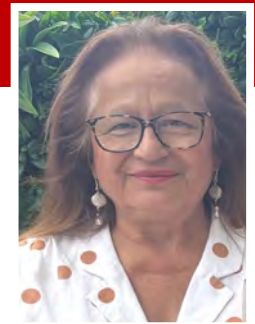




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AUGUST 2026



President
Jan Schuster-Callus

From the PRESIDENT'S desk

Well July has ended and events for the month were very successful. The Critique and Demonstration artist was Mr. Jack Wu whose knowledge at critique and expertise using charcoal at the Demonstration, was very inspiring and certainly showed what an interesting medium charcoal is and what great results can be achieved. The other activities for the month were very successful and interesting, commencing with Sketchability, then Critique, Artability, Portraiture, Demonstration, Life Drawing and Watercolour. It is a pity that more members do not take advantage of these opportunities to expand their knowledge and support our Society.

A reminder that our Annual Art Show is scheduled for the first weekend in November, so for those members intending to enter, it might be time to start thinking about what Masterpiece to enter.

Our Annual General Meeting is also to be held on Thursday, 19th November, 2026, so please keep that in mind as well.

Sadly, our President Jan Schuster-Callus and her husband, John Callus, lost John's Mother, Hilda, on Saturday, 1st August, 2026. Sincere sympathies to John, Jan and all the family on their loss. Rest in Peace.

THIS MONTHS DEMONSTRATION

WATERCOLOUR

By Josefia Lemon

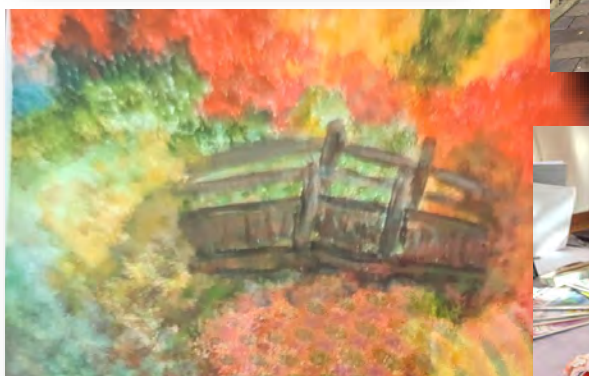
**Josefia will be doing a Watercolour Demonstration
at Kogarah School of Arts Kogarah at 6.30pm**

AUGUST 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DAY:	DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	TIME	GUEST ARTIST/ CO-ORDINATOR
TUESDAY	4 TH AUGUST	SKETCHABITLY	KOGARAH	2.00PM	DON & JILLIAN
THURSDAY	6 TH AUGUST	CRITIQUE	RAMSGATE	6.30PM	JAN SCHUSTER-CALLUS
TUESDAY	11 TH AUGUST	ARTABILITY	KOGARAH	2.00PM	ANGELA ILIADIS
THURSDAY	13 TH AUGUST	PORTRAITURE	KOGARAH	6.30PM	JILLIAN JESSEN
TUESDAY	18 TH AUGUST	ARTABILITY	KOGARAH	2.00PM	ANGELA ILIADIS
THURSDAY	20 TH AUGUST	DEMONSTRATION	KOGARAH	6.30PM	JOSEFIA LEMON
TUESDAY	25 TH AUGUST	SKETCHABILITY	KOGARAH	2.00PM	DON & JILLIAN
THURSDAY	27 TH AUGUST	LIFE DRAWING	KOGARAH	10.00AM	JAN SCHUSTER-CALLUS
THURSDAY	27 TH AUGUST	WATERCOLOUR	RAMSGATE	6.00PM	TRISH MACLACHLAN
SATURDAY	29 TH AUGUST	MORNING TEA	SANS SOUCI	10.00AM	MIRNA GAMBOA



Everyone worked on their own projects with feedback given by Angela ILIADIS as requested. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with laughter and joy!



Morning Tea

Morning Tea is at Bay Breeze
Café, downstairs at the
**St George Motor Boat
Club**
**Saturday 29th August
at 10am**

Pease advise Mirna
0431829900

if would like to
join us.



Wednesday Morning Art Class

By Angela Iliadis

**St George Creative Art and Craft
Centre (Old Pole Depot).**

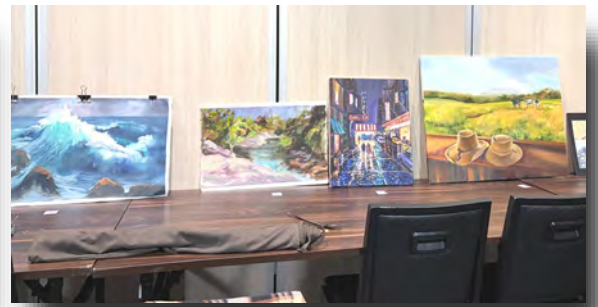
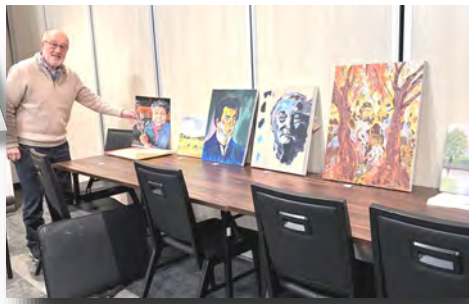
**The class runs for 10 weeks per the
NSW school terms dates.**



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All inquiries should be made to me directly and not to the centre.

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Jack Wu, our guest judge and critique artist gave another informative and interesting insight to our monthly group.

Jim West was our 'Winner' with his very touching painting of an ANZAC soldier.

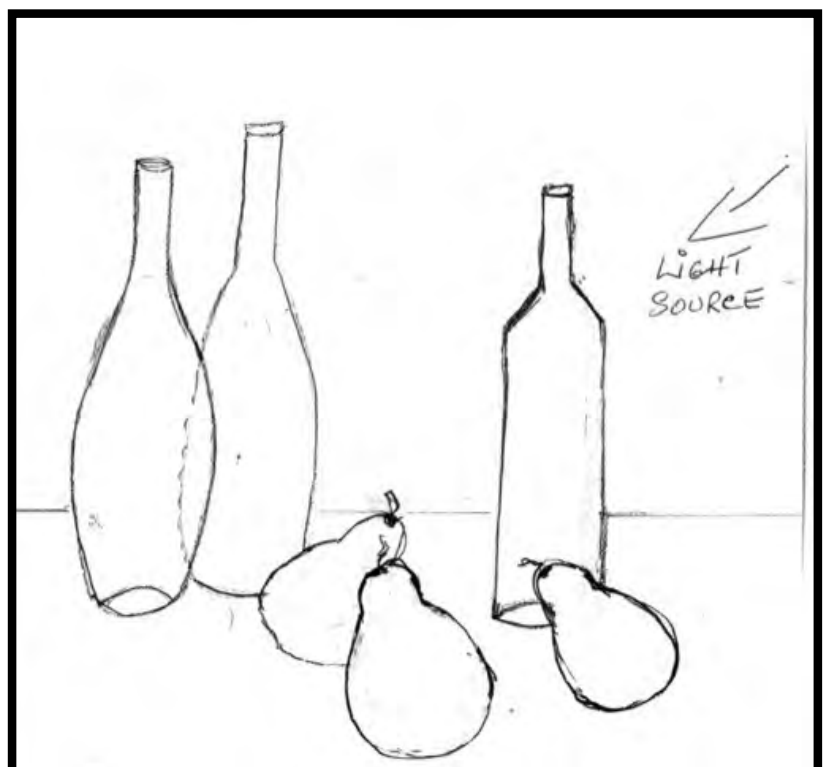
"People's Choice" was Mick Brimmer and his colourful 'Chelsea Hotel'. A good turnout with, again, some wonderful artworks



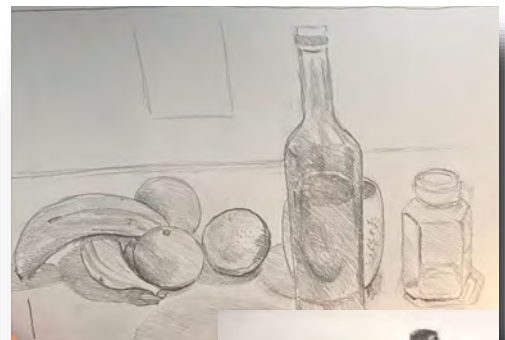
MONTHLY "HOMEWORK CHALLENGE" Sketch

'The Challenge' for August is a simple study of bottles and pears. The intention is to choose colours, reflections and shading with the Light Source coming from the top right hand side as indicated. As usual, any size, medium or surface can be used and it's up to your own interpretation of these items. Looking forward to see what masterpieces are created. Have fun and enjoy. Remember to bring your Masterpiece to Critique at Ramsgate RSL on 3rd September, from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm where the lucky Winner for August, will be selected.

JILLIAN.



Sketchability



Sketchability for July, was a great success with some really good work being produced by all present. It is always so interesting to see how each artist approaches a particular subject and the results obtained. On the last Tuesday, Jillian introduced a different approach to sketching using wax candle and inks. Everyone enjoyed the technique and did some really good sketches. Please join us the first and last Tuesday of the month from 2 pm to 4 pm at the School of Arts, if sketching appeals to you and learn some new skills with like minded people. *Jillian and Don.*

July Demonstration by Jack Wu

Our Thursday evening demonstration at the Kogarah School of Arts was once again inspiring. Award winning Artist, Fangmin (Jack) Wu demonstrated the art of very skilled mark making with charcoal. Jack, a member of St George Art Society, exhibits world wide and has mastered many mediums including oils, acrylic and watercolour. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.



Morning Tea

Our monthly morning tea took place on Saturday 24 of July despite the cold, although the lovely sun and the friendly atmosphere kept us warm. There was, as usual, a good opportunity to share life experiences, new traveling plans and expectations.



THIS MONTHS DEMONSTRATION

By Josefia Lemon

Josefia is a Sydney artist whose work has been displayed in group exhibitions in Australia, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan and China. She has been inspired by the natural surroundings in Sydney and rural landscapes found on her trips. In the early 1990s, her first workshop at the Mitchell School of Creative Arts was instrumental in her

decision to pursue a new career in art. After enrolling at the Julian Ashton Art School in 1996, she was awarded the Thea Proctor Scholarship and completed a Diploma of Fine Art in 1999. Josefia has won many awards for her work. Josefia was elected a member of the AWI in 2004 and a member of the AWI Executive Committee since then.

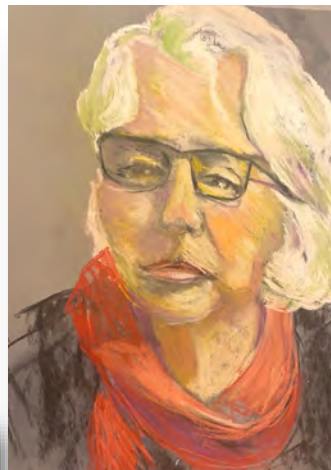


She taught watercolour classes & workshops, particularly at the Julian Ashton Art School prior to the pandemic. Now Josefia is teaching her own classes online and face to face.

She has been teaching workshops, by invitation, for different art societies as well.

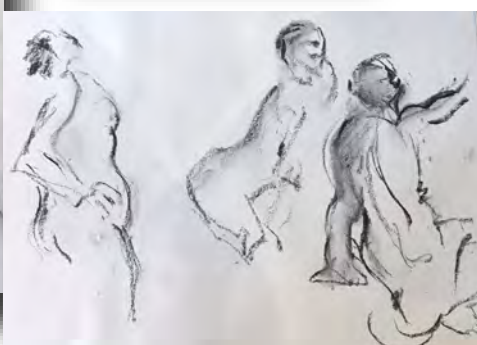
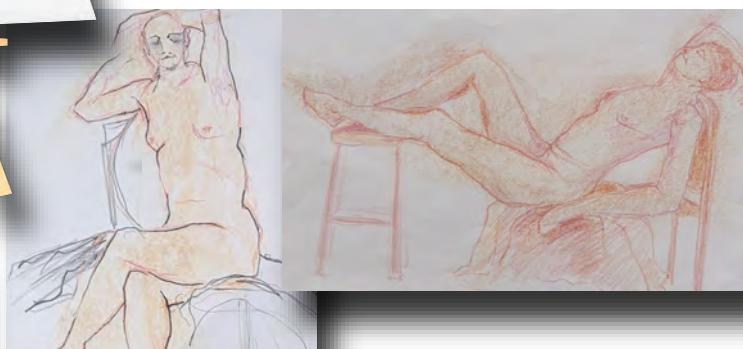
Portraiture for July, was so good with our own Laura as the model for the evening. The sketches and paintings done by those present using different media was so interesting and good. It is a little disappointing that more members do not take the opportunity to join in and support portraiture. If any member would like to start, guidance and help is always available.

For the month of August, Jim West, who has been our President, will be our male model. Jim has a very interesting appearance and will be a very good subject. Again, I hope members will take this opportunity on Thursday, 13th August, 2026, from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm, to attend and practice their skills at Portraiture.





Some classic posing with one of our favourite models, some old jazz music, it was such a fun, relaxed morning turning out some beautiful drawings.



If you are exhibiting, or won an award, please let us know. We would love to promote your artistic adventure.

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HOMework CHALLENGE WINNER



Our first 'Monthly Challenge' was won by Gracie Fernandez. Who also won 'People's Choice' Critique Night last month with this lovely watercolour.



In this week's painting we paid particular attention to the aerial or atmospheric perspective. We need to create the illusion of depth in our paintings not just through changes in detail and scale, but also in colour. Distant hills, trees etc need to fade to lighter cooler blues, by using more cobalt in a green mix.

PASTEL WORKSHOP

With JANE WRAY

Saturday 19th September



Making Poppies Pop!

**Held at Carss Park
Lifesaving Hall
103 Carwar Ave
Carss Park.**



This soft pastels workshop is an exploration of florals using the poppy as the focus. It involves the use of complementary colours to develop a subject and highlight important elements as well as the subtleties of blending to construct composition including the background.

Participants will learn to use sanded paper and simple, readily available tools to develop shape and tonal effects.

\$90 per person (members) \$100 per person (non members)

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