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ARTS PROJECT AUSTRALIA



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Latest News



Therese Rein with artists from the studio



Heidi Victoria MLA Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier & Assisting the Premier with the Arts with artists in the studio



Peter Fay (centre) with Dr. Cheryl Daye (left) and Sally Shrimpton (right) also life members of Arts Project Australia

The Year That Was!

It's been a bumper year for Arts Project Australia. Not only have over 100 artists created artwork in our unique studio program each week, we have also mounted 9 eclectic exhibitions in our Northcote gallery. But that's not all! Highlights of 2012 have included:

- Hosting *Good Strong Powerful*, a magnificent exhibition of indigenous artworks from the NT
- Our much admired stand at the Melbourne Art Fair "bringing new supporters, collectors and friends
- A huge retrospective of the work by Valerio Ciccone, together with the second in the Leonard Joel series of catalogues
- Artist Patrick Francis winning one of four Art & Australia / Credit Suisse Private Banking Contemporary Art Awards for 2012
- Studio portrait sittings by Therese Rein (shown left), Mick Harvey, Laura Trevor and Fiona Corke
- Exhibitions held at Craft, C3 (Abbotsford Convent), and the Substation
- Replacing our gallery lights with LED and seeing significant savings in our power bills
- Seeing our new Digital Media Program embraced enthusiastically by so many artists
- Welcoming Parliamentary Secretaries, Heidi Victoria and Senator Jan McLucas to Arts Project Australia
- Winning the AbaF City of Melbourne SME Partnering Award with our wonderful partner Leonard Joel

New Life Member to Arts Project Australia

We're thrilled to announce Peter Fay was recently awarded Life Membership of Arts Project Australia at this year's Annual General Meeting. This was in recognition and appreciation of his outstanding contribution to Arts Project Australia. Collector, artist, curator, networker and indefatigable supporter, Peter Fay's insight and generosity have enriched the artists and the organisation, and the Australian art world in general. Congratulations Peter!



Cathy Staughton

Not titled 2011
acrylic on canvas
87 x 87cm



Valerio Ciccone
Not titled (after Holbein) 1991
pastel on paper
50 x 66cm

Become an Angel for Arts Project Australia

We want to wish all our friends a very Merry Christmas and hope that all your dreams come true! and invite you to become an Arts Project Angel this Christmas and help the dreams of an artist come true in 2013. By making a donation you can support our art program to purchase the quality materials we need for our artists' fine work. Here are some of the ways a donation will help us:

\$10.00 will keep our pencil box full

\$20.00 will ensure the gouache keeps flowing

\$50.00 stocks all the colours we need in pastels

\$100.00 means the earth to us "€" for clay for ceramics

\$500.00 gives us enough brushes for the whole year

THANKS!

Donors and supporters make our continued success possible, and help provide tremendous opportunities for our artists. Special thanks goes out to the following for their support in 2012:

- Gandel Philanthropy for supporting our participation in the Melbourne Art Fair
- ANZ Trustees and Bendigo Bank for supporting the first year of our new Digital Media Program
- Leonard Joel for the magnificent *Peripheral Observer*, the catalogue which supported the Valerio Ciccone retrospective
- ARA Consultants and the Amelia Eliza Holland Trust, whose continued financial support is greatly appreciated
- artwhatson for generous free membership to their dynamic on-line enews that delivers a weekly snapshot of what's happening in Australian art.
- The many volunteers that from week to week and at exhibition openings assist, contribute to and enrich our organisation.
- We would also like to thank all those individuals whose financial gifts and in kind support assist us in our work and in our pursuit of excellence. If you would like to make a tax deductible gift to Arts Project to help support our artists, please [CLICK HERE](#).

Upcoming Events

Annual Gala Exhibition - Opens this Saturday

1 December - 17 December 2012
Arts Project Australia

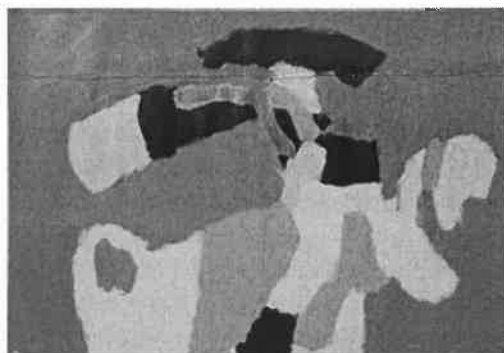


Michael Trasancos
Not titled 2011
 acrylic on paper
 38 x 28.5cm

Exhibition Opening: Saturday 1 December from 3-5pm

Arts Project Australia's Annual Gala Exhibition will feature a broad survey of artwork by more than 100 artists currently participating in the studio program. The Gala celebrates the achievements of our artists and acknowledges their unique contribution to contemporary art.

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Patrick Francis
Not titled (Napoleon) 2012
 acrylic on paper
 50 x 70cm

Art & Australia Collection 2003 - 2013

8 December 2012 - 17 February 2013
 Newcastle Art Gallery

Two stunning artworks by Patrick Francis which are part of Art & Australia's collection will be shown in an exhibition in partnership with Newcastle Art Gallery, ART & AUSTRALIA COLLECTION 2003 -2013. The exhibition will tour nationally in 2013 -2014.



Wendy Dawson
Not titled 2010
 acrylic and felt pen on paper
 28 x 38cm

Unique Festive gifts from Arts Project Australia

Get ready for the fast approaching festive season with beautiful Arts Project Australia Christmas cards, and for a unique and inexpensive gift consider a 2013 Desk calendar. Arts Project Australia artworks make stunning Christmas gifts and can also be purchased from our website (such as the beautiful Wendy Dawson artwork shown left) or our stockroom via appointment.



Cathy Staughton
Luna Park Sydney 2012
acrylic on canvas
35 x 35cm

Belle Arti Prize 2012

12 December 2012 - 26 January 2013
Chapman & Bailey Gallery, 350 Johnson Street
Abbotsford Vic

Exhibition Opening: Wednesday 12 December, 6-8pm

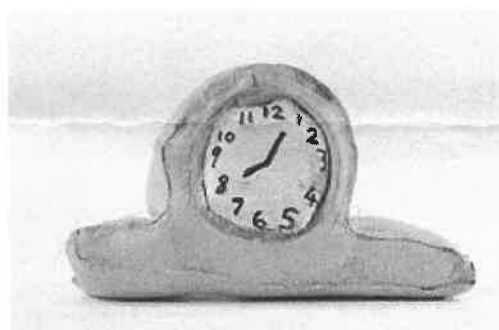
Seven Arts Project Australia artists will be participating in this year's annual Belle Arti Prize presented by Chapman & Bailey. Each artist presents a work on a 35 x 35cm canvas. Hundreds of artists across Australia enter this prize each year, the result being a floor to ceiling contemporary salon hang.

The award is a \$5000 acquisitive prize.

Participating Arts Project Australia artists:

John Bates, Michael Camakaris, Dionne Canzano, Paul Hodges,

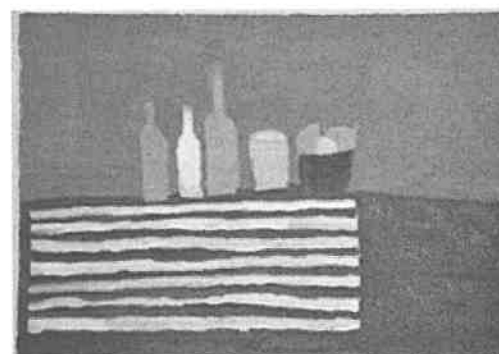
Rebecca Scibilia, Cathy Staughton, and Fiona Taylor



Terry Williams
Not titled 2011
vinyl, cotton, texta and stuffing
12.5 x 21 x 6cm

In Brief: Upcoming Exhibitions Early 2013

The beginning of 2013 promises to be an exciting one with Terry Williams' site specific installation to be part of *Magic Mountain*, at Craft in January. In February Arts Project Australia will host a stunning solo show of work by Anne Lynch as well as a group show *Walking the Line* curated by Gallery assistant Melissa Petty. As previously mentioned two exceptional artworks by Patrick Francis will feature in ART & AUSTRALIA COLLECTION 2003 - 2013 in collaboration with Newcastle Art Gallery. Five Arts Project Australia artists will also feature in next years Linden Postcard Show opening early February. Details about these exhibitions and more will be included in the Jan 2013 enews so stay tuned!



Matthew Gove
Not titled 2012
acrylic on paper
28 x 38.5cm

Save the Date - Arts Project Fundraising Dinner March 2013

Thursday 14 March 2013, 7 -11pm

Arts Project Australia

In March 2013, Arts Project Australia will host a very special fundraising dinner *Dining with Art* in our gallery. This one-off event will coincide with the Melbourne Food and Wine festival and food themed exhibition *At the Table*, curated by Emiko Davies. Current supporters for this event are Merricote, 3sidedsquare, Third Drawer Down, Fowlers Flowers, Melbourne Community Farmers' Markets, Glenn Tebble Homewares and Carlei Wines. More news to come next year but save the date for Thursday 14 March 2013, 7-11pm for an incredible gastronomic evening.

Arts Project Australia Holiday Closure



Malcolm Sturrock
Palm trees on a beach 2010
 acrylic on canvas
 20.5 x 25.5cm

Arts Project Australia Gallery will be closed from Tuesday 18 December 2012 and will reopen with the opening of *Walking the Line* and *Anne Lynch Solo* on Saturday 9 February 2013.

The office will be closed from 21 December 2012 until Monday 14 January 2013. We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy festive season and we look forward to welcoming you back to Arts Project Australia in the New Year.



Support Us

Arts Project Australia is a not-for-profit organisation and has been promoting and developing the work of artists with an intellectual disability for 38 years. Your donations assist us in continuing our work and making a difference.

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