

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **3 - 27 Sep 2019:** Priya Gore from KaribuFineArt Exhibition. Fantastic animals painted in acrylic and oil.
- **7 Sep 2019** from 9.30am to 2.30pm: Fun Pastel workshop held by Shirley Learner, our Art Teacher. \$25 for members or \$35 for non-members. Bookings are required.
- **1 - 15 Oct 2019:** Alessa Nashwan Exhibition, Look at some stunning Acrylic paint landscapes.
- **18 Oct - 1 Nov 2019:** Jeanette Trefle will be back with "Heads up!" an amazing drawing and painting exhibition.
- **Nov 2019:** Glenala High School and Forest Lake High School Exhibition. Come and have a look at the fabulous Art Work of our Local High Schools students.
- **Dec 2019:** December Members Only Exhibition. A special and awaited moment for all art students of the Gallery who will have the chance to display their colourful art!

The Fun Corner...

1. Which barnyard animal is a famous painter?
2. What do you get if you cross a painter with a boxer?
3. What did Michelangelo say to the ceiling?

Source: http://www.top10-best.com/a/top_10_best_art_jokes.html
Source: <http://www.jokes4us.com/peoplejokes/painterjokes.html>

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The Geek Corner...

- A) Which of Henri Matisse's paintings was hung upside down at the Museum of Modern Art in New York for 46 days without anyone noticing?
- B) English artist Andy Brown created a portrait of Queen Elizabeth II using what?
- C) What element was removed from Leonardo da Vinci's *The Last Supper* by careless workers?

Source: http://www.usefultrivia.com/art_trivia/

Hurry! Memberships are available for only \$5 till the end of 2019!

By becoming a member you'll support us, receive the newsletter and have some fantastic workshop deals! Contact the Inala gallery for more info!

Bags: C) Jesus' feet.

1. Vincent van Gogh. 2. Muhammad Dali. 3. "I've got you covered." A) Le Bateau ("The Boat"). B) Tea

Fun and Geek Answers



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Inala Art Gallery, a little bit of history...

The gallery building was until 1997, owned by the State. It was at that time used as an office for the Housing Commission. After a while, it was transformed and hosted a cafe. In 1997, a group of people motivated by Les Bryant, at that time Brisbane City Councillor, decided to create a community place, where people could get together, around artistic and cultural activities. The "Inala Community Art Gallery and Cultural Centre" was born and a committee formed. Volunteers were progressively getting involved and classes began. Bram Eerdhuyzen and Val Webster were some of the devoted art teachers at that time. A diverse range of activities from playing music and dancing, to calligraphy, painting and also photography or clay modelling... were offered.



The local council became involved as well and after some time, a few grants were instigated. A coordinator named Petronella, was then employed. A lot was done, especially for the youth. The "Skylark Street Mural Project" is an example of a street art program developed in 2004, to improve the face of a local shopping centre. Video workshops were regularly happening and competitions with prizes, were at times organised. The Indigenous art was also often shown at the Gallery. Several artists from different parts of Queensland were from time to time displaying. "The Year of the Outback", for instance, organised in 2002, successfully depicted some great work from the Queensland farmers. Women from the Brisbane correctional centre also had a place to show their art at the Gallery. A lot of work was done, to

create a warm and welcoming space for everyone to socialize around various art making projects and exhibitions.

In 2006, the City Council purchased the premises and took over the administration of the Gallery. It continued to promote art within the community by offering a great variety of classes such as pastel, art in bark, wood carving, sculptures... Other collaborations were also established with various local partners including the local schools, the adjacent Library... to organise exhibitions. The Gallery also took part in various events and festivals such as the "Anzac and Remembrance Day" in 2012. On that same year, "Art from the Margins" was a very successful exhibition organised for the Brisbane Festival. In 2013, during the NAIDOC week and Urban Dreaming celebrations, festivities were happening inside and out the Gallery for the Brisbane Festival.

In 2018, due to a lack of funding, the days of the Gallery were numbered. Fortunately, an energetic group of friends came to its rescue. The new committee is only comprised of volunteers. Since their arrival, the gallery has been reorganised and repainted. Its new name is: "Inala Art Gallery". Councillor Charles Strunk is now the new Patron. The Gallery has continuously celebrated multiculturalism through the promotion of arts and crafts within the community. Our new committee intends to bring that mission back today and develop the Gallery activities in the days to come through various local initiatives.

Meet the happy executive committee

An inspiring story about a group of friends who took up the challenge to keep the Inala Gallery open and gather the local communities to participate in various art projects.



Anne-Marie McPhee, President. Previously a nurse, Anne-Marie had always dreamed of painting. In 2014, she joined a course at the Gallery and has been painting landscapes, ever since. She met most of her committee friends there and became involved in another painting group: “The Chapel Gardens Art Group” with them. In 2018, they all heard that the Gallery was about to close so they took it over. She’s now happy as it is neater and attracts artists from local schools to different sections of the community. “I’d love to see the Gallery have exhibitions all the time.” Anne-Marie said. She’d like to display other painters and community groups and see more teaching workshops. Her generosity is shown through her dedication to improve the Inala Gallery and serve the community.



Judith Hooper, Vice President. In 2011, after being a nurse, Judith started painting landscapes. A member of her painting group Lindsey Farrel, curator of the Inala Gallery, gave her vision of what the Gallery could be. Her painting friends motivated her to become involved. Her wish is now to see the Gallery be more multiculturally vibrant and witness everybody learn to appreciate art. “The Gallery enables people of various skills to display their art... I think it would give people the impetus that they can achieve.” She hopes that the Gallery will involve more multimedia in the future, so that different forms of art like: pottery...would develop. “Art can be sometimes frustrating, but it’s overall quite relaxing!” Judith’s positivity always makes the sun shine at the Gallery!



Jocelyn Elizabeth Clarkson, Treasurer. It was after her stockbroker Clerk’s career, that Jocelyn started painting landscapes, at “The Chapel Gardens Art Group” in 2018. She decided to become a committee member to help one of her friends out. “I hope that people could see that art is not only about painting a beautiful picture, but that it’s also about being creative, drawing on your imagination, finding skills that you didn’t think you had and that could take you ahead.”, she said. She’d like to see people learning from each other. She feels that being at the Inala Gallery is being part of a big family. She hopes that local people will find joy by practicing different forms of art and that they will be inspired. Jocelyn’s focus and mathematical mind are of an invaluable help at the Gallery!



Rowena Solomon, Secretary. Previously a counsellor, Rowena started painting landscapes in 2009 and continued with flowers and animals. Rowena was the secretary of the Gallery before, but left as she felt that no development was happening. Now surrounded by friends from other artists’ communities such as the “Chapel Gardens Artists Group” that she herself started, she hopes that there will always be exhibitions on display and more involvement from the community. “I find art very therapeutic.” Rowena said. A few years back, she wrote to many doctors of the mental health sector to try having their patients collaborate with the gallery without success. She wishes that Art could help more people towards overcoming their life challenges. Rowena’s willpower is a strong asset to the Gallery!

This year’s recent events...



Photo by M. Ming

Jan-Apr 2019: The Chapel Gardens Artists Exhibition. A wonderful and peaceful Art display from a group of retired painters and pastellists. A fantastic set of cards made by our Secretary Rowena Solomon.

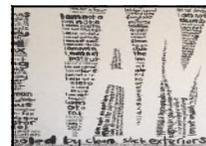


Photo by A.M. McPhee

Apr-Jun 2019: “I am” Exhibition. A great panel of artists were invited to exhibit their art work by our new curator Dr. Lindsay Farrell. The “I am” painting (left) has been created by insightful artist Andrew Bardsley.



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Jun 2019: BBQ Designs Exhibition. The QUT Industrial Design students were invited at the Gallery to share their winning Designs Project by Councillor C. Strunk, Patron of the Inala Art Gallery.



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Jul 2019: Helen Ridgway Exhibition “Softly – Something for Everyone”. A beautiful painting & wood carving exhibition made by the Thursday class’ local artists. “Reflection” (left) is a masterpiece by Ellen Simpson, a very talented student of Helen’s class.



Photo by A.M. McPhee

Jul 2019: A 2-day exhibition of art from the “Iraqi Unity Association of Queensland”. We were very pleased to welcome this stunning Exhibition from the “Iraqi Unity Association of Queensland”.



Photo by P. Ridley

Jul 2019: Workshop led by M. Ridley, Visual artist. Mandy taught some of the Gallery students how to find patterns and manipulate them to create mosaics and designs. A banner was made and exhibited during the August Biota St Festival, in Inala.



Photo by N. Gnana

Aug 2019: Glenala State High School Exhibition. Natasha Milavanovic, Senior Visual Artist, shared with us the work of her students. The adjacent painting named “Broken Angel” is an art piece of Jennifer Ngo, a year 12 student of Glenala High School, Inala.

If you would like to hold your own exhibition at the Inala Art Gallery, don’t hesitate to contact us!