



President Jim West

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – MARCH 2021**

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Dear Members,

After a very difficult 2020, it is good to feel that we are in a position to start enjoying our SGAS Activities once again. The committee kept things going as best we could over the past 12 months and I appreciate all the support from members, whether they were able to attend those activities or not.

Now it is time to look forward to a bright 2021 – and beyond!

In February we had a very interesting talk by Past President and Life Member Joe Green, on the History of SGAS, together with fascinating photos, artworks and videos of those artists who have gone before us. By the time this newsletter is published we will also have had a look in the other direction – at a vision of SGAS in the future.

Both are important! To appreciate the people and events that shaped the SGAS of today and to look ahead to see how we can adapt to modern technology, evolving art techniques and styles and communication through social media.

February has been a steady re-start, giving us a chance to catch up with our art and our friends. It has been a reflective month certainly, but an important chance to look at who we are and where we are going. Now, in March, we get back to our regular activities including Critique, Demo and Workshop.

DAY	DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	TIME
Tuesday	March 2	SketchAbility	Kogarah School of Arts	2.00pm
Thursday	March 4	MEMBERS' CRITIQUE	GR 16ft Sailing Club	6.45pm
Sunday	March 7	PLEIN AIR	TBA	8.00am
Tuesday	March 9	SketchAbility	Kogarah School of Arts	2.00pm
Thursday	March 11	LIFE-DRAWING	Kogarah School of Arts	6.30pm
Sat/Sun	March 13,14	WORKSHOP	Caringbah Studio	10.30am-1.00pm
Tuesday	March 16	SketchAbility	Kogarah School of Arts	2.00pm
Thursday	March 18	DEMONSTRATION	Kogarah School of Arts	6.45pm
Saturday	March 20	Gallery visit to ART EXPRESS	HAZELHURST-GYMEA	TBA
Tuesday	March 23	SketchAbility	Kogarah School of Arts	2.00pm
Thursday	March 25	LIFE-DRAWING	Kogarah School of Arts	10am
Thursday	March 25	BRUSH & BUBBLES— ART Group	GR 16ft Sailing Club	6.45pm
Tuesday	March 30	SketchAbility	Kogarah School of Arts	2.00pm

## February Events

Social distancing requirements at Georges River 16ft Sailing Club to be observed. T: 9529 3000

This month artist **Dario Falzon** will conduct both the Critique and the Demonstration.

### MEMBERS' Critique MARCH 4th @ 6:45 pm

Georges River 16 ft Sailing Club Sanoni Avenue, Sans Souci 2219

Contact Jim if you wish to have dinner beforehand.

#### MEMBERS...

Please bring along 1 or 2 of your recent paintings to be critiqued.

### DEMONSTRATION of OIL Painting by DARIO FALZON

THURSDAY 18TH MARCH at KOGARAH SCHOOL OF ARTS 6.45PM

\$8 Members, \$10 Visitors...light refreshments to follow



**DARIO FALZON** A.R.A.S. (b. 1979)

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Currently lives and works in Sydney, Australia

I was born in Bogota, Colombia, 1979 and grew up in Western Sydney, primarily around the Hawkesbury area.

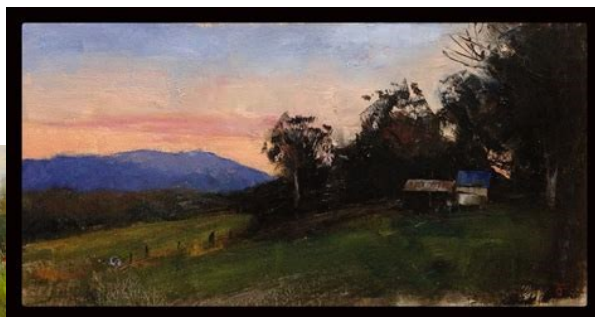
In my late twenties I enrolled in Julian Ashton Art School on a part-time basis. It was around this point in time that I began to fully appreciate my interest in landscape painting and I sought out specific artists and workshops that could help me develop my skills, learning from respected Australian artists such as Kasey Sealy and Todd Whisson.

In 2016 I was fortunate to become an international brand ambassador for Michael Harding Paints, accompanying them to the Plein Air Convention in Tucson, Arizona. While there I was enrolled as a faculty member and gave a demonstration of my painting technique.

I have exhibited in group shows and national art prizes such as the annual Camberwell Art Show and Victor Harbor Rotary club show, where I was awarded a bronze award in 2016. I was also a finalist in the prestigious 2016 Len Fox Art Award, a biennial art award show held by the Castlemaine Art Museum in Victoria, Australia.

My work has been published in Australian Artist Magazine, Art/Edit Magazine and the Rosemary & Co Artist Brushes newsletter.

I am an Associate member of the Royal Art Society of NSW and is a brand ambassador for Michael Harding Paints - <http://www.michaelharding.co.uk/>



## DENISE KASSIS... 2 day textured workshop

@ Denise's home studio Caringbah

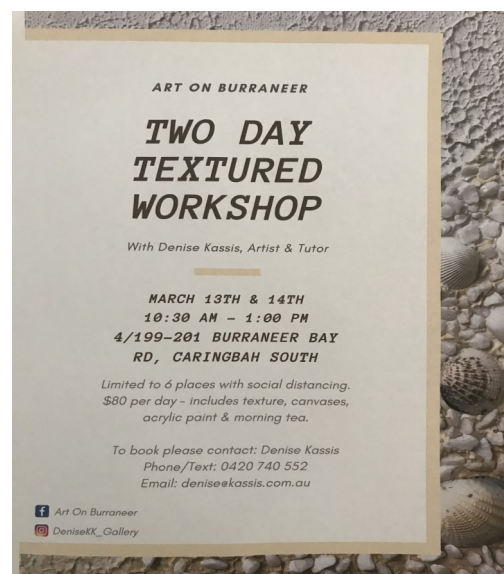
Saturday 13th March & Sunday 14th March



St George member Denise is offering a special 2-day textured workshop at her home studio in Caringbah.

There are only 6 spots available...book in to reserve your place.

Details—Mobile: 0420 740 552 phone/text



## GALLERY VISIT

...expressions of interest

for a group visit to the ART EXPRESS exhibition at Hazelhurst Regional Gallery. Lunch or Morning Tea is an option. The Gallery opens at 10am and closes at 4pm.

Located close to Gymea railway station. Parking available. Entry via the carpark on the Kingsway.

### LIFE-DRAWING

@ KOGARAH SCHOOL OF ARTS

Thursday... evenings from 6.30pm  
11th March

Thursday... morning from 10am to  
12 noon 25th March

### DON'S ART ACTIVITIES

Sketch-Ability ... MARCH 2021

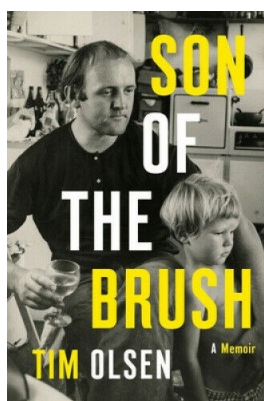
Tuesdays...2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

2pm at Kogarah School of Arts

PLEIN AIR ...from 8am SUNDAY 7TH MARCH  
Venue to be advised...wait for the email or text Don

ENQUIRIES—Text Don at 0427 472 237

### BOOK REVIEW ... by Don



**Son Of The Brush** by Tim Olsen is his fascinating, candid memoir of what it was like to grow up in the shadow of artistic genius, with all its wonder, excitement and bitter disappointments.

A 485 page vivid insight into the Australian art scene and a poignant and honest reflection on the highs and lows of an extraordinary family life. Tim Olsen's memoir is absolutely riveting.

Tim is the son of celebrated artist John Olsen, arguably Australia's greatest living artist. Tim draws a fascinating account of life in the art world from mid last century. This is a great read where you get to meet most of the world's top creative artists, with notes on their life styles as well as their artworks.

Full of quotable content...eg... *"It is worse to be ruined by praise than destroyed by criticism"* ...Son of the Brush is about the wider world of art, artists and the joy, inspiration, and sacrifices of the of the creative life. Available to borrow from Hurstville Library

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## TUITION

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Ramsgate Life Saving Hall,

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Wed. 10.30 - 1.00pm \$30

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Syd Frost Mem. Hall, Hawthorne St. RAMSGATE

Wed. 10.30-2.30pm.

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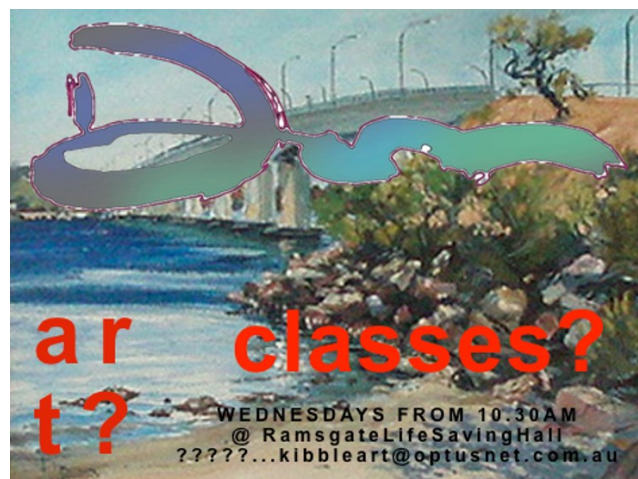
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**art classes?**

WEDNESDAYS FROM 10.30AM  
@ RamsgateLifeSavingHall  
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