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New Year Greetings to You All

We're off to another year of painting starting on Tuesday, 2 February in the Gospel Hall. Folk generally arrive around 9.30am and you are free to stay until 3.00pm. We give out the notices at 10.00am so it is best to have arrived by then! Please also remember your weekly \$2.00 offering as this pays for the Hall hire. Tea, coffee and biscuits are also on tap. We look forward to catching up with you all again.

Congratulations to Lyn Rate for leading some plein air groups over the holidays and to Rosie Pack who participated in the Waikuku sand sculpture competition. I wonder how many others of you did some creative work over the holiday period? I did attempt some watercolour while holidaying in the North Island, but it was a struggle as the paint was drying on the brush before reaching the paper!

Wasn't the Twelve Days of Christmas series on 'The Farmers' fence a cheerful lead-in to Christmas? Again, thanks to Rosie and her helpers for this lovely mural. I've also seen colourful bird cut-outs on other fences in the High St, but I'm not sure who did them. Isn't it great to walk down both sides of a brighter High St unimpeded?

### **Painting in the great Outdoors**

Lyn Rate and Carolyn Abernethy will be continuing with their leadership of our plein air-painting group. At present the following dates are planned 2 Feb, 1 March, 5 April. I suggest you give either Carolyn (03 132 8524) or Lyn (03 424 4665) a phone call to see where they are off to. Hopefully these days will be conducive to working outside.

### **Tuesday Topics for 2016**

A separate sheet is attached with this year's topics. Please keep it safe for future reference. Remember that if you start any of these on the said Tuesday you can enter them into the Workshop section of our September Exhibition. You will notice that the topics start from our second week this year. The title gives you the lead-in. You may interpret this in any way you like, using media of your choice. There is no right or wrong. What people are looking for are strong works, which tell a story. This year Pip Dobson has put the topics together, so many thanks, Pip.

## Waikuku Artists Inc – February Exhibition

This year's show runs over the weekend of 12 to 14 February with the opening at 7.30pm on Friday 12. Tickets for the opening are \$20 and are available from our members who will be exhibiting. (Quilliam Collister Ph 3128825, Jan Campbell Ph 03 9201209 and Mandy Palmer Ph 3122216) Admission includes drinks and finger food. The show is open on the Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm, (gold coin admission).

## Subscriptions

As always Sue will start collecting your 2016 sub as from now. As agreed at our last AGM the membership fee is now \$30.00 reduced to \$25.00 if paid before 31 March. If you are one of those folk who are having problems with receiving our emails, or if you have changed phone numbers or even addresses during the course of last year please do let us know by filling in the attached form. Robert Cusdin, our Membership secretary does a mighty job trying to keep up with all the changes. Sometimes a member's handwriting is a little difficult to decipher, so it is important, especially with email addresses, to make these really clear.

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## TUESDAY PAINTING TOPICS 2016

February 9 & 16:	Family
February 23 & March 1:	Holiday/The Beach
March 8 & 15:	Café culture
March 22 & 29:	Easter theme
April 5 & 12:	Autumn
April 19 & 26:	Bridges
May 3 & 10:	Mixed Media
May 17 & 24:	The Trader
May 31 & June 7:	Flight
June 14 & 21:	Movement
June 28 & July 5:	Abstract
July 12 & 19:	Winter
July 26 & August 2:	Portraits
August 9 & 16:	Transportation
August 23 & 30:	<b>Exhibition preparation</b>
September 6 & 13:	Wildlife
September 20 & 27:	Impressionism
October 4 & 11:	Spring
October 18 & 25:	Old buildings
November 1 & 8	Coastal Activities
November 15 & 22:	Local landscape
November 29:	Christmas theme
December 6:	<b>Christmas break-up</b>