

Latest news from Arts Precinct



During lunch at Wellness Day, left; the school's Armistice Tin Can Band re-enactment at the 'Narooma Remembers' Exhibition.

Our School of Arts precinct has continued to host some wonderful activities over the last few months with several great workshops and exhibitions as well as lots of activity at the Kinema. The coming year will have many more.

At the Studios

The **Wellness Day** on 17 November was a great success, featuring yoga, meditation and healing sessions and a yummy healthy lunch. It attracted 20 very happy participants. Well done all organisers and session leaders.

- Also at the Studios in recent months:
 - A clay workshop with Marg Ingamells

- Rita Wagner's Acrylic Pour Workshop
- Dr Rae Luckie's third writing workshop for the year.

We've also had the regular days with the mahjong, meditation, Thursday Art and polymer clay groups, and Historical Society

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Proceed with new Arts Centre?

As a member of the School of Arts, you recently received an invitation from the SOA Management Committee to a **meeting on 2 December at the Golf Club** to discuss whether we should proceed with plans to build purpose-built studios / workshops and a bigger gallery.

These plans were drawn up several years ago by our architect in association with many local artists and others.

We would like to hear your thoughts.

Love to see you at
the School of Arts' 
Christmas Party

Please come and celebrate
a great SOA year with us

at **Friday Friendzy**

14 December 4 - 6pm

School of Arts' Studios

Partners and friends welcome.
Please bring a drink plus a plate to
share. Love you to also share your
party piece, if you have one.

So what is the School of Arts?

Narooma is in the extraordinary position of owning and managing its own land and buildings dedicated for the Arts (School of Arts Memorial Hall /Kinema, School of Arts' Studios and the SoART Gallery), valued at about \$2.5m. They're held in trust for the community by Narooma School of Arts & Soldiers' War Memorial Hall Inc. and managed by a voluntary committee. The School of Arts leases the Hall to John, Janette and Jade Griffiths to operate as twin cinemas and a venue for the performing arts.

It's vital our community keeps this organisation vibrant. Membership is open to everyone (voting rights limited to those living within 35km of Narooma PO). If you are not a member, please consider joining. Membership forms in the Studios, Kinema and on the webpage.



Painting by Bethany Thurtell

YOUNG HEARTS - HEROES

An exhibition of children's art from Narooma Primary School

Open daily 11am - 3pm | Thursday 22 to Tuesday 27 November 2018
SoART Gallery, Princes Highway, Narooma (Next door to Narooma Kinema)

Opening Celebration: 5pm, Friday 23 November 2018
Gold coin donation includes 5 stick-on stars to place beside your favorite works



This Exhibition is a SoART Gallery Fundraiser
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EXHIBITIONS at SoART Gallery

Our boutique gallery provides a wonderful intimate space for an individual or group of artists to exhibit their work for any period of time.

It is also the home of the annual River of Art Prize Exhibition.

All enquiries welcome. Please see our website for more information.
www.naroomaartscentre.com.au/soart-gallery-Narooma/

22-27 Nov: YOUNG HEARTS – HEROES by Narooma Primary School students

3-15 Jan: Exhibition by BETHANY THURTELL – 2018 River of Art Art Prize Award Winner

17-22 Jan: ROCKS, TREES, PLANTS AND THINGS – ANN ROGAN

meetings. The different groups will break over Christmas at different times.

At SoART Gallery

What a diverse range of exhibitions hosted at SoART Gallery in recent months, held almost back-to-back with more to come (see programme this page). These have ranged from Naomi Lewis' *Storyboards for Children's Illustrations*, Anne Rogan's *Nature* exhibition, and Narooma Historical Society's very successful *Narooma Remembers 1918-2018 – Brave Hearts and Smiling Faces* exhibition.

The Historical Society's exhibition highlighted the significance of the School of Arts Memorial Hall (Kinema) as Narooma's memorial to its First World War soldiers. The Society hopes to stage more exhibitions in the Gallery in the future.

Don't miss the week-long exhibition by Narooma Public School students of *Young Hearts – Heroes*, starting 22 November. Eighteen classes at the school have worked towards this themed ex-



Some of the team responsible for the Historical Society's recent 'Narooma Remembers' exhibition in SoART Gallery — Sylvia Gauslaa, seated; Sandra Haynes, left, Joy Macfarlane and Paula Williams.

hibition of Heroes .

Two more wonderful exhibitions are planned for January (see above).

Still room for an exhibition in the lead up to Christmas and the New Year, should anyone be interested, possibly even a group exhibition while the tourists are here...

School of Arts' Studios buzz

Some great special classes and workshops will feature at the Studios in 2019, as well as our regular sessions. Please ensure you check them out so you don't miss out.

The Studios are available for casual and regular bookings by groups and individuals for arts, cultural and educational activities. They are managed by a School of Arts sub-committee .

Enquiries: Please ring Suzanne (0431 486 617) or Joy (4476 8047) or email: studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

The Kinema

The School of Arts Management Committee is working towards installing a basic sound and lighting system in the Kinema in 2019. The Kinema has a few live shows planned.

Have a wonderful time with family and friends over the coming holiday season.

Hopefully we will see you at our Christmas party on 14 December.