



January 2017

# Friends Newsletter

## Welcome

As we begin a new year I am excited to present our 2017 program and there is so much to look forward to!

If you haven't been in to see the National Photographic Portrait Prize 2016 you have until 5 February to experience the photographs and the stories behind the portraits in this brilliant display by professional and amateur photographers, images selected from over 2000 entries in the National Photographic Portrait Prize which is touring nationally from the National Portrait Gallery.

The program continues with exhibitions that encapsulate creativity in a diverse range of art forms and art practice including sculpture and paintings, photography, social history, textiles and installations, ceramics and beanies!

Hopefully you will visit and also encourage others to experience the wonderful variety of exhibitions representing local, regional and national artists whose work will be on display through the year.

Jenni Frost

## Port Pirie Regional Art Gallery

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### Opening Hours

Monday to Friday:

9am to 5pm

Weekends & Public Holidays

11am to 3pm

Christmas - New Year period:

11am to 3pm

Closed:

Good Friday & Christmas Day

### Your invited

To join us for opening drinks and official Launch of *Our Stories, Our Way, Our Mob 2015* by

Rowan Ramsey MP,  
Federal Member for Grey

Friday 10 February at 6pm.  
RSVP by Monday 6 Feb  
to 8633 0681

## Board News

The Port Pirie Regional Art Gallery welcomes new Board Members *Dylan Smith, Deb Tregilgas* and *Kevin Place* to the Gallery.

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| <i>Chairperson:</i>     | Ellie Green        |
| <i>Vice Chair:</i>      | Dylan Smith        |
| <i>Treasurer:</i>       | Deb Tregilgas      |
| <i>Asst. Treasurer:</i> | Kevin Place        |
| <i>Secretary:</i>       | Pauline Place      |
| <i>Board Members:</i>   | Dianne Patterson   |
|                         | Judy O'Shaughnessy |
|                         | Ruby Miller        |
|                         | Sandra Gurr        |

## CURRENTLY ON SHOW

Closes 5 February 2017

### 'National Photographic Portrait Prize 2016'

Selected from a national field of entries reflecting the distinctive vision of Australian's aspiring and professional portrait photographers.



## UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS

10 February – 19 March

### 'Our Stories, Our Way, Our Mob 2015'

A collection of works by SA Aboriginal artists.



24 March – 25 April

### 'Rough Medicine'

Life and Death in the Age of Sail  
SA Maritime Museum.



Check the website for upcoming workshops and events.

[www.pprag.org](http://www.pprag.org)



We value the support of our partners and sponsors

Belalie Wines

The Picture Framers

## Friends of the PPRAG

- \$30 Individual
- \$20 Individual Concession
- \$50 Household
- \$50 Corporate / Institution

Memberships expire yearly on the 30<sup>th</sup> June with reminders sent out two months prior. Payments due by July.

## Friends Benefits

Invitations to Exhibition openings and special events,  
quarterly Newsletters,  
10% Discount on Art purchases from the Gallery,  
50% discount on Art Prize entry fees,  
Discounted fees for art workshops,  
10% discount at The Picture Framers, Port Pirie,  
Opportunity to exhibit annually in the Members Exhibition and Voting at the Annual General Meeting of the Board.

## Donations

Endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as a non-profit organisation.

As a Deductible Gift Recipient donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

For a receipt please pay Gallery staff.

All donations are welcome

The Gallery appreciates our Members and their support.

## Volunteers Wanted

The Port Pirie Regional Art Gallery recognises the role of Volunteers and the valuable contribution they make to the organisation.

If you are interested in becoming a

- Volunteer,
- enjoy meeting new people,
- assisting with events and exhibitions,
- install and dismantle exhibitions,
- like to be part of a friendly group of volunteers,
- have time to spare one Saturday a month?

Contact the gallery on 8633 0681 or visit 3 Mary Elie Street, Port Pirie.

## Highlights from 2016



### Indigenous Australians at War

With a performance from the Dusty Feet Mob and a visit from the Australian Army soldiers Operation Hamel.



### Port Pirie Art Prize 2016.

Local artist Ulanda de Villias, and her artwork.



### The Gentle Arts

Felting workshop with Svetlana Clarke & daily demonstrations by the Embroiders Guild.



Performance by Matthew Fagan **Lord of the Strings** attracted a great crowd.



Artist Cedric Varcoe.

**Men of the Narungga & Ngarrindjeri** – Stories told through the brush. Teaching children how to dot paint.

**Tarpari** Aboriginal artists from the Yorke and Mid North.



### In Memory of Nita Beard.

Celebrating the life and artwork of Nita Beard.

An afternoon tea was held in her memory with husband Henry and their children in attendance.

### MOST POPULAR

The most attended Exhibition held in 2016 was

**Causes, Clubs & Concentrates**

*Brought to you by Nyrstar & Port Pirie Regional Art Gallery* with the total of **3,687** visitors.

## FROM THE VISITORS BOOK

### Cedric Varcoe

*"Good presentation of his culture and homeland"*

Michael & Shirley of Redlands QLD

*"Beautiful"*

Kiara Armstrong of Orem Utah, USA

### Tarpari

*"Wonderful"*

Tanya Dunn of Toronto, Ontario Canada

### Causes, Clubs & Concentrates

#### Nyrstar

*"A superb step down memory lane"*

N Mumford of Port Pirie SA

*"An inspiring journey for Port Pirie"*

Sonya Cousins of Crystal Brook SA

*"Sensational"*

Alison Watts of Melbourne VIC (ex Port Pirie)

### Port Pirie Art Prize

*"Inspiring"* D Shawel of Haverhill Suffolk England

*"Enjoyed the range of talent"* Helen

Gearing of Port Pirie SA

### Gentle Arts & Our Members Exhibition

*"Thoroughly enjoyable quality work"*

Margaret & Maurice of Langwarrin VIC

### National Photographical Portrait Prize

*"Lovely embodiment of life eternal"*

Karina & Charlotte of Port Pirie SA

*"Great snapshot of life in OZ"*

Tom & Flo Schulz of Wynnum West, Brisbane QLD

*"Beautiful"*

Steven Ostbye of Norway

*"A walk through life"*

Sue Scarman of Beetaloo Valley SA



## News

### Raffle Winner

Congratulations to **Jane McDougall** Winner of the Jack Absalom print. Drawn by Tabitha Runkel of the Port Pirie Regional Tourism & Arts Centre.



### Return Event!

**17 February 2017**  
**Matthew Fagan's Lord of the Strings**  
8.30pm at the **Port Football Club.**  
For Bookings contact Kellie on 0438 881 985.

