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October 2018

Spring arrived with fluctuating temperatures, but this did not affect the numbers attending our Tuesday sessions which continue to be well attended. The numbers coming in the afternoon remain low, so this is still a quiet zone. The committee has been busy, thinking about 2019 as well as the rest of this year.

2019 RAS Members' Calendar: There is still time to put in a photo for the calendar as the deadline has been extended to October 2. We require both Landscape and Portrait orientated works, approximately 13 of each will be selected. Final selection of works will fall to the committee, we will endeavour to include as many members' works as possible. You can either bring your unframed works in to the Gospel Hall on Tuesday 2 October where Marg will photograph them or members can upload 'full resolution images' (straight from your camera) on our website www.rangioraart.org.nz. It is important that we know the name of the artist and the title of the work so if submitting work for photography or electronically please ensure that we have these details. Pre-orders of the Calendar will be available if you wish to purchase as Christmas presents. Order forms will follow.

Ryman Cash and Carry Exhibition: The exhibition at Charles Upham in Rangiora is confirmed for the weekend of 30 November (opening night), 1-2 December (open for show). This is organized by RAS and includes other local art groups under the umbrella of North Canterbury Arts Collective. Ryman are generous in covering costs. This will be a Cash and Carry exhibition with 10% sales going to the charity chosen by Ryman. We need photos of pictures that will be entered in this show so that Ryman can choose one they want to use for their advertising of the event. Please send your photographs via the website but please note, these must be of pictures you will enter in the Ryman exhibition this year. Works may be new or previously exhibited. Please see the entry form attached to this newsletter.

Pegasus Bay Art Show: Another splendid exhibition and congratulations go to Gurpinder Singh (aka Franky) for winning the People's Choice award for his picture Night Life.

En Plein Air Painting: Carolyn Abernethy has organized some interesting opportunities once a month on a Thursday for 2018. For further information telephone Carolyn at 03 3128524.

- October 4th Kaiapoi Lakes Reserve.
- November 1st Castle Hill. We will car pool, leaving Rangiora at 8.30am, returning by 5pm.
- December 6th Mt Thomas homestead, 436 Birch Hill Road, Okuku.

RAS Calendar of Events: Keep these dates in mind:

November 30, 1-2 December	Ryman's Art Exhibition
December 11	Christmas Lunch – venue to be decided

RAS Christmas Lunch: If you haven't already done so, please give your name to Tracey Parker to book your place. We are looking at several places and will decide on which one based on cost effectiveness and food choices.

RAS Member Opinions: The RAS committee seeks your ideas on how to improve the Rangiora Art Society. We ask members to fill in the Survey form (see below) to give us constructive feedback. Please consider this and return it to a committee member or pop it in the Tuesday Suggestion box or email your response to the committee. Thank you for your consideration, we welcome feedback.

Other Events:

Canterbury Arts inform us that there are some events that may be of interest to members.

- Unbroken Line – Contemporary Sculpture by Matthew Williams. 3-23 October at form Gallery.
- Life is Beautiful – Lisa Wallace exhibition 10-11 November at Baird Gallery Rangī Ruru Girls school.

Artarama will be held again on 12-14 October at St Andrew’s College, Christchurch. Rotary is organizing this exhibition to raise funds for a charity, yet to be finalized.

Easels for sale: Di Mabbitt’s husband, Glyn, makes easels from Oregon, oiled with linseed oil. Large easels \$40, medium easels \$30 (both pictured right) and table top easels \$20 (not pictured). He can make easels to your requirements. Contact Glyn via 021 175 4557.



The **Drawing Room** sale continues. The Drawing Room has arranged a variety of tutorials during October, November. Spaces may be available, check details with the Drawing Room. Tutors include: Ben Reid (Printmaking), Jonathan Marett (Drawing people), Wayne Seyb (Painting oil/acrylic) and some Christmas themed workshops. They also plan to have Realism in Oil Painting, for beginners with Jennifer Mulligan in February & March. Check details with the Drawing Room staff.

Life Drawing classes: Jeff Elliot has organized life drawing classes at the Woodend Methodist Hall on Monday evenings from 7-9:30 pm. The cost is \$15 per evening. Participants can attend on a casual basis. Jeff can be contacted via his mobile: 021 909762.

Happy painting everyone.

Attachments to this newsletter: RAS Survey form (see below); Ryman Cash and Carry Entry Form.

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Rangiora Art Society Member Survey October 2018

- **What is the best thing about RAS?**

- **What is one thing that you would change if it was in your power?**

- **What new thing would you like to see implemented in RAS that is not there now?**
