students
- Attending art lectures
- Join a Plein Air Group

And Much More!

What would you like to see your Society do?
Let us know at **info@shoalhavenartsociety.org**

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Plein Air Group
Meets Thursdays
Call Mark Rayment:
0412 228 854

**Expressions of Interest
Workshop Tutors**

Shoalhaven Art Society are seeking expressions of interest from members who would like to tutor a workshop in 2023. Workshops are a great way to learn new skills and build community within the arts. Email your idea and when you would like to hold a workshop to

info@shoalhavenartsociety.org

**Sponsorship - Supporting
Shoalhaven Art Society Financially**

Sponsoring Shoalhaven Art Society ensures the pursuit and longevity of the Visual Arts within the Shoalhaven. If you would consider a sponsorship arrangement with Shoalhaven Art Society or know a business who would consider sponsorship, please contact our Sponsorship Officer, Ann Norman via email

info@shoalhavenartsociety.org

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