

Portland CEMA Inc. - Council for the Encouragement of Music and the Arts

Newsletter - October 2007

President's Report

It's time to draw breath after "another" busy arts week in Portland. I thoroughly enjoyed the performance of "Visiting Mr Green" on Tuesday night, and was a times almost brought to "tears" with the sensitive interpretations of classical pieces on Vibraphone and piano by Nick Parnell on Friday night.

Tucked in between those gems was a CEMA executive meeting, and two update meetings with Karl, Heather and Nikki Adams on Arts Company programs business!

Saturday's Family Music sessions with Jon Madin and his Wacky Instruments were a great success. Lots of imaginative play and laughter was the order of the day. People are really finding out about the Arts Company and the Arts scene in Portland by these new workshops, and getting together and having fun! We are grateful to Portland Aluminium, Glenelg Shire and Dept of Communities for supporting our venture.

The CEMA costume dept was in big demand for a members "Flower Power" party, and we know that Tanya Logan is working far beyond the call of duty to make costumes accessible to schools, and members of the community. It is a great service, and an example of "recycling" at its best!

Thanks to June Roberts for updating our contact lists.

I was happy to speak at a farewell for Sue Podger, Rob Hocking, and Ryan, Emma, Grace, and Avril on Sunday morning at the Uniting Church. We have enjoyed our "Arts" journey with this talented family and wish them well in their move to Queensland. I am pleased they discovered CEMA and made us part of their busy life in Portland.

Please endeavour to support other groups in their pursuits, and keep in touch through the executive meeting on the **THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH 7.30 pm.**

Jan Colliver (President)

Membership Secretary's Report

Please Note: Unfinancial members will not receive the October newsletter unless their memberships are paid before the next executive meeting on the 18th October. Most convenors were recently provided with a list of financial members in their groups. Hopefully this has been of some assistance.

Bill & Bev Martin (Membership Secretaries)

THE ARTS COMPANY

Arts Program Coordinator

The Committee of Management would like to welcome Nikki Adams as our New Arts Program Coordinator. Nikki will be based at the Arts Co on Wed mornings, and all day Thursday and Friday's.

Her role for the next 5 months is to promote and run the workshops that are being held between now and December, and to organise workshops/introductory classes for early next year.

If you have any contacts or ideas for workshop/classes etc please make yourself known to Nikki.

Nikki's role does not involve any of the day to day running or organising of the volunteers at The Arts Company, it is primarily to organise workshops along with promoting The Arts Company and June Hedditch Studios.

Help still needed!

We are still short of volunteers for at least one session per week. If anyone can manage any extra time per month, it would be greatly appreciated.

Open Day

Our annual open day / "come and try" day will be held on Thursday, November 29th.

\$5 morning tea (available all day) open from 10 am - 4 pm & 6 pm - 8 pm. This year we are trialing an open hours in the evening for people who are unable to make it during the day. This will also be our launch for our Christmas trading, so groups / individuals please try to have your Christmas stock in the shop for this day.

Heather Clark (President)



Nikki Adams - Arts Program Coordinator

ARTS COMPANY 2 PAID POSITIONS

Cleaner

Currently we have a vacancy for a Cleaner and/or Meet and Greet position for the June Hedditch Apartments and cleaning for The Arts Company, galleries/amenities.

The JHS is an as required (on call) basis and The Arts Company is for 9 hrs per month.

Bookkeeper

From early November our current bookkeeper Maria Christie will be retiring. This position is for 5 hours per week plus reporting to the committee of management meeting each month. The position requires the banking, recording of sales and payment of accounts. Bookkeeping skills with knowledge of quickbooks and budgeting would be an advantage.

For more information on either the Cleaning or Bookkeeping position please contact myself (Heather) .

Please address applications to;

The Cleaners Position or The Bookkeeping Position
Attn: Heather Clark
The Arts Company
19 Julia St.
Portland, 3305

Applications for both positions close on Monday, 8th October.

PORTLAND FILM SOCIETY

present:

The Illusionist

Neil Burger, 2007

Starring: Edward Norton, Paul Giamatti, Jessica Biel,
Rufus Sewell

A magician in turn-of-the-last-century Vienna falls in love with a woman well above his social standing. When she becomes engaged to the crown prince, the magician uses his powers to free her and undermine the stability of the royal house of Vienna.

Portland Arts Centre

Admission Free

Saturday, 13th October 7.30 pm



Choral Group

On Monday, 24th of September we farewelled our wonderful accompanist of the last 4 years: Sue Podger, who is relocating with her family to Queensland. With her excellent sight reading, sensitive playing and positive attitude she will be sorely missed.

We wish her, and her family. all the very best in the next stage of their lives.

Warren Mars (Bass)



Conductor June Roberts, presents departing Accompanist Sue Podger with some framed Portland memorabilia.

Fibre Group

We continue to meet every Thursday from 10:30 am - 2:30 pm.

All members are saddened at the sudden death of Nadine Anderson. She is missed a great deal.

The Maryborough Knitters & Weavers are running the Sharing Day at Hall's Gap this year. 7 of our members will attend.

We would welcome new members.

Josephine Koch (Secretary)

ARTISTS' SOCIETY

On the 8th of September a workshop was held in our rooms at the Arts Company, with Ian Senior from War-nambool, on acrylics. 10 Artists had an informative and enjoyable day.

Further workshops will be organised later this year, call into the Arts Company to see what is happening.

At present members are working on a large collaborative piece featuring various aspects of Portland.

Betty Trewavis (Convenor)

S.H.I.Ps & OTHERS

Print Exhibition

Bronwyn Mibus & Therese Dolman exhibit a variety of printing techniques. dry-point, screen printing, mono-type & others. This is a combination exhibition with themes from the Portland Harbour to the Southern Ocean & beyond.

August 31st to September 30th

at the Portland Bay Press
Julia St

FILM SOCIETY

On Saturday 13th October at 7.30 pm the Film society will present a free screening of 'The Illusionist' at the Portland Arts Centre. This will be preceded by light refreshments at 7.00 pm.

The Illusionist is a magical mystery story set in late 19th century Vienna. Score is by the composer Philip Glass.

All CEMA members and friends are cordially invited to attend. For more information telephone the Sec.

Berice Jones (Secretary)

Poetry Reading Group

On Sunday, September 16, poetry readers selected mainly Australian works by CJ Dennis, AB Patterson and Henry Lawson to name a few. However, the reading highlight of the day was supplied by Mark Taylor with Robert Browning's "The Pied Piper of Hamelyn". Altogether an enjoyable program which also included "Spring" by Lord Tennyson, and "Sea Fever" by John Masefield.

We meet again at 2 pm on Sunday, October 21st at the Portland Arts Centre.

Dawn Turner (Convenor)



S.H.I.Ps and Others exhibition opening
at the Portland Bay Press



Children playing marimba at John Madin's music workshop last weekend.

Historical Society

October meeting: Thursday the 4th, 2:30 pm at the Portland Arts Centre. Program: "Portland of Yesteryear: Butchers".

Our September program: ("Remembering Portland's early Grocers"), produced much interesting discussion and even brought us a new member.

Betty Vivian (President)

Leadlighter's Guild

Working groups Wednesday Arvo from 1 pm and Thursday Evening from 7 pm.

For Leadlight sessions for making Christmas decorations please ring Miriam.

Heather Clark (Secretary/Treasurer)

PIONEER QUILTERS

Our next meeting will held Monday, 8th October. Diane Malcom will be demonstrating Folded Log Cabin.

Requirements:

- 12.5 in calico or other light coloured fabric,
- Strips of 6 different fabrics 2.5" wide cut across width of fabric, or several scraps for a scrappy block.
- Small ruler, sewing machine, pencil or marker that will show on background material, pins.

Edenhope Quilters are holding an Exhibition on 19, 20, 21st October.

Happy quilting

Carmel Jasper (Sec)

WOOD TURNER'S GUILD

This is my first and final letter in to the CEMA newsletter because my family and I are moving to Gladstone Qld. I would like to thank the Wood Turners (John, Bob, Peter, Ziggy, Ron and many more).

The Wood Turners are looking for more members so if you know of any one interested in woodturning, in need of some advice or just interested in a cup of coffee! (John always brings a good afternoon tea), call in on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays from 1:30 to 4:00.

Thanks for the great time.

Ryan Hocking (Wood turner)!!

The Arts Company

Workshop Series 2007

Call to register your interest in other workshops coming up:

- African Dance workshop
- Papermaking from plants
- Watercolour painting
- Metal Clay sculpting

Join our mailing list to receive information on future workshop sessions.

The Arts Company
19 Julia Street, Portland

Introduction to Stone Carving

with Steve Singline

Learn the art of Talc Stone carving under the guidance of an experienced tutor. Participants will be able to produce a pendant and/or a small hand held carving in this 2 hour workshop.

All materials and equipment supplied.

\$35 per participant
4 sessions to choose from.

Friday October 5th : 10 am or 1 pm session
Saturday October 6th : 1 pm or 3 pm session

Bookings: The Arts Company
19 Julia Street, Portland

