

Artist of the month for November is shared by Pam LeCouteur and Alison Merrin



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People are reminded that Phyllis Austin entries are now open, so you need to get busy on your project. Entries close on 30 November and items to be left at Gallery by 3 December. Official opening and presentation is on at 5.30pm 7th December followed by our Christmas Party. Please bring a plate. Past winners have been invited to display an item which will not be included in the judging.

December Artist of Month is our Christmas Exhibition, set up date 29 November

Our large glass cabinet has been set up in the foyer with a very nice display. Thanks go to Alan Bishop and Robert Castle for assembling this large item.

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- We are still looking for a Coordinator for the 2019 Exhibition. We still need a steward for photography. There will not be a photography section if one is not found. We are still waiting for final approval to hold festival at High School.

Allan King - Acting President

SPECIAL NOTICE

ANNUAL EXHIBITION NEEDS TO BE DISCUSSED

All those who are interested in having our Annual Exhibition in 2019 and/or be involved should attend the next General Meeting.

A final decision will be made on this day.

The meeting date is 14 December 2019.

Exhibitor Representatives' Report

The 2019 8 x 8 Small Works Exhibition entries will be on sale from 7th December (when Penny and Suz are both back in the country). The theme is THE JOURNEY. How artists interpret the theme is totally up to them, whether it is a real or imagined journey, one that has been taken or one still to come. As always all works will be completed on the canvases supplied with the \$10 entry fee- the only stipulation is that it stays within the boundaries of the canvas frame.

We have had postcards printed and ask that anyone who is visiting other galleries take some to put on display. We have had entries from NSW, QLD, ACT and Victoria in years gone by. These will also be available from 7th December.

Gallery Co-ordinator Report

Alison Merrin and Pam LeCouteur have an interesting display of their various artworks for Artist of the Month. Sales have been good and we wish them well for the month.

Members, don't forget your items for the Christmas Display which will be set up on Thursday 29th November, your work needs to be at the Gallery before this date.

If you come across something that you can't find a home for, please don't just put it in the back storeroom off of the Members room, this is used for our display items. I often find things blocking the entrance, this is dangerous.

A large glass display cabinet has been purchased and will be set up with a display of mixed items from around the Gallery. Please remember to clean the glass on the cabinets when on duty, we are still battling with the insects and dust from the road works, which are very close to us now. Please dust and mop when on duty, this helps keep our Gallery looking it's best.

Artist of the Month vacancies

Artist of the Month gives an exhibiting member the opportunity to showcase their work in the prime position in the gallery for a month.

For 2019, there are 4 months still available - March, May, July and August. If you are keen to book a month and you were not AOTM in 2018, complete an application form and submit it to one of the Gallery Co-ordinators or leave it in their box in the Gallery office.

All successful applicants will be notified in mid December

Safety in the gallery

Just a reminder that we all need to be careful when undertaking duties at the gallery, particularly when using ladders. For your own safety, please do not climb a ladder without having a person holding it securely for you. If you don't feel confident getting up a ladder ask someone else to do it.



Clarence Valley Cultural Committee

There is a vacancy on the Clarence Valley Cultural Committee, they meet once a month at Brushgrove. If you would like to fill this position please contact one of the LCACA Committee for further information.

Volunteers needed to work in the Gallery

We are extremely short of people to work in the Gallery. If you can spare one day a month and would like to help out please contact one of the committee for more information. As a member you can work at the Gallery without having to display.



Please note
When on Gallery duty **ALL** workers **MUST** check the 3 doors are locked, cabinet lights are turned off, all air-cons are off and set alarm before leaving the building

Art report

We discussed with Vice President Ainslie the time to dismount the Matisse display in the Community Space and Ainslie suggested we leave the colourful display on show until she begins to display entries in the Phyllis Austin Award. The group are now working on their own artworks and hope we have entries for the Phyllis Austin. We will close our art days at the showground on Tuesday 11th December and resume February 12th with a New Year get together luncheon. The Old Tea room is uncomfortably hot in the summer.

June Alexander

Maclean Patchwork & Quilters Report

Our in-house workshop for this month was conducted by Wilga Bolton who demonstrated several techniques, including fast flying geese, quilt as you go flying geese, miniature snail's trail and miniature french braid. We are indeed fortunate to have such talented members in our group who are willing to share their expertise with us each month. The raffle quilt for next year's exhibition has been decided and is underway, some fabric purchased and preliminary work commenced. We will hold a friendship day on 20th November, when members from Tucabia, Lawrence and Yamba quilting groups will be welcomed for a day of friendship, fun, food and sharing of ideas

Linda Hollis. President

Embroidery Report

This month I have asked Virginia Bieneman to give a report on "Beating Around the Bush", which she attended recently in Adelaide.

Beating Around the Bush 1918

This is a bi-annual internationally renowned needlework convention held in Adelaide, South Australia. This was their 10th anniversary. Some of the world's best tutors, including our own from Australia, come to teach beautiful projects. Students also come from all over the World to stitch and enjoy the camaraderie of like-minded people who love needlework.

Three of us were lucky enough to be able to attend this year. Nicole Don, Lesley Pickering and myself. We took classes and enjoyed the fun and inspiration of seeing beautiful needlework and hearing from great tutors. We were also able to visit the South Australian Embroiderers Guild's bi-annual exhibition, which was excellent.

The convention was very well organised, held at a big college, empty because of school holidays. We stayed off-campus at Glenelg. School buses picked us up and delivered us home, exhausted after each day, ready for dinner, a glass of wine and bed!

We would recommend the experience to anyone who loves their needlework. It was a very memorable trip!

My thanks to Virginia for her report and the information she brought back to our group.

Pam LeCouteur

By now members would have received renewal forms for membership and could they read carefully the conditions before signing.



25th Anniversary

On 5 February 2019 Ferry Park Gallery will celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the official opening. We hope to mark this occasion in some way, so watch out for further information

Phyllis Austin Perpetual Memorial Trophy 2018

A reminder that entry forms are now available. The entry form must be returned before 30 November and your work submitted before 3 December. The official opening and presentation to the winner will take place on 7 December at 5.30 pm.

This year previous winners will be invited to display a piece of their work as part of the exhibition, however, these works will not be included in the judging.

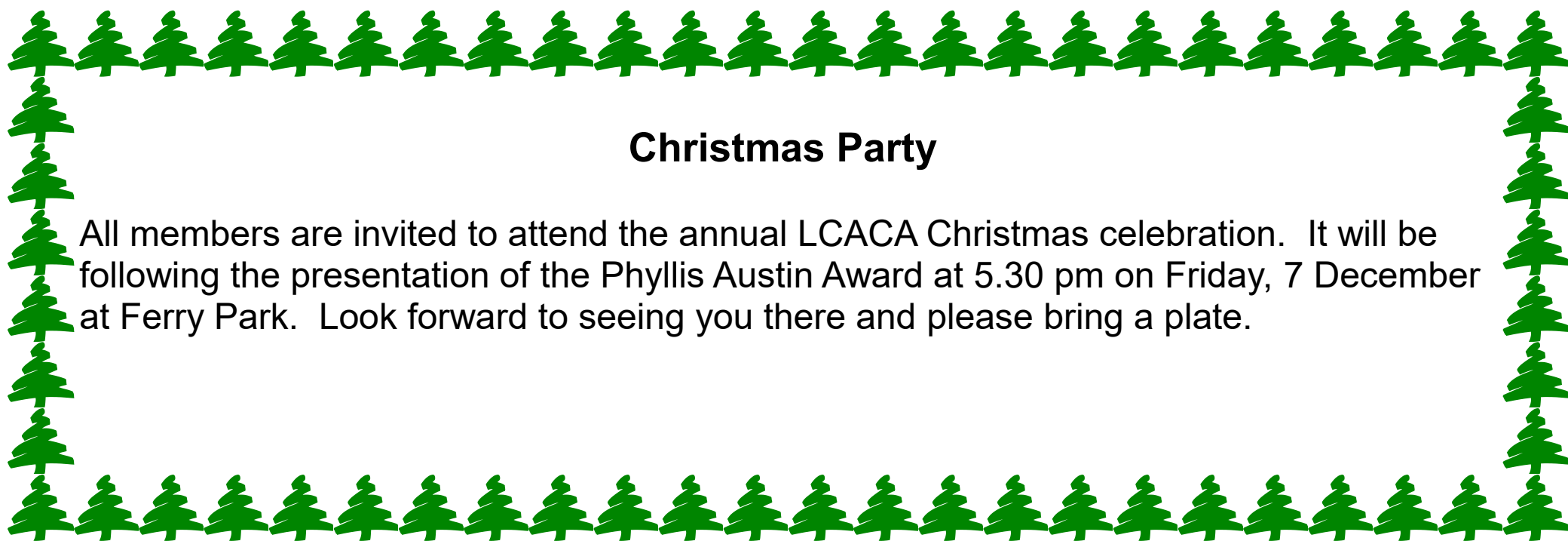
Positions Vacant

Festival Coordinator

We are looking for a new coordinator for the 2019 festival. If you are interested please contact a member of the Committee for information.

Events Coordinator

This is a new position we would like to trial for 3 months or so. It will be responsible for putting together a calendar of events and outings for members of LCACA and the public. Now that we have the additional space at the gallery we can make use of it by providing displays and demonstrations of member's skills and talents, inviting other artists and crafters to come and demonstrate or give talks. Advertising of these activities will encourage people to come to the gallery. This role would also organise outings for members to visit exhibitions and other events in the north coast region. If you are interested please contact a member of the Committee for information.



Christmas Party

All members are invited to attend the annual LCACA Christmas celebration. It will be following the presentation of the Phyllis Austin Award at 5.30 pm on Friday, 7 December at Ferry Park. Look forward to seeing you there and please bring a plate.

Junior Art Space



Junior Art Space continues to support up-and-coming young artists by showcasing their creative endeavours in 10 -12 weeks rotating displays. This initiative provides opportunities for students to develop their artistic talents, improve presentation skills and gain valuable experience from exhibiting in a successful and reputable gallery. Positive comments and regular sales demonstrate its success.

Members on duty at the gallery are asked to ring/text Bev (0400030515) when a sale occurs and assist in the promotion of this project by encouraging potential participants to email Bev for details: brscof@iinet.net.au

MacMarkets

Once again we will have a stall at MacMarkets, we will be selling the 8 x 8 canvases and promoting LCACA. We have some spare space and invite people who wish to take advantage of this space to sell their work.

A small charge will apply but no commission is taken.

As space is limited it is first in best dressed.

General Meeting

Meeting time: Second Friday of each month starting at 9:30, all members are encouraged to attend