

RAS

RANGIORA ART SOCIETY

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May-June 2021

Late Autumn and nearly winter already with cooler days, we may get more painting done and the May 30-Day Challenge could be just what we need. We welcome Youmi Lee to our membership.

Jean Booth 1919-2021: Sadly, we announce the death of a stalwart of the Rangiora Art Society, Jean Booth. In recent years Jean has been living at Rymans' Charles Upham but has continued to be interested in art and especially in the activities of the Rangiora Art Society. Jean was a Life Member of the RAS and attended our Christmas lunch as recently as 2019. Jean is remembered with affection and admiration for her art works, her creativity, and her longevity. Jean was still interested in the activities of others and making the best of her life, despite her frailty in recent years. Jean died in her 102nd year, on 8 April 2021.



Important Announcement: Due to the requisition of the Jubilee Centre rooms we have had to make alternative arrangements.

May 4: Ruby Whitty's Workshop has had to be postponed. Ruby has agreed to provide this workshop early in 2022 instead. There will be a Plein Air session on May 4 that some may wish to join.

May 11: The AGM will go ahead, as planned, at 11 am, at the Showgrounds, but will be in the Secretary's Office at the Rangiora Showgrounds. This will be the only RAS activity that day, apart from the 30-day Challenge, of course.

2021 AGM: The date of the AGM is 11 May, at 11:00am at the Showgrounds. Due to the requisition of the Jubilee Centre rooms we are unexpectedly unable to hold our AGM there but we have been offered the Secretary's room to hold our meeting. This will be the only RAS activity that day. We hope that as many of you as possible will attend the AGM but ask you to please contact Marg Stephenson to let her know that you will be attending as space is limited in the Secretary's room. Early birds will secure a chair. Due to the change of venue, we will only be able to offer a cup of tea/coffee but the meeting is not expected to take long. Russell Hobbs is standing down from the committee but we are glad that he will remain in a support role, we have been most fortunate to have his support. The other current serving committee members are prepared to continue, at this point. If you see yourself as a committee member, please see a current committee member and let your intentions be known. If you think someone else would be a good committee person, again, please see us.

May 30-Day Challenge: Don't forget to give this Challenge a go. Works are not required to be finished, often they form the basis of a much more developed painting completed at a later stage. Try to keep them to no more than A4 size so that they can be displayed at our Spring into Spring Exhibition in a folder.

Bring-along-and-sell day: A few members brought along surplus items and others were happy to gain a bargain. We will have another Bring along and sell day later in the year.

Plein Air: Check the Calendar of Events for upcoming venues. If you have questions about plein air please contact Carolyn Abernethy 03 2612030 or Graham Williams 03 3128524.

2021 RAS Calendar of Events: Please keep these dates in mind:

May 4	Jubilee Centre unavailable. Topic: May Challenge and/or Autumn Leaves. Plein Air: 50 German Road, Cust.
May 11	AGM at Secretary's Office, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 11 am. Limited space but please do come, we need your support. See newsletter. Topic: May Challenge and/or Autumn Leaves.
May 18	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: May Challenge and/or Pampered Pooches Plein Air: Kaiapoi wharf, 'River Queen'.
May 25	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: May Challenge and/or Pampered Pooches Plein Air Postponement date for River Queen.
June 1	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: Starry night Jenny Baker's Tutorial – Oil Painting, 10am-2pm.
June 8	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: Starry Night
June 15	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: Harbour Plein Air: Graham William's studio, 23 Cullen Ave, Mandeville. Wet/fine.
June 22	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: Harbour
June 29	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: At the Playground.
Future Dates:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Plein Air scheduled for 15 July at Carolyn Abernethy's, 215 Hodgson's Road, Loburn. Postponement date 22 July.• Maxine Burney Tutorial 'Putting Life into Acrylic Painting' 27 July, 10am-2pm.

Donate Materials: We have arranged workshops this year in a variety of media. To encourage people to try workshops in a medium that they may not be equipped for, we would ask that you donate surplus oils, acrylics, watercolours, and pastels to RAS for these workshops. Please would members bring these surplus materials before June 30th.

Ray Hastings: we had a positive response to our request for information about Ray Hastings and the scene of a specific painting, following an inquiry by the painting's current owner. We are grateful to the two members who provided the contact with Ray Hasting's daughter so that the area could be identified.

Spring into Spring Exhibition: The dates for our exhibition this year, 2021, are Friday 27, Saturday 28, and Sunday 29 August.

Set up dates are Wednesday 25 (7-9 pm) and Thursday 26 August (8-9 am).

Our Guest artist will be Adrienne Pavelka (watercolourist).

Venue - this will be in the Jubilee Event Centre at the Rangiora A&P Showgrounds.

Christchurch Art Gallery Exhibitions: there are several exhibitions running over the coming months, all worth visiting. Two of note are:

Ralph Hotere: A tete (to resist) 27 March to 25 July (Highly recommended).

Persistent Encounters: A historical selection of art from Dutch 'Golden Age' to modern period. Until 29 August.

Happy painting everyone.

With this newsletter: Tutorial Entry forms for Jenny Baker's Oil Painting tutorial/workshops and Maxine Burney's 'Putting Life into Acrylic Paintings' workshop.

Tutorial Entry Form – Jenny Baker: Oil Painting

Date: Tuesday 1 June 2021

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Venue: Jubilee Centre

Tutorial Cost: \$30* per member

Name: _____ Contact: _____

Method of payment:

- **Cash** handed to the RAS Treasurer
- **Internet banking** made to **Rangiora Art Society** **02-0876-0027478-00.**
Please use your **name** and **Oil** as **Reference**.

Entry Forms due by 25 May 2021

*We will confirm your place in this tutorial upon payment. Please note that there are no refunds.

Jenny Baker advises that for Oil Painting 1 June 10-2pm you will need:

Subject contains sunrise sky, marshes and reeds, an old dinghy and a pond. The emphasis will be on blending, distance perspective and use of types of brushes and a few demonstrations of ways we can use brushes or make them.

Materials for course:

Canvas board or oil painting paper approximately 18" by 14"

Liquin or your favourite Medium

Basic oil colours.....including Ultramarine blue, celeste blue or similar, white, yellow ochre, cadmium yellow, orange, red, burnt umber, burnt sienna, greens And your favourites. If you don't have the colours needed, I can help with some on the day.

Brushes to bring.... a variety of sizes but must include some quite fine ones, and a mop brush only if you have one. A Grainer brush will be great (these have long and short hairs in layers), but not essential.

A cloth to wipe your brushes and a wee jar of brush cleaner if you wish to bring one.

You will be provided with a picture of the topic, lots of ideas, encouragement and ...fun!

If you don't finish your painting on the day don't worry as it will be easy enough to continue at home in the days ahead. Looking forward to seeing you. Jenny Baker...

Tutorial Entry Form – Maxine Burney: 'Putting Life into Acrylic Paintings'

Date: Tuesday 27 July 2021

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Venue: Jubilee Centre

Tutorial Cost: \$30* per member

Name: _____ Contact: _____

Method of payment:

- **Cash** handed to the RAS Treasurer
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Please use your **name** and **Acrylic MB** as **Reference**.

Entry Forms due by 25 May 2021

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Maxine has provided a comprehensive description of her tutorial. We will provide an email copy of her expectations on request and will have spare copies available at the Jubilee Centre.

Some of the materials that you will need to bring are e.g., water pot, brushes, canvas/canvas board, paints, visual diary (A4) or paper, palette knife/knives...including your usual painting gear.

For those trying acrylic out for the first time we hope to have some paints available for you to use. Please check with the committee what is needed.