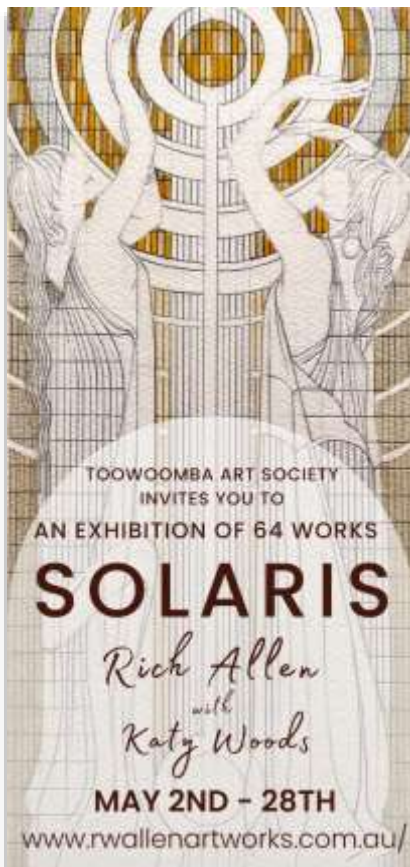


TAS NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023

Upcoming May Exhibitions



From Amanda, President

Congratulations to all the members who are currently exhibiting in the 45 x 45 exhibition in the Culliford Gallery. The exhibition is vibrant, colourful, and a wonderful example of the diverse talent we have within the Society.

On behalf of the Board and TAS membership, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Eddie Gunn who has recently resigned from the Facilities Committee and as our resident handyman. Eddie has worked quietly behind the scenes keeping TAS well maintained as well making much needed improvements. We are pleased he has chosen to stay on the 'hanging team' to ensure our monthly exhibitions go up without a hitch.

On the 21 April I represented TAS at the Toowoomba Region Creative Industries Summit at the Empire Theatre. This event brought together numerous creative practitioners, entrepreneurs, and industry organisations, who presented the connection between art, culture, technology, and entrepreneurship, and how we can collaborate to improve the liveability of our region. Regional Coordinator Art Galleries and Cultural Services Sue Lostroh presented the Draft Cultural Strategy document that outlines the future of local governments' commitment to arts and culture moving forward. There has been extensive community consultation around this document, and I congratulate all those involved for putting together a strategy that will take the Toowoomba region into the future.

The planning for Carnival of Flowers month is well under way with two life drawing events, a two-day acrylic workshop, and stall holders locked in for the art market. I have approached the group leaders and asked them to consult with their group members regarding running demonstrations and/or mini workshops during their regular meeting times. There are still options for running more workshops, demonstrations, lectures etc and I am opening this up to the membership for consideration.

With the 2023 AGM fast approaching, I would like to thank the current Board for their efforts during the last 12 months. I personally have had a fantastic year because of the support I have received from the Board and members of TAS. There have been some significant improvements made to our facility and our membership has grown significantly. It is wonderful to see the number of membership groups, community groups, and tutors who keep the building buzzing with activity. All members are welcome to attend the AGM. Please come along on Monday 8th May at 4pm for a 4.30pm start. RSVP 1/05/23 to twba1godsall@gmail.com.

Warm regards
Amanda

LOCKYER VALLEY FOOTHILLS ART SHOW

Entries close 2 May 2023. Please see notice board for information and entry forms. Or email foothillsartshow@gmail.com if you would like them emailed to you.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

This month we are delighted to extend a warm welcome to new members:

Tracey Stephens and Richard van Luyn.

We hope you enjoy your experience at TAS and that you make full use of our many facilities and friendly atmosphere. Keep up to date with our Newsletters, web page - toowoombaartsociety.com.au - Facebook page - TAS - Toowoomba Art Society - as well as the noticeboard & printed materials in the corridor.

N.B. It is extremely important that if you pay for membership online using direct deposit, please forward the following to twba1godsall@gmail.com

1. Confirmation of payment / bank transfer that you receive from the bank
AND
2. Contact details: your address / email / phone number/ Subject: Membership

If you do not receive a receipt or membership card in the mail within 2 weeks, it is likely your payment could not be identified and/or because you did not provide your contact details.

TAS Award Winning Artists

Congratulations are in order for many of our members who entered, won prizes and sold artworks in the recent Toowoomba Royal Show & Toowoomba Grammar Art Show as well as local and regional art galleries and competitions.

Special mention must go to long-time TAS member **Maree Cameron** who received a 2nd at the Bell Art Show, 4 firsts and one second at Jandowae where she amassed the most points and was awarded a Gold Sash, as well as being awarded Champion Drawing of Show for which she received a sash and a trophy. At the Toowoomba Royal Show Maree was awarded a first in Drawing and third in the Still Life. (Maree added that she was notified that she is the longest financial member of Flying Arts Qld. Some 45 years! Well done Maree!)

Another prolific award-winning TAS member is **Bruce Griffiths**, our Friday morning watercolour tutor. At the Toowoomba Royal Show this year, Bruce did exceptionally well. For the 2nd year in a row, he won Champion Artwork of the Show with his watercolour "Reflections". He also received First in the Open Painting Section for "Country Magic" and a third placing in another section. Well done Bruce!



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Members are invited to submit news items and images which may be of interest to TAS members & local art organisations & communities who follow us via our Newsletters & Facebook.

Please email with attachments - text in a Word document, photos as JPEG images to leeperinet@gmail.com

Items for the May Newsletter are due by 22nd May 2023

A large happy crowd attended the opening of the Annual Members' Autumn exhibition 45 X 45 on Saturday 1st April. Just over 60 artists submitted their 45 X 45cm canvases and many of them have been sold. The exhibition finishes at 2pm this Sunday 30th April.



Your current Board of Directors

President: Amanda Digweed

Secretary: Kurt Timmins

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Kurt Timmins: Treasurer

Ian Hay: Assistant Treasurer

Lee Perinet: Newsletter Editor & Facebook Administrator

Gilly Carroll

Catriona Fitzgerald

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Donations: Robyn Croad

For Your Information

Copies of the minutes of the latest monthly meetings of the TAS Board are on the TAS noticeboard and older copies are kept in the library for your perusal.

They may not be copied or removed from TAS.

Hard copies of past newsletters are kept in display folders in Studio 1 and are also available on TAS webpage

www.toowoombaartsociety.com.au

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you **normally** pay your TAS Membership dues by 28th February, and have not yet done so, please make the payment as soon as possible.

You can do so **online** by direct deposit to:

Toowoomba Art Society Ltd

BSB: 638060

Account No: 13549774

or with Paypal

at <https://toowoombaartsociety.com.au/product/annual-membership/>, by **mail** using a cheque or **in person** at TAS using cash, cheque or Eftpos.

Invoices will be sent shortly to those whose memberships are due.



Direct Deposit payments can be made to TAS for membership subscriptions and renewals, bus trips, workshops, art purchases etc.

NB. It is important to include your name and for what the payment is being made, e.g. membership renewal &/or bus trip, to ensure the payment is credited to you.

Please forward a copy of your transaction record to twba1godsall@gmail.com / Subject: Membership

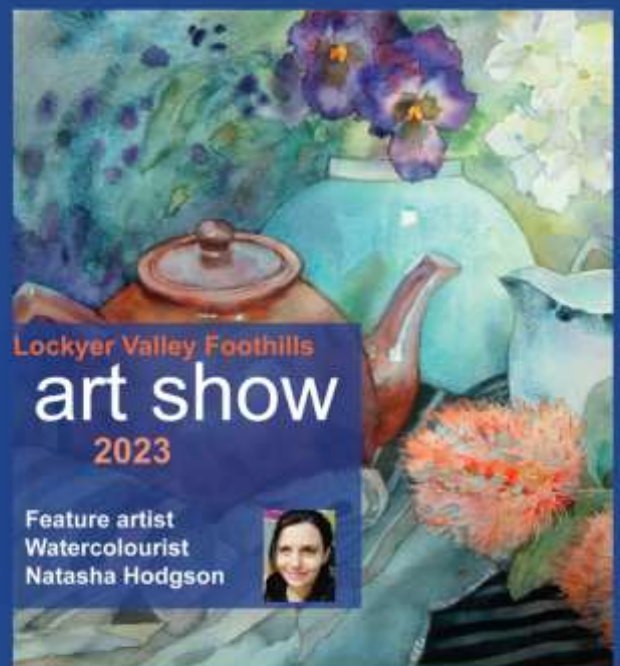
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Lockyer Valley Foothills
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Feature artist
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OPENING NIGHT 6PM FRIDAY 26TH MAY 2023
ART SHOW 10am-3PM SATURDAY 27TH MAY
ART SHOW & MARKETS 8AM - 12PM SUNDAY 28TH
Postmans Ridge Hall, 100 Murphys Creek Rd, Postmans Ridge