



FRIENDS OF THE HIGHWAY GALLERY

Newsletter - February, 2018 Convenor: Marie Donald

Message from the Convenor

Here we are at the start of another year of interesting and diverse exhibitions. Best wishes to you all for a happy and healthy year ahead. As time goes on people come and go, I would like to welcome new members who joined us late in 2017 and trust you will enjoy your association with this vibrant Community Gallery. At our first Coffee Morning for the year we will be saying farewell to one of our long-serving members, Val Cotton, who is moving to a more distant suburb to assist family in a time of illness.

The 2018 Membership Renewal form is included with this mailing. Please use the envelope provided to mail or deliver your membership. Renewing Membership automatically gives you membership to HG Inc.

Friends' Coffee Mornings

1st Monday of each month 10:30 am to 11:30 am

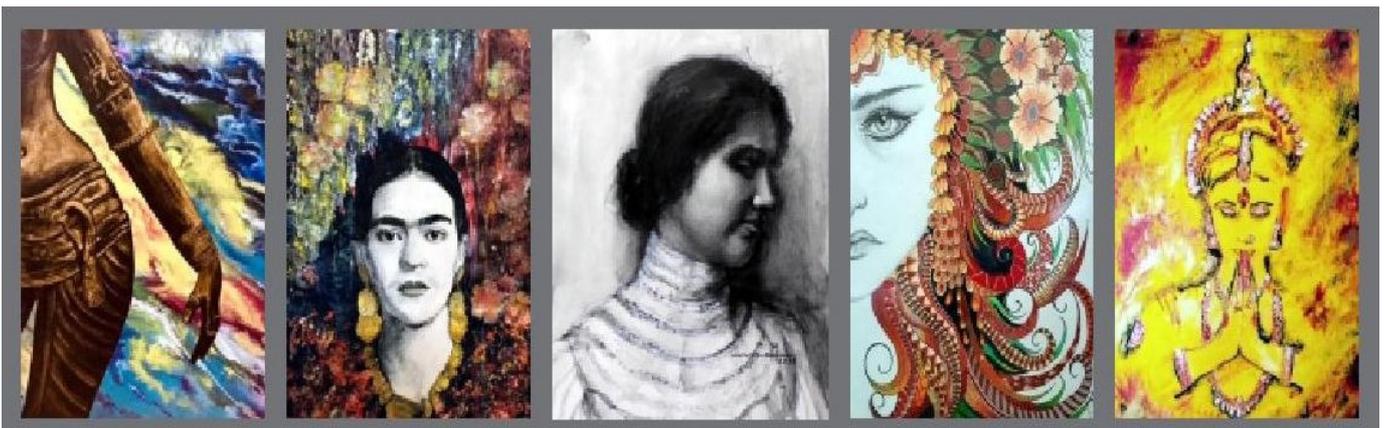
Report of Monday December 4 - Christmas Lunch Speaker: Anne Catchpole - Melbourne based representative for Cottage by the Sea

We were delighted to welcome Anne Catchpole to the lunch to speak about the Cottage where children in need have been given a holiday at Queenscliff dating back to 1890, yes not a typo the Cottage is now in its 128th year. Thank you to all for the many gifts brought to the Christmas Lunch for the children.

Here is a *comment* from a note of acknowledgement from Anne Catchpole:

"I would like to thank you all sincerely, for the opportunity to speak to the members and collect wonderful donations (financial and in kind) at your end of year Christmas celebration. In 2017 more than 1200 children had a holiday at the cottage - 221 are being brought up by grandparents, 50 from special schools and 128 young indigenous children were given the opportunity through Cathy Freeman's Foundation.

Monday Feb 5 - Pratibha will talk about "Celebrating Women" our first Exhibition for 2018 to commence Feb 21. Details next page



🌸 Current and Forthcoming Exhibitions and Events

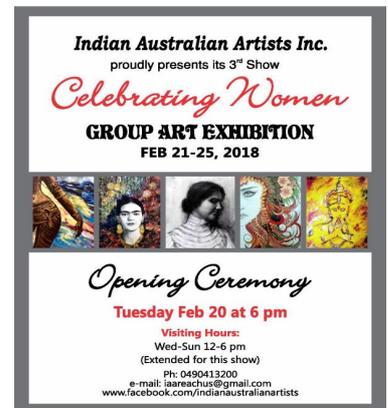
🌸 These 4 Exhibitions will start 2018 off at The Highway Gallery

"Celebrating Women" IAA Exhibition

**February 21 to 25,
at The Highway Gallery**

To celebrate womanhood, by a group of professional and emerging Indian artists living in Australia. Bringing together various contemporary and traditional art styles

All are welcome to attend the Opening of "**Celebrating Women**" on Tuesday February 20 at 6pm





"The Black Dog"

February 28 to Mar 11

Art of Amaroo Neighbourhood Centre clients

This exhibition explores what it is like to live under the shadows of anxiety and depression, and showcases the use of creativity as a powerful tool for recovery.

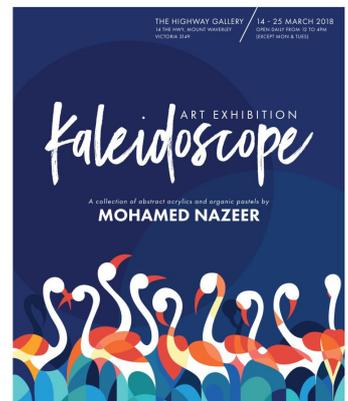
"Kaleidoscope"

March 14 to 25

A solo exhibition by **Mohamed Nazeer** inspired by exotic textures and vibrant hues of the world.

Mohamed's exhibition will showcase an array of acrylic and pastel artworks. Mohamed, a Mount Waverley resident, taught himself to paint after retiring from his engineering career.

He now also runs a home based Picture Framing business whilst keeping up with his art work as a hobby



"Hidden Treasures" Oak Towers Aged Care residents **April 4 to 15**

We will be treated to a variety of creative works from these Senior Citizens residing at Oak Towers Aged Care centre in Oakleigh. A variety of work will be on display in the visual and performing arts categories. More details in your next NLRs.

 **Exhibitions, presently showing, at similar Council Community Venues as our Gallery**

Whitehorse Artspace

1022 Whitehorse Road Box Hill VIC 3128 www.boxhilltownhall.com.au

Echoes of Nature:

The art of Echo Wu

Echo teaches the Brush Painting technique to people of all ages and their work is regularly exhibited at The Highway Gallery.

It is no secret that Chinese brush painters respect and adore the natural world from the smallest of insects to the most towering mountain. While the mountains, rivers and fields of the natural world appear to flow seamlessly onto the Chinese artist's delicate rice paper, nature also flows effortlessly into the very being of the painter – they become as one.



2016, Chinese brush painting by Echo Wu

Maroondah Access Gallery

Maroondah Access Gallery offers constantly changing exhibitions with a community focus. Artists are encouraged to deliver activities and events of relevance to the local community.

Maroondah Access Gallery at the Maroondah Federation Centre, 32 Greenwood Ave, Ringwood

Opening hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm, (Closed weekends and public holidays)



"Maroondah's Bushland Treasures"

An exhibition by botanical Illustrator Ruth Jackson running from Friday 19 January to Friday 9 March 2018.

The Highway Gallery, 14 The Highway, Mount Waverley 3149

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<https://www.facebook.com/TheHighwayGallery/> NB TheHighwayGallery without hyphens

Opening times - Wednesday to Sunday 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm or by arrangement

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