

# OATLEY 101 SOCIETY OF ARTISTS INC.

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## NEWSLETTER

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Well, the undoubted highlights of this month was the 24<sup>th</sup> Members Exhibition and the fantastic opening night. Mark Coure, Member for Oatley, formally opened the Exhibition with his welcoming address to members and guests. Mark is known for his support of community events and we appreciate him giving up his time for the Society's most important night.



A big thank you to our Sponsors, St George Maso's represented by Mr Wayne Nolland, PRD Oatley represented by Mr Dean Sperotto and Mr Joe Green, long time member of the Society. We appreciate their continued support for the Members Exhibition and the Society.

I would also like to thank the Committee and all the members and non - members who have donated their time and efforts to make the Exhibition a success. We couldn't have done it without you!

*Congratulations to all those who won an Award at the Exhibition. Our Judge, Paul McCarthy commented on the high quality of entries and said the competition was pretty stiff!*



**Section 1 entries were for Oil painted in a traditional manner or Acrylic painted as Oil.** Awards were presented by Mr Wayne Nolland of St George Masos. The Winners Award and cheque for \$500 went to Marlene Weaver for her work entitled "Afternoon Tea". The Highly Commended Award and cheque for \$200 goes to Ros Psakis for her work entitled "Get that ball fella". Unfortunately, Ros was unable to attend Opening Night to receive her award. The Commended Award and cheque for \$100 goes to Narelle Scott for work entitled "Winters Day".



**Section 2 entries were for Watercolour, Gouache, Pen & Wash.** Awards were presented by Mr Wayne Nolland of St George Masos. The Winners Award and cheque for \$500 went to Trish MacLachlan for her painting entitled "Evening Light". The Highly Commended Award and cheque for \$200 went to Jana Blasco for her painting entitled "Still Life Teapot and Orchids". The Commended Award and cheque for \$100 went to Wendy Agzarian for her painting entitled "Attention Needed".

**Section 3 entries were for Works on Paper - Original Prints, Pastel, Charcoal, Pencil, Ink, Mixed Media, Collage.** Awards were presented by Mr Wayne Nolland of St George Masos.

The Winners Award and cheque for \$500 went to Jan Schuster-Callus for her work entitled “Ageless”.



The Highly Commended Award and cheque for \$200 went to Jane Wray for her work entitled “Citrus and China”.

The Commended Award and cheque for \$100 went to Bob Gurney for his work entitled “Now that feels a little cooler”.

**Section 4 entries were for Contemporary artworks,**

Awards were presented by Mr Wayne Nolland of St George Masos. The Winners Award and cheque for \$500 went to David Lake for his work entitled “Blue and Orange”. David was unfortunately unavailable to attend the opening night.



The Highly Commended Award and cheque for \$200 goes to Marlene Weaver for her work entitled “Shane II”.

The Commended Award and cheque for \$100 goes to Shirley Hagarty for her work entitled “Balancing Trick”.

**Section 5 was the The Susanne Green Encouragement Award for \$200.**



This years winner of the Award is Elizabeth Rosevear for her work entitled “Stairway to Heaven”. Liz received her award from Joe Green, sponsor.

**Section 6 was the PRD OATLEY BEST IN SHOW AWARD**



The winner of this years PRD Oatley Best in Show and prize of \$1000 is Steve Jannar, for his work entitled “Circular Quay Wharf”. Steve received his award from Dean Sperotto of PRD Oatley.



Last but certainly not least, the Volunteers Award and prize of \$200 went to our long standing member, Michael Dunn, shown below with his painting. Judging for the Award is done by each of the Volunteers who worked at the Exhibition over the weekend.



Outside of the formalities, there were other highlights on Opening Night. We had a surprise visit from Zhi Soon, our Federal Member for Banks, shown here with the Committee.



Joy Ford, long time member chose to celebrate her 89<sup>th</sup> birthday with us on Opening Night. Joy said “where else would she rather be!”

On Saturday and Sunday, the Coffee Shop Team did a good job despite the challenges of the fancy coffee



machine and were able to make a very decent cappuccino! The scones and cream proved very popular and we had to send out twice for more scones.





The Cashier Team did a great job.  
Our thanks to Lisa, Pat's Daughter for helping out with so many tasks.



Two of our water colour painters, Trish and Tanner gave demonstrations across the week end.



The Front Desk Team letting their hair down.



Councillor Matthew Allison and Zhi Soon, Federal Member for Banks came along Saturday to check out the art work!