

# HALF DOZEN GROUP OF ARTISTS

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## ART IN THE PARK - 22nd Oct 16



Calling on all members to participate in this special occasion!!

OFFICIAL OPENING  
Of the  
HDGA STUDIO & MURAL  
By  
Brisbane LORD MAYOR  
GRAHAM QUIRK

AND  
**MEMBERS' ART EXHIBITION**



Opportunity to  
Exhibit your work



See Page 2 for Details



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## Details re 22nd October “Art in the Park” Day

### Further to cover page:

This day is an **important milestone in the HDGA's history** thus far, and **your participation is needed** to ensure that it is a positive and memorable event .

As previously announced, the November Folio show has been cancelled. Although some thought had been given to participation in the BVAC pop-up shop event in Nov, the committee decided that the opening of the Studio & Mural would be a great opportunity for members to showcase their work in the HDGA's own Studio. See Studio news for progress reports on various issues, some of which will enhance **the first exhibition to be held in the studio.**

A large marquee will be set up in the Studio grounds and plenty of seating available.

There are lots of ways in which you can help make the day a success. **FULL details will be provided in due course.**

In the meantime, the following is food for consideration (re ways to help)!

- Hire a market table for \$20.00. All sales' profits are yours. As well as painting and drawing, lots of our members are very creative in many areas (eg card making, bag making, clay-working, jewellery making, etc) and this is a great chance to exhibit and sell anything!
- Exhibit some of your art work in the Studio.
- Make and donate cakes and/or slices for sale with coffee and tea
- Help operate the sausage sizzle
- Set up an easel and paint, in the park, on the day

You will have recently received a copy of the flyer below . Some copies will be available at the studio. If you are able to put one on your local community notice board, that would be great.

Derek Johnston is generously providing the “play with clay for kids” activities - it's sure to be a hit with young visitors!



## Studio News

### MURAL UPDATE

The Mural is scheduled for painting and completion during the September school holidays. It will be ready for unveiling, by Lord Mayor Graham Quirk, on 22nd October. A HUGE "thank you", Kim Woolley!!

### STUDIO LIGHTING

The tracks and electrical wiring have been installed. There is a slight wait on the smaller spotlights (for the model), and modifications to be made to the reflective spotlights. However, the new lighting system is expected to be fully functional prior to 22nd October.

### PAINTING OF STUDIO SPACE AND SITTING ROOM WALLS

The committee is currently obtaining quotes for painting the walls of the main studio and the sitting room. It is intended to have these areas painted prior to 22nd October. Not only will new paint freshen the "look" of these areas, it will also enhance the use of the new professional lighting system, during both workshops and exhibitions (such as that being conducted on 22nd Oct!).

### HANGING SYSTEM FOR EXHIBITIONS

The committee is also investigating various types of professional hanging systems for the purposes of easily exhibiting members' work. Unfortunately there isn't enough time for a system to be installed before the opening day. Temporary (and stable) hangers will be used on 22nd Oct.

## Studio Cleaning Roster -SPRING

<b>MONDAY GROUP</b>	Toilets & Bins
<b>TUESDAY GROUP</b>	Kitchen
<b>THURSDAY GROUP</b>	Front Room & Carpeted Floors
<b>FRIDAY GROUP</b>	Main Studio



## Plein Air for remainder of Year

### HDG PLEIN AIR VENUES FOR 2016

ALL WELCOME! Plein Air workshops are conducted on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Participants generally meet on-site at around 8.30 am in Summer and 9.00 am in Winter.

**In the event of RAIN:** meet at the Oxley Creek Common, Sherwood

**How to get there:** If approaching from the east (Ipswich Rd side), go past Rocklea Markets and turn left before the bridge over Oxley Creek.

If approaching from the west (Sherwood side), turn right about 100m after the bridge over Oxley Creek. Meet in the covered "Red Shed" - toilet, water & BBQ facilities are all available as is plenty of parking.

The remainder of the 2016 schedule is included below:

- **21st September** Newfarm Park, Rotunda
- **5th and 19th October** Yeronga Park, Monument on top of hill
- **November** –to be advised...

Artist: Sof Georgiou



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## Convenors' Thank you Lunch

The annual Thank you Lunch for convenors and special helpers was held at the studio on 27th July. This year, instead of having the function catered, the committee members all pitched in and provided a delicious feast of various foods for both mains and desserts. The meal was a resounding success. President Anna was unable to be present and secretary Wendy Stevens gave a speech in her absence, thanking all in attendance for their valuable contributions to the group and, conveying to them much appreciation for their ongoing support.



Mains - tempting!



Desserts & Thank you Speech



## Member News

Since the last newsletter, several HDGA members have been or will be involved in projects/exhibitions.

### GLENISE CLELLAND

Glenise has had her oil painting "Lilypad Dreams" selected for exhibition in the RQAS Figurative Exhibition. The painting is 150 x 100 cm on stretched canvas and can be viewed at the Exhibition between 7th Sept and 25th Sept, at the Petrie Terrace Gallery.



## More Member News

### DEREK JOHNSTON

Derek recently **painted a B.C.C Signal Box** at Tarragindi. Derek's interesting experience, and the process involved in the project, are described in his own words:

"The opportunity to acquire the box BVAC. The process involved and reflecting the history and or the signal box was in Tarragindi and the who worked in the district for a a homestead and when he asked he said " call it after me". The Name of the box represent the environs of experience as the public takes an suggestions. The work ends up in an



was through the efforts of Peter Ryson president of researching the area in which the box was located flora and fauna or both as in this instance. The name derives from a blackbirded Loyalty Islander landowner who was clearing bushland and building Tarra Gindi Tasserone what he should call the area apparently means 'camp on the hill'. The other sides Toohey forest which is nearby. It was an interesting interest and engage in conversation with helpful online gallery called Urban Projects."



### TOM MASON

Tom is conducting his own exhibition Sept to Oct at Glen Rock Gallery, Esk. The Flyer says it all!

Bought to you by  
Somerset Art Society Inc. 

*Enjoying the Journey*  
**"An Aussie in France"**  
**PAINTINGS BY TOM MASON**  
**OFFICIAL OPENING 2PM SATURDAY, 1ST OCTOBER**



**30TH SEPTEMBER UNTIL 26TH OCTOBER**

**GLEN ROCK GALLERY**

**ESK VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE**

**82 IPSWICH ST, ESK, QLD.**

**(JUST AS YOU ENTER ESK ON THE LEFT)**

**OPEN 9 - 5 WEEK DAYS**  
**9AM-2PM SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

**ALL WELCOME**



## Member News cont.

Five members have decided to use the cancelled November folio show booking at the Richard Randall as an opportunity to exhibit paintings that are larger in dimension than the maximum size permitted for the Annual Exhibition:

### MARGARET COLLIER, WENDY ALLEN, ROGER BOYD, SANDI ABERNATHY & DELL HARRINGTON



Artist: Dell Harrington



Artist: Margaret Collier



Artist: Sandi Abernathy



Artist: Wendy Allen



Artist: Roger Boyd

## Reminder & Change re Tuesday Evening Workshops

- **6.45 pm to 8.45 pm with no long break.**
- **Alternate weeks** of Portrait from Life and Life drawing from nude model. **CHANGE:** One portrait session each month will not have a formal model. Please see website for full details.
- For more information, contact Kerrie Ventnor (Convenor) 0439 713 671 or Linda McNally on 0431 684 014
- Details also available at [www.hdg-artists.com](http://www.hdg-artists.com).
- **Please pass this information along to anyone who may be interested.**

## Other News

### NEW WORKSHOPS FOR HDGA



There's a real sense of satisfaction, as workshop participants admire the results of their creativity. Derek Johnson has coached them through the basics of a pinch pot, and using two different types of clay, the results are very impressive.

The attentive participants are part of a community group called Brook RED, which works with people recovering from mental health issues. They have been working with HDG artists at facilitated workshops at the studio over the past few months.

So far, there have had two portrait workshops, facilitated by Anna Reynolds, and one clay. (The second clay workshop will be held after the newsletter goes to print.) There is talk that some of the work will be used in Brook RED's upcoming exhibition.

"The feedback so far has been really good," Anna said. "And the participants have enjoyed being involved in pushing their creativity, and seeing how good the results look."

"The arrangement is a win/win for the HDGA. We earn a bit of money charging for the workshops, and get the satisfaction of spreading the value of the creative process."



## Gallery/Informal events

### MONDAY WORKSHOP – MORNING TEA FUN!

**Celebrating a special birthday with Bev on 5th September**



## Gallery /informal events cont.

### WORKS in PROGRESS—MONDAY MORNING WORKSHOP 5th September



## HDGA Website, Facebook & Newsletter

Your photos and news items needed please!

- Email or text photos of your **finished work** to Chris Matanovic. As **Life** workshops form a large part of the Group's workshops, it would be great to receive **more photos of your work in this area**.
- Consider **adding your profile to the website**. For details on how to do this visit [www.hdg-artists.com](http://www.hdg-artists.com) (gallery/artists profiles)
- If you already have a **profile** and want to **update** it, please email the details (including any photos, if applicable) to Chris Matanovic.
- Give your social /art associates the web address and also invite them to **Like the HDG Facebook page**
- If you are participating in an exhibition or have any **art news about yourself that you wish to share**, please send details to Chris Matanovic.

Thank you to those who have already sent information and photos—please keep it coming!



## Committee News

### REMINDERS

1. If members have any queries or concerns about **workshops**, please contact Linda McNally:  
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### NOTE RE COPYRIGHT

Your art group communicates in several ways, including this newsletter, Facebook and the website. You will note that we need photos of members and their work, for promotional purposes, and also to let members know what is happening in the workshops and events that they can't attend. If you **do not wish** to have your photo or photos of your work used for these purposes, please contact Anna Reynolds, President, HDGA.