

RAS

RANGIORA ART SOCIETY

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Spring has arrived and the lambs are frolicking in the sunshine although Covid Lockdown has dampened things for all of us. Covid safety restrictions have meant that many events have been cancelled or, at best, postponed. Among those events was our own exhibition and our Tuesday sessions. This was disappointing, but the good news is that we have been able to re-schedule the RAS exhibition for new dates, 29-31 October, at the Jubilee Centre, with Adrienne Pavelka as our guest artist and with Peeks providing the panels, as previously planned. We await news as to when we can resume the Tuesday sessions safely.

In August we welcomed Debbie Stevens and Annette Hallaran to our membership, we hope to see them again soon when we resume at the Jubilee Centre.

Liz Ambler: It is with sadness that we learnt that Liz Ambler died on 15 August 2021, after a long struggle with health issues. In accordance with Liz's wishes a private cremation was held. A celebration of Liz's life was planned for Sunday 22 August at Northbrook Villas Residents' Clubhouse, but this has now been postponed, due to Covid lockdown restrictions. The family is keeping us informed of their plans for Liz's farewell. Liz was an active Tuesday member whose artworks were varied and admired. We will miss her cheery smile and gentle advice at art.



Spring Exhibition: We are still looking forward to this exhibition. The dates for our **re-scheduled 2021** exhibition are **Friday 29, Saturday 30, and Sunday 31 October**. If these rescheduled dates no longer suit you, please contact Jan Campbell to discuss this (artyjan@hotmail.com).

- **Set up/Receiving dates are Wednesday 27 October (6-7 pm) and Thursday 28 October (8:30-10 am) at Jubilee Centre.**
- Our **Guest artist** will be **Adrienne Pavelka** (Patron of Watercolour New Zealand Inc.).
- **Venue** is in the **Jubilee Event Centre at the Rangiora A&P Showgrounds on Ashley Street, Rangiora**. Viewing will be from 10 am to 4 pm on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- **RAS Raffle:** Please note that the RAS raffle will now be drawn on **Sunday 31 October** at the time we originally planned. If you have sold tickets to people outside RAS, please advise them about the change of date. The baskets of gifts are prepared and look lovely. Thank you to all the folk who contributed so generously to the baskets of goodies.
- **Advertising Flyers:** If you collected some of these please hold onto them and bring them to art when we resume, as we will provide a stick-on label to replace the exhibition dates on the flyers.

Rosters of volunteers: All the rosters to cover Exhibition and Raffle sales tasks will now be re-done as the change of dates has impacted on some folk. We are very grateful to the folk who offer their help to run the exhibition with door sales and raffle sales, as well as keeping an eye on visitors to see that they are enjoying their experience. We hope that again we will have enough helpers to get us through the exhibition.

RAS Calendar 2022: The RAS 2022 calendar has been printed so we will have them for sale when we resume our art sessions and at our Exhibition. The calendars cost \$15 each for members and \$20 for non-members. We thank Quilliam Collister who has again prepared a lovely calendar for us.

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

Please note that the following dates are dependent on Covid restrictions being relaxed enough for members to safely attend the sessions.

In the meantime, you could paint at home, using the topics if you need an idea.

August 31	At home in your bubble. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Illustrate a song title
September 7	At home in your bubble. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Illustrate a song title
September 14	Possibly at Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Buildings
September 21	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Buildings
September 28	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Shadows
October 5	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Shadows
October 12	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Dancing with the wind
October 19	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Dancing with the wind
October 26	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Sporting Chance; Halloween
October 27	Entries delivered to Jubilee Centre for Exhibition from 6-7 pm.	
October 28	Entries delivered to Jubilee Centre for Exhibition from 8:30-10:am.	
October 29-31	RAS Exhibition 2021. Open daily from 10am-4pm.	

There may be other opportunities to exhibit between now and Christmas:

- **Rangiora A&P Show** seeks entries from RAS members, and would appreciate having lots of our entries, especially now that we are operating on their doorstep. Please let the committee know if you are interested and we will send entry forms to you as soon as we have them. The Rangiora A&P Show is usually held over Labour weekend, **22-23 October 2021**. At the moment we assume that the Rangiora Show is going ahead.
- We have had an indication that **Rymans** are keen to hold another exhibition at **Charles Upham with RAS**. This will depend on the status of Covid restrictions but may be late November.

We are all at the mercy of the restrictions that are being made to try to keep New Zealand as safe as possible for all of us. We hope that you are all well and safe in your bubbles. Hopefully, it will not be long before we can get together again.

Keep safe and well. Happy painting everyone.

With this newsletter:

- **New Topic List for 2021-2022**. Please note that these topics form the basis of the Workshop category at the 2022 RAS Exhibition. It is optional to draw/paint something from the topic list.

