

February

From the BICAS Board



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The quiet period for the Board over Christmas and New Year gave everyone welcome time for friends and family. And now we return invigorated and excited to see what's on the horizon for 2020.

Our decision to extend the opening hours of the Arts Centre and Café 191 to now start at 9am has proven very popular. It's offered a new group of coffee, cake and chat folk access to Cafe 191 for their morning indulgence. Corey continues to delight with his fresh food and great hot beverages.

Members and visitors have been noticeably more comfortable this summer period with the recently installed air-conditioners working well. Comments from the staff, volunteers, members and visitors have all been most positive.

The Centre's gardens and surrounds continue to look stunning. Our thanks to those involved in creating and maintaining the garden environments for us all to use. We will be further developing the gardens and lawns around the Cafe 191 deck area and courtyard with the installation of automatic watering systems, connected to the bore on the precinct.

We welcome a new Working Together Group this year - the Slap 'n' Giggle gang. It's led by Diane Carter on

Thursday afternoons in Studio 2. They welcome any painting newbies who have been too shy or scared to date to pick up a brush. By the quality of their works in the current Masters & Apprentices exhibition in the Matthew Flinders Gallery, there are sure to be some wonderful creations come forth from them.



Formerly a group who met at the Bribie University of the Third Age, they compiled the colourful montage piece in the entry to the exhibition. They have pledged their proceeds from the sale of this work to give to bushfire appeal fund.

"Kaleidoscope" is an art piece produced collectively by the U3A group (and now BICAS WTG) Slap 'n' Giggle .

It is priced at \$450.

To the others returning art and craft groups, welcome back for the year. We wish you wonderful and inspiring gatherings.

Take advantage of the raft of amazing workshops scheduled at the Centre through the year to hone & upgrade your skills and expand your art horizons – and importantly , HAVE FUN!



Art Changeover February 11th



Are you Board material?

The Bribie Island Community Arts Society Annual General Meeting is on **Sunday May 17 at 11am** in the Centre Boardroom. All financial members are invited to attend.

A new Board of six members and a chairman will be elected at this meeting from nominations received by Sunday April 26. Nomination forms will be available at the Arts Centre and on the BICAS website shortly. In the meanwhile, consider what you might offer BICAS and what skills and insights you could bring to the running of our beautiful Centre.



MATTHEW FLINDERS GALLERY

BICAS Showcase February 4 - 23

Win this beautiful Amish quilt:



For the duration of the Showcase exhibition, we're selling raffle tickets at the Arts Centre in this lovely queen size Amish (ie hand- stitched) quilt, valued by experienced quilt judges at \$850. It comes with two cloth dolls in male and female Amish dress.

**Tickets \$2 each or three for \$5.
It will be drawn at 3pm on
February 23.**

The combined talents and creative energy of all the Working Together Groups will be on glorious show from February 4 – 23.

Paintings, pots, pottery and glass, prints, sketches, watercolours, quilts, textiles and wooden pieces and more will feature in this wonderful display.

It is curated this year for the first time by leadlight & glass artist Prim Rogers Walker.

Below: Paul Bruce, Nada Griffiths, Bev Power, Prim and Maureen Gough prepare their work for the exhibition.



Colourful, Bold & Beautiful

Graham Davies, Helen Macdonald & Colin Van Kruining

February 24 - March 8



A collaborative exhibition by three popular local artists will include fetching variety of their scope of works in glass, acrylic and oil. Graham Davies, Helen Macdonald and Colin Van Kruining form a trio of talent that always draw a crowd.

Graham has been working with glass for the past 32 years. Firstly receiving training in leadlighting and successfully working in that medium until 2018, while also tutoring, "Leadlighting and Glass Creations", at the Bribie Island Art Centre. Since 2010 Graham has been using the BICAS glass kiln and his interest now leans more towards molten glass, creating fused glass-art, sculptured glass and other free form glass objects in a kiln.

Colin started work as a painter & decorator over 40 years ago in Melbourne. It was where he discovered a further use for Dulux paints, which to this day, is still his preferred medium when capturing a new artwork!

In the past five years, he has collected numerous Champion and First Prize Awards at the Noosa, Caboolture, Redcliffe, and Pine Rivers annual shows and at the Redcliffe and Bribie Island Societies' Art Shows, also numerous People's Choice Awards at the Kilcoy Courthouse Art Gallery. He has also been awarded both first prize and highly commended prizes at the Pine Rivers Art Alliance and Bundaberg Art Festival in 2013, 2015 and 2017. He was 2018 Champion Local Artist at Redcliffe. Colin enjoys painting water and landscapes, native flora and fauna and has also captured intricate European holiday memories on canvas.

Helen loves to paint scenes of Bribie and other places she has visited. She enjoys using many mediums, the latest being coloured pencils, which is very different. She has been in many exhibitions, mainly at the Bribie Community Arts Centre and enjoys the challenge of being "hung on the wall".

GIFT SHOP GALLERY

Fresh new works in our Gift Shop Gallery to inspect and enjoy – thanks to our hard working Hanging Team. (pictured here having a well-earned tea break)



Stuck on what to get that someone special?

Gift Vouchers available at front desk

ASK ABOUT OUR GIFT VOUCHERS AVAILABLE HERE!



Some other new items to look for in the gift shop: gourd lamps, mosaics, painted glass, resin boards, pottery.



The Bribie U3A Masters & Apprentices delight to all

The 2020 Masters and Apprentices exhibition opened in style, with a large crowd on hand to cheer it on at the opening night.

Always pleasing to see style and skills shared among experienced artists and creative newbies. Fun and discovery know no bounds.



Artist of the Month February

Bribie Island artist and printmaker Neville Smith

Neville Smith is the Bribie Island Community Arts Centre Artist of the Month for February. Originally from Victoria and now living on Bribie, his particular passion is for painting landscapes by the sea.

The magical time for him is the dusk/twilight when the business of the day is over, he says. That's the mood he strives to capture in his works. "The mystery of the night is about to begin and there is a calm, serenity and peacefulness, that I love to capture," he says. "Lines and atmosphere are the basis of my art."

Neville studied at Box Hill TAFE and majored in printmaking at the Victorian College of the Arts in Melbourne. He has exhibited in Melbourne and Brisbane and now finds great fulfilment in exploring and painting the Bribie environment.



Meet Neville over morning tea at the Arts Centre, 191 Sunderland Drive, Banksia Beach on Friday February 14 at 10.30am.

Phone 3408 9288 for catering.

COOL CHANGE

Visitors and volunteers are now all browsing the Matthew Flinders Gallery and the Gift Shop at the Arts Centre in more comfortable summer conditions, thanks to a generous grant from Busy Fingers Bribie Island and a Federal Government Muster grant. Air-conditioning was installed in November with two grants totalling about \$34,000.

Volunteers who spend up to 7 hours a day on the front desk and other shifts in the venue are truly thankful. And artist exhibitors will look differently on the Gallery as we are now able to offer temperature-controlled conditions for their work.

The BICAS Board invited Federal MP for Longman, Terry Young and Sandra Tomy from

Busy Fingers to morning tea recently to thank them. In the hot and humid conditions of the day, the appreciation was deeply felt.



Pictured in the "cool" gallery were (from left) Terry Young, BICAS volunteer & desk staff supervisor Di Carr, Sandra Tomy, BICAS Board member Nada Griffiths, BICAS Board member, Sue Davy, Venue Manager Julie Thomson, BICAS Board member, Lynne Smith and BICAS chairman Bob Hamilton..



Bribie V i B E @
Arts & Craft Market
incorporating Café 191

Sunday 23rd February
7:30am til 12:00noon

Bribie Island Community Arts Centre
191 Sunderland Dr Banksia Beach



Coffee • Fudge • Preserves • Artworks • Cards • Toys • Gifts
Ceramics • Clothing • Quilts • Bags • Home Decor • Jewellery
Woodwork • Photography • Live entertainment • Kids activities

Live Music
Courtesy Tequila



+ Gallery open 7:30am til 4:00pm

 www.facebook.com/bribievibemarkets **V i B E @** www.bribieartscentre.com.au/vibe-markets

Bribie **V i B E**

Arts & Craft Market

incorporating Café 191

After a break in January, we will be back in full force for the February Vibe market on
Sunday February 23 at 8.30am.

The break enabled us to tend to the lawn and irrigation tasks needed on the Centre courtyard. By the February market, this work will see the area levelled and re turfed and pop-up sprinklers will be spraying from our on-site bore to keep the growth lush and green.

The many great stalls featuring lovely hand-made or hand-baked goods will be back for the next markets - and some newcomers, too.

One of the features of the market in February will be an Art stall, featuring works donated by BICAS artists, to raise funds to help people ravaged by bushfires this summer.

BICAS Board member Sue Davy, also a member of the Contemporary Art Practices Group, is assembling donated works from all the Working Together Groups and other members for this. The works will be sold on a "make an offer" basis on the day.

So there will be some great art bargains to be had that market day - and all for a wonderfully worthy cause. If you're an artist and have a work or two you'd like to include for this, get in touch with Sue on this email sued.davy@gmail.com

We can't fix what's been broken for many of the bushfire communities, but we can go that extra mile to show care and compassion.

BBQ Shelter update:

We are in the process of obtaining approval and help from the Council for a permanent covered area for the BBQ at Markets, which will also include dining area .

This application is being reviewed by several areas of the Council, and in the way of bureaucracy, processes may delay the outcome, but we are confident this outdoor dining /catering feature will come to pass as an enhancement for the Arts Centre Markets



Yum!



2020 has brought some changes to the Café menu.

Cory has introduced a refreshing Thai chicken salad, a couple of popular fish 'n' chip dishes (crumbed whiting & chips and beer battered flathead & chips) and a Cajun chicken burger.

He has also widened the vegetarian options with a veggie burger and a mouth-watering open sandwich of roast mushrooms, haloumi, spinach, eggplant and sundried tomato mayonnaise on toasted Turkish bread.

Come in soon and try one or more of these. You'll be delighted.

Musical Melodies on Sundays at Café 191

with pianist **Ed A'Bear**

Make that family birthday or special occasion lunch **ZING** with musical melodies on the piano.

Ed can play any of your favourites - and he will.
Name that Tune,
Musical world tour
Musical Bingo

January 19, February 2, February 16, March 8,
March 22, April 5, April 19.

11am - 1.30pm

Book your lunch party now on 3408 9288 or email cafe191bribiearts@outlook.com



Your coffee is helping to mend lives

Our hearts go out to the victims of the national bushfires who have lost their home, their livelihood, their animals and for many, their hope.

We are donating 50c to the National Bushfire Disaster Appeal for every cup of coffee, tea or hot beverage sold in our Café 191 in January and February.

So while you are enjoying your break, you are also supporting these fellow Australians in need.

Thank you for helping us to help them.

Let us make you **High Tea**

for your special occasion

Ribbon sandwiches
4 x cakes
Scones, jam & cream
Pot of tea or coffee

\$18 per head
Catering for numbers from 4 to 30.

Book on 3408 9288 or email cafe191bribiearts@outlook.com

INTUITIVE READINGS with LOUISE

HERE in Café 191



THURSDAY January 30
FRIDAYS February 7 and February 21
10am-noon

Do you need some guidance, doubt your own intuition and need confirmation that you're on the right track? Louise will share the gift of intuition in which she is growing and flourishing.

A qualified Access Bars Practitioner, Louise uses this to help tap into the energy all around us. She works with Oracle Cards and her innate intuitive abilities to encourage your natural intuition.

Louise has spent the last 12 months (and it's only the beginning) learning how to support her own path, through solo travel, meditation, learning what makes her ZING, workshops and seminars.

\$10 for a 20 minute reading

Make it Take it Workshops



JOIN
this
"MAKE IT TAKE IT"

**Aromatherapy Beaded Jewellery
Adult workshop**

with
Melissa Richards

Saturday February 1, 10am - 12pm: \$39 pp

Join this relaxing and beautiful, self-paced Aromatherapy jewellery tutored workshop for adults. All materials, equipment and instructions provided. Just bring yourself.



Choose from a selection of beads including crystal, marble, stone and lamp-work, then mix your own choice of eye-catching colours. We'll make two aromatherapy bracelets and one scented necklace. All will be ready to wear or give as a gift! They can be as subtle or as flamboyant as you wish. Then select from a choice of scents to add to your pieces before you leave.

This session is designed for adult beginners who have never tried beaded jewellery, but any skill level is welcome to learn this technique in a friendly and lovely location.

And everything you make, you take! (Or wear in this case!)

Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/aromatherapy-beaded-jewellery-adult-workshop-tickets-88082694711>

Email to book: makeittakeit@outlook.com.au



JOIN
this
"MAKE IT TAKE IT"

**Knot Work Nautical Charm
Mason Jar Light**

Adult Workshop
with
Melissa Richards

Saturday February 8, 10.30am-12pm \$35 pp

Learn to make an eye-catching Knot Work Nautical Charm Mason Jar Light using basic knot techniques.

You will be provided with all materials including charms and a flickering LED candle for your beautiful creation.

This session is designed for adult beginners who'd like to learn this technique in a friendly and peaceful location.

And everything you make, you take.



Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/knot-work-nautical-charm-mason-jar-light-adult-workshop-tickets-90291481251>

Email for tickets: makeittakeit@outlook.com.au



JOIN
this
"MAKE IT TAKE IT"

**Unique Technique Adult Earring
Workshop**

with
Melissa Richards

Saturday February 15, 10.30am-12pm \$38 pp

Join this unique and fun, self-paced earring workshop for adults.

All materials, equipment and instructions provided.

Learn to make **3 sets** of earrings using a different technique for each.

One will involve resin, one with crystal chips and one with beads. All will be ready to wear! They can be as subtle or as flamboyant as you wish to make them in many colour choices.



This session is designed for adult beginners who have never made earrings, but any skill level is welcome.

And everything you make, you take! Or wear in this case!

Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/3-unique-technique-adult-earring-workshop-tickets-90292969703>

Email for tickets: makeittakeit@outlook.com.au



JOIN
this
"MAKE IT TAKE IT"

**Stunning resin and semi-precious
gemstone jewellery workshop**

with
Melissa Richards

Saturday February 22, 10.30am-12pm \$35 pp

Join this tutored adult workshop making stunning resin and semi-precious gemstone jewellery.

All materials, equipment and instructions provided.

Choose from a selection of crystals, then mix your own choice of eye-catching resin colours. We'll make two pendants and one set of sparkling earrings. All will be ready to wear! They can be as subtle or as flamboyant as you wish.



This session is designed for adult beginners who have never used resin, but any skill level is welcome.

And everything you make, you take! Or wear in this case!

Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/semi-precious-floating-crystal-jewellery-adult-workshop-tickets-8085729789> Email for tickets: makeittakeit@outlook.com.au

Workshops



Learn

GELLI PLATE MONOPRINTING

with NOELA MILLS



**Saturday
March 21,
9am - 3.30pm**

Using the wonderfully versatile Gelli plate techniques, explore contact printing, found object relief printmaking and chin colle to create fabulous collaged prints. Enjoy the freedom of

drawing directly onto your printing plate, experiment with layers of textures created from found objects, create shapes with stencils and add details by printing from wire and stamped shapes.

Create several finished art works from prints collaged together using sound aspects of design and composition.

No previous printmaking experience required.

Cost: \$80 BICAS Members \$90 non Members

Noela's career as an artist and teacher spans 40 years. Has had solo and collaborative exhibitions, workshops and residencies in Australia, Japan and China. She has received awards & grants for many of these artistic pursuits and is represented in private and public collections worldwide.

Acrylic Pouring Workshop with Robin Jensen

Sunday April 5

10 - 3.30

Create abstract masterpieces by letting acrylic paint run amok. Discover the endless creative possibilities by combining acrylic paints and watching them spill across the surface.

Bring and transform your wooden trays, tissue boxes, wooden placemats, wooden coasters, clocks, tables etc

Cost \$75 includes floetrol, silicon and glitter.

For materials information and bookings, call Robin on 0421 043 924 or email robin@aapt.ent.au



NEW YEAR! NEW YOU!



ART THERAPY GROUP

Ever wondered what is hidden beneath the surface of your thoughts?
Give yourself the gift of time and enter a journey of discovery through simple creative exercises.
NO ARTISTIC ABILITY NEEDED!

- * EXPRESS YOUR UNKNOWN SELF
- * EXPLORE FEELINGS
- * RELAX
- * HAVE FUN CREATING!

Your Art Therapist Cathy Rodwell is the owner of Mindlink Hypnotherapy & Counselling, established in Bribie for 9 years. Cathy is passionate about helping people awaken to new insights and welcome positive growth and change into their lives.

Bribie Island Community Arts Centre

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16

9 AM-10.30 AM

\$ 30 PP INCLUDES ALL MATERIALS
NUMBERS LIMITED BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Phone Cathy **0432 924 966**

Email: cathyswell@gmail.com

web: www.cathyrodwell.com



Learn great new painting techniques with

Creative Acrylics

in a wonderful workshop with popular tutor

Jenni Kelly

**Saturday April 4,
9am - 3.30pm**



This acrylic workshop will introduce students to an unconventional free style of painting. Starting with the abstract background, Jenni will guide students to create a contemporary painting on the day.

\$75 BICAS members, \$85 non Members
Book on 3408 9288

AROUND THE CENTRE



The fun never stops here. We're delighted to welcome back in 2020 old friends and art supporters and plenty of new ones, too.

Keith Barclay(left) honoured for long and faithful service to Leadlighters and BICAS



Long-time leadlight member and teacher and strong Arts Centre

supporter, Keith Barclay was honoured with a morning tea and acknowledgement of all his 15 years plus of service here.

About 50 BICAS friends gathered over a cuppa and delicious treats to hear tributes from his fellow BICAS Leadlight group members to Keith's kindness, skills, work ethic, loyalty – and impish sense of humour.

BICAS presented him with a certificate and the leadlight group gave him a dining and a driving voucher for Serenity at Waterways. Thank you Keith for all you do.



Bribie History back in the Gallery

The Bribie Island History Group president, Barry Clarke, relocated and repacked the history cupboard in the Matthew Flinders Gallery. Visitors can again view some fascinating pics and objects from the island's past. Look for it towards the door leading into the kitchen hallway.



Volunteer of the Month

JANE FITZGERALD Front desk supervisor



Why do you volunteer at the Arts Centre?

I love the concept of the Bribie Island Arts Centre and with my working background in arts and crafts retail stores, customer service and administration, I feel I'm in my element.

What do you do at the Arts Centre?

I work at the front desk in the gift shop gallery.

What do I like best about volunteering at the Arts Centre?

I am enjoying meeting and working with the other volunteers and becoming part

of the group that keeps the centre functioning.

I enjoy greeting the visitors as they come in, letting them know about the exhibitions, café, studios and other functions of the centre.

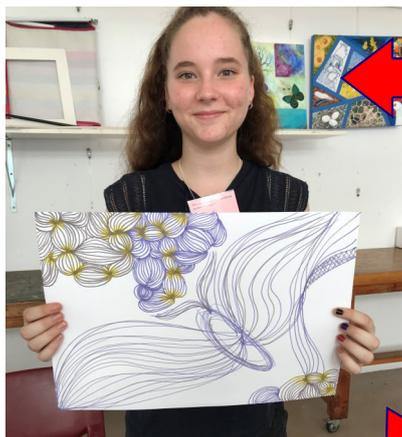
Why would I recommend others to volunteer at the Arts Centre?

The Arts Centre is a true asset for Bribie Island. It is a great way to meet other like-minded people and to be part of the team that keeps it functioning so well.

Do I practise any art myself?

I have done leadlighting for many years and would now like to try my hand at fused glass.

AROUND THE CENTRE



Photos from Cathy Rodwell's recent Art Therapy Workshops.
Cathy will repeat the workshop on February 16



Maturing
is realizing
how many things
don't require
your comment.

~Rachel Welchin

DID YOU KNOW?

WATER



07 DEC 2019 – 26 APR 2020

GOMA | GALLERY 1.1 THE FAIRFAX GALLERY, GALLERY 1.2,
GALLERY 1.3 ERIC & MARION TAYLOR GALLERY | TICKETED

Walk across a vast, rocky riverbed created by Olafur Eliasson. See animals from around the world gather together to drink from Cai Guo-Qiang's brilliant blue waterhole. Gaze at Peter Fischli and David Weiss's snowman frozen in Brisbane's summer heat. Traverse a cloud of suspended gymnastic rings in a participatory artwork by William Forsythe. View the tidal currents rise and fall around Angela Tiatia. Reflect on the cultural traditions of bodies of water with Judy Watson, and on the long history of our reliance on water through Megan Cope's re-created midden. 'Water' invites you to do all this and much more.

'Water' opens this summer at GOMA, exploring the vital element which sustains all life on Earth. From major immersive experiences to smaller-scale treasures by Australian and international artists, the exhibition will highlight this precious resource and spark conversations about the environmental and social challenges we face today.

Purchase tickets in advance [online](#) or at the exhibition ticket desk until 4.00pm during the exhibition period.



**Surely a
must
see for
island
dwellers**

Dates to Remember February



February 1: Make It Take It workshop aromatherapy beaded jewellery 10am – 12.

February 4: BICAS WTG Showcase exhibition opens Matthew Flinders Gallery

February 8: Make It Take It workshop earrings 10.30am – 12.

February 15: Make It Take It workshop Mason Jars 10.30am - 12

February 16: Art Therapy Workshop with Cathy Rodwell 9am – 10.30

February 22: Make It Take It workshop resin jewellery 10.30am- 12

February 23: Vibe Markets 7.30am - 12

February 25: Colourful Bold and Beautiful exhibition opens Matthew Flinders Gallery

5 Things I Love About Bribie

SUE DAVY Board Member,
CAP group member

- **The size of the community suits me...not too small, not too big, but big enough to have all the facilities I enjoy, yet be able to maintain a sense of privacy when I want to.**
- **The amazing creativity that the community encourages and fosters. Every organisation or group I've had contact with is made up of clever, experienced people who relish in trying new things and experimenting to make the best of the group.**
- **People's kindness and welcoming attitude, (well the ones I mix with are).**
- **Not far from the airport, Sunshine Coast, and pals in Brisbane.**

