



# Ku-ring-gai Art Society

PO Box 229 TURRAMURRA 2074

## Next **General Meeting**

**Tuesday, 5 September 2023 at 7:30pm**  
Masonic Hall, Turramurra  
Cnr Pacific Hwy & Turramurra Ave

## Next **Committee Meeting**

**Monday, 28 August 2023 at 7:30pm**  
Via Zoom

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## GUEST SPEAKER AT OUR LAST GENERAL MEETING

### Ros Gervay – Social Media and Art

Ros Gervay is a modern botanical artist based in Lane Cove who is also a mentor to aspiring artists. Her artistic journey began with a Bachelor of Design from COFA at Uni of NSW and early work experience in commercial interior design. Feeling that she wanted to give back to the community, Ros studied and worked as a Primary School teacher before dedicating herself to full time art practice and mentoring other artists. Her online presence includes the podcast Paint Rest Repeat, a free community Facebook group Permission to Paint and a fortnightly online painting group Art for the Heart.



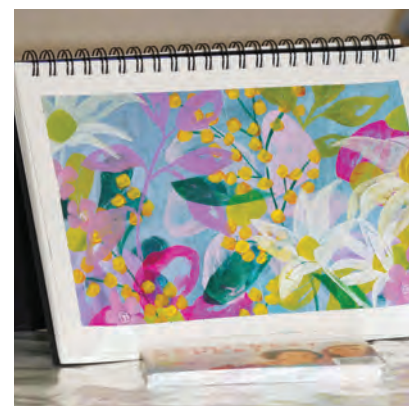
Ros uses Instagram as her main social media platform to reach new art buyers and gave us some major pointers to being an effective Instagram user:

- Commit to regular posting, once or twice a week and stick to it.
- Build a community who are interested in following you and engage with your followers by inviting them to direct message you. Connect with people by having a conversation with them.
- Consider changing your Instagram account to Business, which is still free, and add products so that they are clickable.
- Your account name should reflect who you are, for example Sally Smith Art.
- Your profile picture is very important as people want to follow you and shows that you are an actual person.
- Get your profile name right, for example Watercolour landscape artist, Sydney Australia and ensure that your bio describes your art and what is unique about you.

Having your own website is always an option or decide whether to use a third party such as Blue Thumb, Etsy or Art Lovers. Your website must be easy to use and the free website platform Shopify provides an easy shopping experience for your buyers.

Ros has many useful strategies for being creative, whether your art is a hobby with no desire to sell, or you are a hobbyist hoping to sell your first artwork or to sell more. Have a look at her inspiring website [permissiontopaint.com](http://permissiontopaint.com), follow her on [@rosgervayart](https://www.instagram.com/rosgervayart) and explore her website [rosgervayart.com](http://rosgervayart.com).

Thank you Ros for encouraging us to get creative, whether we want to sell our work or not.



## OUR NEXT GENERAL MEETING 5 SEPTEMBER 2023

### GUEST SPEAKER

#### Suzy Strout – Cold Wax and Oils

Suzy is an Inner West artist who worked for 40 years in performance and theatrical costumes as a Designer, Costume Design Associate and Supervisor. She has been developing her art practice full-time ever since. Her works reside in private collections in Australia and the USA.

She has exhibited in solo and group exhibitions, has been a finalist in Waverley Art Prize and a three times finalist in the Greenway Art Prize.

As an active member of the Drummoyne Art Society, Suzy regularly exhibits in their biannual exhibitions and her local Inner West area.

Moving between realism and a more impressionistic form, her earlier works used predominantly acrylic paints, then oils, then inks and oil pastels, and collage as she emphasised the textures and shapes in the details of nature and explored our transient journey through the landscape.

Inspired by the natural world, but usually completed in her studio, her paintings are colourful and evocative, encouraging the viewer to respond to the scene.

Suzy often works with Gamblin cold wax medium and oil paint to be able to apply multiple layers and textures and then excavate to reveal hidden colours and it is this technique that she would like to demonstrate for Ku-ring-gai Art Society in September.

<http://suzystrout.com>



### FUTURE SPEAKERS 2023

Oct 3 **Khing Sin McCotter** – Pastels

Nov 7 **Scott Swinson** – Watercolourist

### RAFFLE WINNER

The painting, donated by Cheryl Bruce, "The Pollen Maker," was won by Jeorgia Bowden.

Proceeds from the raffle were donated to the Boonah Creative Centre in West Pymble.



## PATRICK ZHU KAS Vice President



Patrick joined Ku-ring-gai Art Society in March 2020 and in a very short time has become an integral part of our society.

Patrick is married and has a daughter. There is a very strong connection to art in his family, Lesley his wife is a volunteer guide with the NSW Art Gallery and assists in tours both in English and Mandarin.

Patrick and his immediate family have been in Australia for a long time, his daughter growing up here. You will have noticed his painting at the last Awards Exhibition, painted of his family, masked at the airport at the beginning of COVID as they returned to China. Patrick has not been able to see them since that time.

Patrick is always cheerful and very enthusiastic. He is very active within the society and even though he had only been a member for a very short time agreed to become Vice-President in 2022.

Patrick has been very involved in obtaining sponsorship for the Awards Exhibition, bringing in new sponsors and will always be available to assist with all aspects of creating the exhibitions, from assisting with the hanging of the paintings to taking them down and anything else he is asked to assist with.

Patrick's computer skills have also been of great benefit as he has stepped into an assistant role in the Property Management of our Monthly General Meetings and assists Bill Filson with the setting up of the computer and multi-media systems at Turramurra Masonic Hall, which really enhances the members' viewing experience of the Guest Speakers.

We would like to thank Patrick for all his cheerful volunteering.

## COMBINED ART SOCIETIES OF SYDNEY

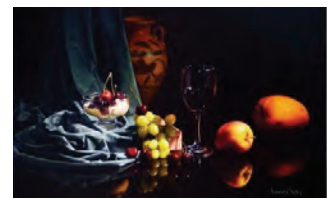
### Art at the Royal

Royal Art Society Exhibition

**9 to 27 August 2023**

**Open Daily:** 10am to 4pm Mon. to Fri. and 11am to 4pm Sat/Sun.

**Venue:** Lavender Bay Gallery, 25-27 Walker St., North Sydney



*Best in Show, Art of Sydney 2023  
GLOW by David El Melky*

### Art in the Country at Kandos

**Workshops over 3 weekends** are now available for booking through CASS website: [combinedsocieties@yahoo.com.au](mailto:combinedsocieties@yahoo.com.au)

**Weekend 1** – 30 September to 2 October, Tutors: Steve Underwood, Jackie Pearson.

**Weekend 2** – 7 to 9 October, Tutors: Tricia Rustenburg Balloch, Chris Seale, Vivienne McDonald, Tricia Taylor.

**Weekend 3** – 14 to 16 October. Tutors: Herman Dekalogy Troughton Troughton Dissanayake.



## KAS 56th AWARDS EXHIBITION

The exhibition was held at St Ives Village Gallery from July 18 to 31. Nine Prize Categories plus special prizes were awarded by judges Rachel Carroll and John Perkins.

A big thank you to all the members who helped to make this year's Award Exhibition a success.

Congratulations to all the Artists who exhibited, won prizes, and sold their artworks.

Robyne Berling reported that 34 works were sold with a total value of \$28,460.

We had a very successful Prize Giving Presentation and thanks to our wonderful Photographer Shane Rozario, photos from this evening can be viewed and downloaded for members and guest to keep. **Bryan Freer** has done a great job creating a new section on our website with all the information and photos from The Awards Exhibition.

To view winning artworks go to [www.ourkas.com.au](http://www.ourkas.com.au)

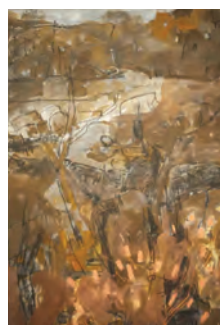
Photos from the Presentation Night can be viewed and downloaded via this <https://shanerozariophotography.pixieset.com/gallery-kas56thannualartawards/>

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## PRIZE WINNERS



**Best in Show:**  
Peter Whitehead  
Banksias, Sheldons  
Forest (213)

**Member for  
Bradfield Prize:**  
Louise Kenny

**Spirit Of Ku-ring-gai:**  
1st Louise Surmon  
2nd Linda Olstein  
3rd Irina Kozyrevitch  
H/C Louise Kenny

**Painting purchased  
by Council:**  
Lana Lombard

**Silver Jubilee:**  
Linda Joyce

**Oils:**  
1st Jane Rich  
2nd Ben Hur  
3rd Geoff Buckle  
H/C Sue Price

**Acrylic/Gouache:**  
1st Yvonne Langshaw  
2nd Robert Chung-Gon  
3rd Afra Beukers  
H/C Diana Robertson

**Mixed Media:**  
1sts Helen Cunningham  
2nd Eva Barry  
3rd Susan White  
H/C Peter Whitehead

**Watercolour:**  
1st Anthony Liem  
2nd Danni Lui  
3rd Dee Jackson  
H/C Cheryl Bruce

**Drawing:**  
1st Nora Hosking  
2nd Fereshteh (Angel)  
Pezeshki  
3rd Jenny Hatfield  
H/C Anthony Liem

**Printmaking:**  
1st Julie Debray  
2nd Jennifer O'Young  
3rd Madeleine  
Syzmanski  
H/C Liz Harriott

**Pastels:**  
1st Kathy Smoker  
2nd Madeliene  
Syzmanski  
3rd Khing sin McCotter  
H/C Rebecca Diacono

**Miniatures:**  
1st Noeline Millar  
2nd Pat Wilson  
3rd Susan Farrell  
H/C Jennifer O'Young

**The Viewer's Choice  
Prize:** Karen Sentonaris  
**Viewer:** Louise Aghayan

## NEXT EXHIBITION

**KAS Spring Exhibition**

9 to 22 October 2023. Bump in 8 October.

## En Plein Air Sketch Clubs

### Monday Group

Our En Plein Air Sketch Club is open to all KAS members. The group meets on Mondays, from 10am to 12.30pm. *(Bring a sandwich)*

This is a great opportunity to enjoy the companionship of painting/sketching outdoors in our beautiful city. If you are interested, please contact Caroline Oesterheld on 0407 487 391. Caroline has set up a What's App Group to keep in touch.

**Wet weather – St Ives Wildflower Garden**

**WHATS APP – please check Monday morning**

Below is the Schedule for next month which will be updated each month in Newsletter.

**August 28 WOOLWICH** – Angelo Street, park near end of street. Toilets down at Clarks Point Reserve or back in the hotel.

**Sept 4 SYDNEY OBSERVATORY PARK** – Upper Fort St. Turn off from Argyle St into Watson Rd then Upper Fort St. Park along street. Toilets beginning of Watson Rd or in The Sydney Observatory.

**Sept 11 MONA VALE** – Winnerremy Bay – Park Eric Green Drive, Mona St.

**Sept 18 CREMORNE** – Brightmore Reserve – enter via Young St and Little Young St.

**Sept 25 LONGUEVILLE** – Ferry Wharf, paint near wharf – Enter via Stuart St.

### Friday Group

This group of very friendly artists is keen to boost their numbers. They have been going for more than 20 years and would love to welcome new members. They start about 9.30am and stop for lunch about 12. They all take a sandwich and a thermos so time for painting and socialising. If you would like more information contact Jeanette Agnew – [jeanette.agnew@gmail.com](mailto:jeanette.agnew@gmail.com)

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

**Below is their schedule for next few weeks which will be updated in the next Newsletter.**

**28 July** Observatory Hill, The Rocks

**25 Aug** McKay Reserve, Palm Beach

**8 Sept** Mosman Bay Rowers, Harnett St, Mosman

**15 Sept** Mosman Bay Rowers, Harnett St, Mosman

**22 Sept** Hunters Hill Town Hall

**29 Sept** North Harbour, Reserve

### Weekend Group

This group will meet about four times a year. Future dates will be published in the Newsletter or contact Caroline Oesterheld.

## WORKSHOPS

### OUR NEXT WORKSHOP – 16 September

**Judith White**

**Contemporary Still Life, the dynamics of interior space.**

Known for her richly textured abstract paintings of the Australian landscape, Judith White explores in her new works the interplay between form and space in the urban environment. Using her unique layering process of pigment and collage, Judith allows abstract shapes and spaces to emerge upon the canvas or paper surface – railway stations, city centres, bus terminals, parks, gardens, ponds, and urban lakes are reflected in these shapes with "a strong imaginative reference to the transient energy, texture and movement of the urban landscape".

Members are encouraged to book in on the website [www.ourkas.com.au](http://www.ourkas.com.au)

Or phone Prue Finlay 0412 983 034



# MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

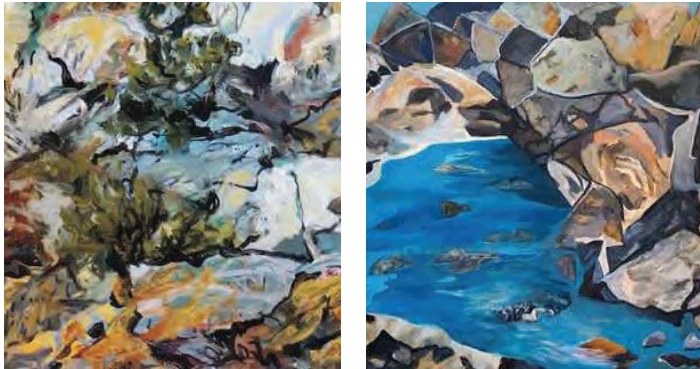
## EXHIBITIONS

### ERIKA BECK's 19th Solo Exhibition "Conversations with Nature": 19 Aug – 7 Sept 2023

Focusing on beautiful local areas and challenging Australian landscapes including rugged landscapes of the Kimberley and Central Australia. Also, beautiful parts of NSW and less frequented parts of the coastline will be included.

**Thienny Lee Gallery**, 176 new South Head Road (Opposite Edgecliff Train Station – where there is also 1.5 hours free parking)

**Opening Saturday, 19 August, 3-5pm** / Opening address by Dr Erik W. Aslaksen FRNS.



### KHING McCOTTER – Exhibition "Ecotones": 1 – 30 Sep 2023

Gordon Library, 799 Pacific Highway, Gordon  
Open Monday to Thursday 9am to 8pm – Friday 9am to 5pm  
Saturday and Sunday 9.30am to 5pm.

Web: [www.khingmccotter.com](http://www.khingmccotter.com) / Ph: 0413 041 069

E: [khing@khingmccotter.com](mailto:khing@khingmccotter.com)



### THE KOREA-AUSTRALIA ARTS FOUNDATION – 2023 (10th) KAAF ART PRIZE

This year is a special year as it marks our 10th year of running. The winner takes \$20,000 acquisitive prize, followed by 2 x highly commended awards each valued at \$2000 (non-acquisitive).



**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Tuesday, 31 October 2023, 11:59pm  
[www.kaaf.org.au](http://www.kaaf.org.au)

## NEW SOCIAL MEMBERS

Welcome to the following new Social Members: Merie Botes, Qian Zhang, Rachel Lafazaris, Marie Schmitt Mainam and Thomas Sutomo.

## NEW EXHIBITING MEMBERS

The last selection date for social members to become exhibiting members was held on Aug 4. Congratulations to the following successful applicants.

Judy Salleh, Dianne Gail Stinson, Dee Roan-Brown, Cheryl Che, Anna Kalisiak, Linda Miha Chung, Jum ae Kim, Earl Hingston and Sarah Doyle.

The next opportunity for Social Members to become Exhibiting Members will be held in May and August 2024. Check the website [www.ourkas.com.au](http://www.ourkas.com.au) for the application procedure and work on a portfolio to present for consideration.

## Treasurer's Report

As of 22/07/2023

### Assets

Term Deposits	\$169,400
Cash on Hand – Bendigo Bank	\$22,968

### Receipts and Expenses

Receipts	\$52,089
Expenses	(\$38,726)
Net Receipts	\$13,363

## Newsletter News

Please send all news to be included in the next newsletter to Jenny Hatfield at [jennyhatfield@bigpond.com](mailto:jennyhatfield@bigpond.com)

**Deadline for the next newsletter is: 11 September**

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