

## October 2003

### • WABA ANNUAL EXHIBITION 2003 •

Our opening night on Friday 12 September was a great success. Ninety-six works were hung. Congratulations go to all exhibitors and prize winners for outstanding efforts.

Many thanks to the dedicated committee, for the generous efforts of those who assisted in hanging the exhibition, to Rydges Hotel for supplying refreshments, and to the generosity of the sponsors who donated prizes.

**Remember that the exhibition runs until 8 December, so don't forget to tell your friends and relatives about it, or take them along to see these beautiful works.**

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### Future Annual Exhibitions

The Committee has reached a decision that members who have won first prize in any given category for two successive years will be ineligible for a prize in that same category in the following two years, in order to give other members an opportunity to win a prize.

Following a suggestion from this year's judges we are reviewing our list of award categories for our next annual exhibition. For example the Centre for Plant Biodiversity Research would like to offer a prize in a category for Scientific Plant Representation.

### • NEXT MEETING •

**MONDAY 13 OCTOBER at 7.30pm at the Hughes Community Centre.**

This month WABA member Toni Hogan will demonstrate how to make a bound sketch book. Members can then make one for themselves to take home. Materials will be supplied at a small cost (\$3-\$5). Please bring a darning needle if you have one, otherwise there will be a limited number available to borrow.

### • UPCOMING WORKSHOPS •

**NATIONAL LIBRARY - "BEHIND THE SCENES" field trip**

**Monday 13 October - 10am to 11.30am**

Space for up to 25 members. **Please register your interest with Di Mortimer on 6231 3040 ASAP!**

**DR HELEN HEWSON**

**Saturday 8 November – 1.30pm to 4.30pm**

**Sunday 9 November – 9.30am to 4.00pm**

Venue: Australian National Botanic Gardens

Cost: \$50

Saturday afternoon will be spent doing botanical drawing in the field, with a workshop held on Sunday. This workshop will be a preparation for artists wishing to gain new skills for entry in next year's Margaret Flockton Art Prize.

**JOHN PRATT, Printmaker**

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE - CHANGE OF DATE:**

**Workshop is now on 15-16 November**

Venue: Megalo, Watson

Cost: \$110.00 plus a small cost for materials. Non-members \$130.00.

The weekend will provide an opportunity to explore a range of approaches to etching on copper plate. Engraving, line etching and soft ground etching will be introduced on the Saturday with a particular focus on the mediation of drawing through the processes of etching and different forms of printing (perhaps some colour). Plates will be further developed on the Sunday using aquatint and lift ground techniques.

**Places are still available for the above workshops. For further information or bookings, please contact Di Mortimer on 6231 3040.**

Susannah Blaxhill's workshop is now full.

### • COMING UP – AGM – Monday 10 Nov •

As many of our current office bearers have served for a number of years it's time for some new blood to take over! Janet Twigg-Patterson would very much like to hear from anyone interested in becoming an office bearer, and this year we would like to expand our committee with more support members. Current office bearers are prepared to assist with hand-over and also to assist on the Committee.

• **RAFFLE TICKETS** •

**A book of raffle tickets is enclosed with this newsletter.**

As our contribution towards helping with the restoration of Tidbinbilla it would be greatly appreciated if you could sell the tickets and deliver the monies and stubs, or any unsold tickets, to our Treasurer Toni Hogan, 12 Hosking Place, Bonython; ph: 6293 1547, or bring them along to the next meeting (if you can sell them that fast!) or to the following AGM meeting in November.

✳ **CHRISTMAS PARTY** ✳

Yes, it's almost that time of year again!

Our Christmas Party this year will be held at the Australian National Botanic Gardens on Sunday 7 December.

Further details will appear in the next newsletter.

• **EXHIBITIONS** •

**Canberra Botanical 2003**

**Dates: 10-19 October**

WABA members are invited to the opening of the inaugural Canberra Botanical 2003 on Friday 10 October at 6pm at the CSIRO Discovery Centre, Clunies Ross Drive, Black Mountain.

**Please see enclosed brochure.**

Visit the website at:

[www.helenfitzgerald.com/Canberra\\_Botanical/](http://www.helenfitzgerald.com/Canberra_Botanical/)

**2003 Orana Spring Fair**

**Dates: Saturday 1 and Sunday 2 November**

Members of WABA are invited to exhibit and sell works at the Orana Spring Fair. This is an annual event held at the school (Unwin Place, Weston) that attracts a large number of visitors. Subject matter is open.

For information and entry forms please contact Lesley Wallington on 6281 3224.

• **FOR SALE** •

**WABA mugs** – only \$6 each!

Would make great Christmas presents – especially if you fill them with goodies!

Available at the next meeting on 13 October.

• **COMMITTEE CONTACTS** •

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• **OTHER EVENTS** •

- WABA is now advertising our 'upcoming workshops' information in the Australian National Botanical Gardens Friends newsletter.
- WABA has been invited to exhibit at the newly refurbished Namadgi Park Information Centre. Exhibition will be (tentatively) early 2004.

• **OUR WEBSITE** •

Please contact Denise Sutherland on 6288 1418 if you would like to have your work, CV and/or contact details included on our website at [www.wba.asn.au](http://www.wba.asn.au)