



Wildlife and Botanical Artists Incorporated

Established 1998

Aims

- We are a non-profit, community arts networking organisation where artists can meet to support and encourage each other, provide instruction and friendship and forge links between artists of differing abilities and interests.
- The group recognizes flora and fauna as being sources of inspiration for art. This expression also reflects the bond formed between art and science.
- We acknowledge and encourage diversity in style and subject matter and interpretation.
- Through promotion of the group, its philosophies and its activities we hope to advance an appreciation of our natural heritage within the community.
- Exhibiting opportunities are created throughout the year to showcase the artwork of our members and promote the group.

Activities

- Quarterly meetings with presentations on a range of wildlife and botanical subjects are organised with interesting guest speakers. Members are also encouraged to participate as presenters for these meetings where possible.
- Organised field trips provide members with an opportunity to meet others and learn more about wildlife and botanical subject matter.
- Informative quarterly newsletters keep members up to date with events and activities.
- A register of artists is maintained on our website to enable organizations to access members for commissioned work. Artist's CVs provide information for selection purposes.
- The Art of Nature: Annual Exhibition and Art Prize.* The aim of this exhibition is to showcase the art of all WABA members. The group receives generous sponsorship in the form of art prizes from local businesses, environmental groups, scientific and educational organizations.
- Wildlife Art @ Discovery: National Exhibition and Art Award:* Our flagship peer-reviewed exhibition is open to artists Australia-wide. Its aim is to promote wildlife artists and encourage an appreciation of Australian wildlife through artwork and sculpture.