



July 2007

• **NEXT MEETING** •

Monday 9 July - 7.30pm sharp
Hughes Community Centre

Topic: Painting Australian Birds 'Colours Under Colours'

Guest speaker – Bernie Coppinger

Remember: Members \$2; non-members \$5 (room hire, supper)

• **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** •

Now that WABA is an incorporated body, we are bound to follow the model rules in the regulations made under the Associations Incorporation Act 1991. Because there are timeframes and procedures involved in nominating candidates for the committee, the AGM has been postponed until the September meeting.

Please read the information below, and think about nominating either yourself or someone else (with their consent) for a position on the committee.

The committee consists of:

President

Vice-president

Treasurer

Secretary

3 ordinary committee members

According to the incorporation rules all committee positions will be declared vacant. However, committee members are eligible for re-election.

Nominations of candidates for election as office-bearers or ordinary committee members:

- must be made in writing, signed by 2 members of WABA and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (which may be endorsed on the nomination form); and
- must be given to the secretary, Alison Bradney, not less than 7 days before the AGM.
- If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies, the candidates nominated are taken to be elected and further nominations may be received at the AGM.

- If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot will be held at the AGM.
- A person is not eligible to hold more than 1 position on the committee.

As an incorporated body we must adhere to certain obligations. The Secretary and Treasurer are important positions, and they must undertake certain tasks and record keeping for the association as outlined below.

The secretary must keep minutes of:

- all elections and appointments of office-bearers and ordinary committee members;
- the names of members of the committee present at a committee or general meeting;
- all proceedings at committee and general meetings.

The treasurer must:

- collect and receive all amounts owing to the association and make all payments authorized by the association;
- keep correct accounts and books showing the financial affairs of the association with full details of all receipts and expenditure connected with the activities of the association.

Nomination forms will be sent out with the next newsletter and will be made available on the website.

\$ MEMBERSHIP FEES REMINDER \$

Membership fees are NOW DUE.

Fee schedule:

Single membership \$40

Family membership \$50

Pensioners/FULL-TIME students \$35

(Student ID or Pensioner ID must be provided)

For your convenience, a membership form is included with this newsletter. Please post the completed form, together with your payment, to:

The Treasurer

PO Box 2020

WODEN ACT 2606

• **NEW! WABA WEBSITE!** •

Have a look at our fresh new website at:

www.waba.net.au

Apart from a new look, it has several new features including:

Calendar - with links to further information on events; you can also add an event.

Meetings - information on upcoming meetings; information on guest speakers for past meetings. Workshops information.

Exhibitions - WABA and other exhibitions info.

Artists Register - with artists' gallery.

Members page - Password protected – newsletters will be made available at this page.

Membership form - will also be available.

!! WANTED – WEBSITE MANAGER !!

Are you interested or know of someone who may be interested in taking on the task of Website Manager? Some knowledge of *html* code is essential. If you require more information about what is involved, please contact one of the committee members.

• **WABA EXHIBITIONS** •

Wildlife Art @ Discovery

29 June – 8 July National Exhibition and Award
CSIRO Discovery Centre, Clunies Ross Street,
Black Mountain.

Fundraising Raffle: to be held in conjunction with the exhibition.

1st prize: Painting by Lesley Wallington

2nd prize: \$300 voucher - the Art Store

3rd prize: 'Meet-a-Cheetah' voucher - National Zoo and Aquarium.

Tickets: \$2 each or 3 for \$5 - available for sale at the monthly meetings and at the exhibition. If you would like to assist with ticket selling please contact one of the Committee members. Please return any unsold tickets to Belinda Ingram before the exhibition opening.

Winning tickets will be drawn on 8 July.

Next year's *Wildlife Art @ Discovery* Exhibition and Award will be from 27 June to 6 July 2008.

**Eighth Annual Exhibition
'Art of Nature'**

14 September – 7 October 2007

The Artists Shed, 14 Foster St, Queanbeyan

Remember, you must be a financial member of WABA to be eligible to enter this exhibition.

Entries will close 28 August – Entry forms will be sent out shortly.

• **CALL FOR PHOTOS** •

Remember to send your photos or anecdotes of past WABA events, workshops, field trips and members to PO Box 2020, Woden ACT 2606.

• **YOUR ART CV** •

A CV template and an image template are included with this newsletter and will be available on our website shortly.

The purpose of your CV is to accompany WABA art exhibitions and members meetings.

Your CV should be no longer than an A4 page, plus an A4 page for images of your art. The WABA template has four sections: biography; subject, style and media; speciality area; commissions, publications, teaching and awards.

Please send your completed CV to The Secretary, PO Box 2020, WODEN ACT 2606 or email to abradney@fastmail.fm

• **NEW MEMBERS** •

A big WELCOME to the following new members:

Nilvana Adams
Gillian Baldock
Maria Boreham
Nicolas Day
Margaret Wattam

• **CONTACTS** •

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Wildlife Art @ Discovery 2007 Inaugural Exhibition and Award

Over 170 people attended the official opening of the inaugural Wildlife Art @ Discovery Exhibition held at the CSIRO Discovery Centre.

Artists from all around Australia were invited to exhibit artworks in the inaugural *Wildlife Art @ Discovery* Exhibition at the CSIRO Discovery Centre in Canberra. Guest artists Nicholas Day, James Luck and Wendy Jennings feature in the exhibition, along with many other Australian artists including Canberra's own fine art talent and WABA members Peter Marsack, Lesley Wallington, Belinda Ingram and Frances McMahon. The exhibition will continue on our website until the end of July 2007.

Final entries were selected for the exhibition by an independent panel comprising art lecturer Noel Ford, wildlife art author Dr Penny Olsen and Director of CSIRO's National Wildlife Collection, Dr Leo Joseph.

The panel also nominated awards in recognition of excellence, with 16 awards presented to artists represented in the exhibition. The 'Best in Show' award went to Peter Marsack for his oil painting 'Look – Satin Bowerbird'. Award categories included sculpture, oil, gouache, watercolour, other media paintings, and highly commended awards.

The exhibition goal was to promote an appreciation of Australia's natural heritage and highlight current wildlife conservation issues. Paintings and sculptures feature well known Australian birds such as the boobook owl, cassowary, brown falcon and rosellas; there are also magnificent interpretations of Australia's red desert sands with animals like the red kangaroo, quoll and lace monitor. Leafy seadragons, corroboree frogs and cicadas are also included in the exhibition.

Our Exhibition Sponsors:

- The Art Store
- Exhibition Centre
- CSIRO Discovery Centre
- The National Zoo and Aquarium

Plans are underway for next year's exhibition which will be held in June/July 2008 in Canberra, so keep an eye out for details and entry forms. For more information please see the Wildlife and Botanical Artists website at www.waba.net.au

Recognition for many hours of effort to achieve this exhibition must go to:
LESLEY WALLINGTON
BELINDA INGRAM
FRANCES MCMAHON
PETER MARSACK
DI MORTIMER
VIVIEN PINDER, and ALL other members that assisted with this exhibition!!

• AWARD WINNERS •

■ SCULPTURE

- GOLD Award – Andrew Henley, 'Green and Gold Bell Frog' Bronze Sculpture
- SILVER Award – Barry Mousley, 'Southern Boobook' Wood and Acrylic

■ WATERCOLOUR

- GOLD Award – Peter Marsack, 'Pink Ears'
- SILVER Award – Lesley Wallington, 'Leafy Seadragon'
- BRONZE Award – Michelle Caitens, 'In Our Hands'

■ OIL

- GOLD Award – Peter Marsack, 'Look – Satin Bowerbird'
- SILVER Award – Sandra Temple, 'Beetle Hunt'

■ GOUACHE

- GOLD Award – Frank Knight, 'Northern Quoll'
- SILVER Award – Kim Franklin, 'Brown Falcon'

■ OTHER MEDIA

- GOLD Award – Janet Twigg-Paterson, 'Cicadas – Hot Summer'
- SILVER Award – Beverley Irwin, 'Give and Take'
- BRONZE Award – Ji Qui, 'Rock Dweller'

■ HIGHLY COMMENDED AWARD

- Ji Qui, 'Master of Undergrowth'
- Janet Matthews, 'Shh! – Don't Wake Mum'
- Frances McMahon, 'Splash!'

■ BEST IN SHOW AWARD

- Peter Marsack, 'Look – Satin Bowerbird'



'Look – Satin Bowerbird' © Peter Marsack

Report by Julia Landford, Exhibition Director