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# NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting - Wednesday 6th March @ 7.00 pm at the TUI Room, Greenmeadows Community Centre, corner Songer St & Main Rd Stoke



# **GUEST SPEAKER**

Our guest speaker for this meeting will be Nicole Russell. She started her painting career by taking a small watercolour class at a community college in 2009. It didn't take long for her unexpected passion to grow incredibly fast.

In 2017 Nicole was able to start a professional career as an artist. She was told it would take about five years to be established, so true! Today, Nicole teaches watercolour and oil painting lessons, is passionate about plein air painting and exhibits in two galleries.

Nicole will talk about being an authentic artist, what it takes to sell your art successfully, and the challenges and possibilities of being a professional artist.



#### UPCOMING VACANCIES ON THE AGN COMMITTEE

#### TREASURER

As mentioned previously, Glenis Ambrose is standing down as Treasurer at the end of the financial year. We **URGENTLY** need to find someone **NOW**, so Glenis can 'show them the ropes' before she goes away for two months (June/ July).

This is a **'must have'** position that the group needs to continue functioning, so please give it due consideration if you think it's something you can help with.

#### PRESIDENT

Karen Loten has indicated that this will be her last term as President. Again, this is a **'must have'** position, and while not as urgent as finding a new Treasurer, it would be great to have a replacement **before** the AGM in June.

#### VICE PRESIDENT

As per our Constitution, we need to have a named Vice President. Robbie will be stepping down from the committee next June. In the meantime he is looking to relinquish his present duties, including membership officer, newsletter editor, name tags.

These are not 'must have' positions, and the newsletter and name tags could be done by a non-committee member if necessary.

#### **EXHIBITION CO-ORDINATOR**

Gilly Booth is stepping down as exhibition co-ordinator. This is an essential role if we want to continue with our exhibitions.

So, again, we are asking for new committee members to step forward, either at the AGM or sooner, and help with the continued organisation and running of this group.

Please contact a committee member if you can commit to any of the above. (Contact details at the top of the newsletter).

## **SHOW AND TELL**

Bring along your creations (max. 2 per person) and share with the group. It could be a finished piece, or a work in progress. You may wish to have your work critiqued, or simply show, and tell us a little about it.

## **WORKSHOPS**

## Watercolour Painting class (Beginners/Advanced)

When: Mondays, 26th Feb – 25th Mar 2024, 10-12:30pm (5 weeks) Where: Nicole Russell Art Studio, 300 Pomona Road, Ruby Bay, Mapua, 7173 Fee: \$150 (materials not included) For more information visit <u>https://www.nicolerussellart.com/</u> art-classes/

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## **EXHIBITIONS**



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