

Membership fees are now due for 2020 from 1 January (forms available online or from Studios). Please also note the fee for annual membership has been increased to \$15. If you have joined since 1 October, your membership is good for 2020. Thank you to all those who have already paid.

**Our AGM is Tuesday 17 March at 4.30 pm in the Studios.
Hope to see you there.**

Look forward to a great 2020

While January has been a blur for many of us with bushfires and associated alerts, our School of Arts' Studios have provided a fun, safe and creative haven for our budding thespians from **Narooma Youth x Common Place Theatre**.

Apart from some hiccups in early January, Amy Spurgeon and her troupe have been workshopping and rehearsing this year's play. It's an adaptation of Shakespeare's 'Twelfth Night' called 'Thirteenth Night' or 'What You Will'. It's an extraordinary achievement considering it was written and rehearsed in about three weeks!

Performances are this Sunday 2 February at the Half Moon Yoga Studio (across from Mitre 10 in centre of Narooma) – matinee 2.30pm and evening 6.30pm. Tickets limited (see over). Any profits to a bushfire relief fund.

Also at the Studios...

Regular workshops return to normal this month (see programme over).

Margaret Moran's very popular drawing classes get underway on Friday 14 February and will run each Friday for five weeks.



Amy Spurgeon and her Narooma Youth Theatre troupe have been workshopping and rehearsing their play 'Thirteenth Night' in the Studios since late December (with a few interruptions!). Performances 2 Feb at Yoga Studio.

Two other special workshops are scheduled for March. The first 'special' is an **Acrylic Pour workshop** with **Rita Wagner** on Saturday 21 March. Details to come.

The second 'special' is a **Ukulele workshop** on Sunday 29 March, 11-3. Cost is \$15. Bookings through studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au.

If you have any ideas for workshops, either run by you or suggestions for others, please ring Suzanne to discuss (0431 486 617).

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At the opening of Peter Walker's exhibition 'Love without Borders' were Karen Mallett, Paula Williams, Ann Rogan and Margaret Moran. Peter added, 'red dots for Red Cross'.

School of Arts' Studios welcome you

Some new and exciting workshops are planned for 2020 as well as our regular sessions. See page 1. The Studios are available for casual and regular bookings by groups or individuals for arts, cultural and educational activities.

Please check the Studios' website, this newsletter or the School of Arts' Facebook page for further details.

More information and Studio bookings: please ring Suzanne (0431486617) or email: studios@naroomaschoolofarts.com.au

ALL School of Arts members are welcome to the fun **Friday Friendzy** (second Friday each month) for a little gardening and housekeeping plus drinks, nibbles and chat. The next Friday Friendzy will then be **Friday 14 February (4-6pm)**.

Regular Activities		
Weekly		
Tuesday	Playing with Polymer Clay	10-12.30
Wednesday	Meditation with Noi Snith resumes 5 Feb	9.45 -10.45am
Wednesday	Mah-jong	1-4pm
Thursday	Thursday Art Group	1-4pm
Monthly		
Thursday	Chinese Brush Painting	2 nd Thurs 1-4pm
Friday:	Friday Friendzy	2 nd Fri 4-6pm
Sunday	Narooma Historical Society	3 rd Sun 2pm

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SoART Gallery

Peter Walker's 'Love Without Borders' exhibition was a delightful reminder of normal life in Narooma (including the whimsical subject matter!), albeit minus the usual summer visitors. It was wonderful to see so many members turn out to support Peter on his opening night.

Entries are now being called for what promises to be a wonderful exhibition by **School of Arts' artists over Easter (9-19 April)**. You must be a financial member to enter. The cost is \$20 per entry form which covers a maximum of two entries per artist. Please contact Suzanne for more details. Entries close 20 March. Form attached.

More details about **Cat Wilson's exhibition** in April-May to come.

EXHIBITIONS at SoART Gallery

We encourage all artists to consider using the SoART Gallery for an exhibition. Reasonable rates with a highly visible location on the Highway next to the Kinema. Please phone Libby 0421 321 044 to discuss and make a booking. Also please check our website www.naroomaartscentre.com.au/soart-gallery-Narooma/

EASTER 7-19 April: 'Be Inspired' - the Collective Works of Narooma School of Arts' Studios.

23 April—3 May: Cat Wilson's 'Beldi and Rumi'

One of the exhibitions previously scheduled for mid January has now been tentatively rescheduled for early October (still to be confirmed).

The Busking Festival is on Saturday 30 May; so far no exhibition has been booked in for around then. Anyone interested?

Narooma Arts & Community Centre

Still waiting for clarification from Council as to where the DA is at. They are somewhat 'swamped' at the moment with the bushfire crisis. We are also waiting for news of funding possibilities post fires.

'Thirteenth Night' - local play

This has been workshopped and rehearsed in the School of Arts' Studios by Amy Spurgeon (Common Place Theatre) with Narooma Youth Theatre (see p.1). It's adapted by Amy from Shakespeare's classic tale of love, laughs and mistaken identity.



Twins are separated fleeing a bushfire in Sydney and end up on the South Coast where their lives become a little strange. Violet enrolls in Narooma High and plans a new life by disguising herself as a boy called Cedar. She falls for the school Vice President, a footy player called Rory who has a crush on the President, popular girl Olly, who falls for Cedar. Meanwhile Violet's brother Sebastian ends up at Carroll College and tries to find his twin. A whole cast of characters get in on the mischief until the school descends into chaos.

Tickets are limited, available through www.stickytickets.com.au/tooav. It's also a Facebook event www.facebook.com/