

SASA NEWS



As I grew older, I realized that it was much better to insist on the genuine forms of nature, for simplicity is the greatest adornment of art.

Albrecht Durer

January 2025

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From the President

We are so looking forward the our first Exhibition of the year. I hope you have all read your last SASA News?

On 27th February is our AGM this is a special evening in many ways. You, the members, get to vote back into council your 2024 team. They have worked very hard throughout 2024 and are on board to continue into 2025. We are constantly looking for helpers to help the councillors with events. You do not have to become a councillor to be of help. If we can call upon you for different events, that is team work, give your details to our secretary Louise.

We also have our Drawing and Sketchbook Competition, more details on page 8.

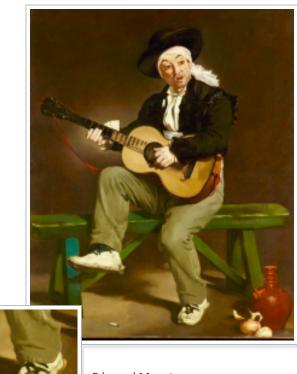
Saturday Workshops, these are held at The Peter Clark Art Centre in Newlands, 9am – 3pm. We have a person demonstrating and you work along with them to refresh your skill, introduce a new skill or just have fun. The workshops are R450 pp. open to members only.

We want to create Workshops that will assist you in your journey with your art, we have had Charcoal, Oil, Ink, printing and silk painting to mention a few. DO YOU HAVE A SUGGESTION? Let us know.

Thursday Members Evenings. You can bring along a guest! As with the Workshops, we as your Council team are on the lookout for ways to ignite a spark, be it new or dormant, within you, so let us know what you want to see/hear.

Fun trivia. I always like to read through Art Magazines on line and one favourite is The Art Times. It's full of interesting tidbits. I was reading about Manet, an artist I admired for challenging the Salon!

I came across The Spanish Singer (pic on page 1) which I was not familiar with. When zooming in (as one does) I



Edouard Manet, The Spanish Singer, 1860 on view at The Met Fifth Avenue

noticed the shoes on the guitarist, could these have been a forerunner to Nike or Jordan's?

This painting, which reflects the Parisian vogue for Spanish art and culture during the Second Empire, won Manet his first popular and critical success in his debut at the Salon of 1861. Though the picture was admired for its realistic detail, Manet did not disguise the fact that it was composed in a studio using a model and props. The left-handed singer holds a guitar strung for a right-handed player, and his fingering suggests that he was unfamiliar with the instrument.

DIARY

February	Monday	17	Hanging and Opening of SASA's 117th Annual Exhibition at Richard Crowie Hall at Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens.
February	Wednesday	26	Closing of Annual Exhibition and collection of Artworks.
February	Thursday	27	Monthly Members Meeting. Venue: Cape Town Athenaeum, Newlands. Time: 19:00. AGM and Drawing and Sketchbook competition.

NEW MEMBERS



A warm welcome to our new SASA Members and we hope to meet you all very soon.

Jane Moodie **Cape Town** Natasha Jacobs **Table View** Haydee Breganski Claremont Lyndon Jacobs Newfields Jared Petersen Athlone Durbanville **Odette Snyman** Bellville Penny Webster **Avril Shorkend** Milnerton Kira Chernotsky Cape Town Valerie Evennett – Marina da Gama **Tania Basson - Parklands**



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After the momentous move, Artland is settling into the new spaces.

Thank you to the artists and friends who have popped around already to see our new space, and support us with their art supply, artisan canvases and logistical requirements.



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ADVERTISING YOUR EXHIBITION OR EVENT

Dear members, please feel free to place and advert for any exhibition or art related event in the newsletter. Remember, the proceeds of these adverts are dedicated towards our outreach programs to give other emerging artists a leg up so that one day they too can have their own exhibition.

Advertising rates and procedures can be found on page 12.

2025 COUNCIL

The current council members are reflected on page 1. We are always looking for additional members to assist, so please don't hesitate to apply.

Libby Harrison continues to handle the Social Media portfolio on our behalf.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

SASA Monthly Meetings are held at the Athenaeum, Newlands, on the last Thursday of every month at 19:00. Entry is R10 for members and R20 for guests, which includes refreshments. We encourage you to attend and find out what's going on in your society and also connect with your fellow artists. There is always a regular informative demonstration, talk or competition scheduled for the evening.



Please continue to share news or images taken at any SASA event with us, so that we can make these available to all our members. For Instagram you can contact Sandy Rogerson (083 462 8103). For Facebook please contact Libby Harrison at <u>art@libbyharrison.co.za</u> or Audrey Innes at <u>audsinnes@hotmail.com</u>



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MONTHLY MEETING FEEDBACK - WINNERS' DEMO

On Thursday, 28 January 2025 we had our Winners' Demo during our monthly Members' Meeting.

What a lively and vibrant evening it was!

Our Best of Category winners from the 2024 Selection Weekend demonstrated their skills and those present could not get enough.



Corma Laubscher (Best Oil) worked on a portrait set before an intricate cityscape. She also showed the beginnings of a landscape with texture paste, the technique that won her the award. Corma had some great tips to share about the materials she uses. Her serene character comes to the fore in her art.





Solly Gutman (Best Oil) is very experienced at his medium, scratchboard. The tools of his trade are varied and some very innovative. Solly showed us how certain marks are made, from very fine





marks made with needles, to completely clear backgrounds, as well as the use of inks and markers to add colour to his works. With meticulous attention to detail, Solly brings images of beauty to life in this interesting medium.

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MONTHLY MEETING FEEDBACK - WINNERS' DEMO (continued)

Beth Lowe (Best Watercolour) displayed superior skill as a watercolourist with her watercolour work of objects found on the beach. Confidently, she arranged her objects, sketched out and started painting and chatting to us, and as if by magic shells, shards of china, coral and drifwood started to appear on the page with a few brushstrokes.





Libby Harrison (Best Acrylic) creates floral paintings as bright and cheerful as she is! Her work is a combination of interesting brushstrokes expertly applied in vibrant colour to create the illusion of detail. As Libby herself says: "Just paint." The result speaks for itself.

Lynne Menge (Best Mixed Media) is a master at seascapes with texture paste and paint. On a white canvas she applied areas of texture paste before starting to apply quick layers of paint. In little more than an hour a dramatic scene emerged, complete with rocks, sand, crashing waves and sea spray. Lynne's paintings are alive with movement and atmosphere.

As always, Avril Retief made sure we had some tasty refreshments after the meeting.

Thank you, Avril!







MEMBERSHIP FEES - 2025

A reminder that membership fees are now due. You can make payment to:

SASA Nedbank Constantia, Branch code 198765, Account number 1088006981 Please use your **name** (NOT your number) as the beneficiary reference when paying.

Fees are as follows:

SASA Membership main member	R450
First additional family member	R340
Subsequent additional family members each	

Country / Student Membership main member	R350
First additional family member	R260
Subsequent additional family members each	R235



Come join our 2nd Creative Retreat for Poets, Writers & Painters and Sketchers. McGregor Fri 25 (17.30) – Mon 28th April.

Join Dorian Haarhoff and Buster Petersen in this picturesque village. Temenos (a spiritual oasis) provides a tranquil setting for introspective and soulful discovery to find its way to the canvas and sketchpad. Time to write, or paint, circle the garden of the beloved ... the labyrinth... communicate with peacocks and peahens ... meditate amidst blue glass... breathe... be.... come and source your bliss. An idyllic in-depth artistic discovery. Beginners are welcome.

We facilitate parallel sessions with one session a swop-over when writers paint and artists write. Joint evening sessions.

Contact: Roy Bermeister 082 4507858

If you do not receive your 2025 membership card via email within one week of having paid your membership fees or are not receiving the newsletter, please contact Louise at secretary@sasa-artists.co.za

When claiming your discount at the participating art shops, present your 2025 membership card. You may print your membership card (contact Louise if you need assistance), save it to your mobile phone to present at vendors or request a card to be printed for you to collect at the members' meeting.

Please note that if your membership is not paid by the end of February 2025 your membership will lapse and you will be required to pay the joining fee of R100.

LISTING ON SASA WEBSITE

Please send a link to your website or social media art page to Marietjie at

mdutoit@mweb.co.za in order to have a your link listed on the SASA website.

This offer exists for all members. Please note that all social media links must lead to a page dedicated to your own art and not to a personal social page.



LIBRARY



Our Library is open at our monthly meeting FINES: As we have numerous DVDs missing, from 17:50 to 18:50. Your membership entitles you to take out two items per month. There are some lovely, helpful and informative publications to browse through. Members with outstanding library it is not returned. If you have any queries books or other items, especially those more than two months' overdue, please make every effort to return them.

we have increased the Fines as follows:-Bringing back an empty DVD case - R50 on the spot. Not renewing (limited to one month only) R50. And thereafter R50 for each month regarding any aspect of the library, please contact: Audrey at audsinnes@hotmail.com

THURSDAY 29 FEBRUARY: AGM AND DRAWING AND SKETCHBOOK COMPETITIONS

A reminder for our Annual General Meeting and Drawing and Sketchbook competitions. All the news for the year and a report on the finances will be tabled at the meeting which is then followed by the drawing competition. There is **no theme** this year, so bring along your best monochrome work of art.

Please remember that this drawing competition is a monochrome (single-colour) drawing competition. Therefore, only drawing techniques are permitted, using **one** drawing medium in any **one** colour. For example, charcoal on paper or support (an unpainted surface). Other **single** drawing media may be used, such as pencil, graphite, conté or ink. No paintings will be accepted on the evening.

Don't forget our separate section for **Sketchbooks**! Set your sketchbook at a favourite page to display to members for a separate vote. There is **no theme**, and members will be invited to vote for the winner.

Detailed rules for the Drawing Competition

Please read these carefully to avoid disappointment:

- There is no theme for this competition.
- Your work should be a recent example.
- There will only be one category for entries, with prizes awarded to the top three works chosen.
- Only members *present* on the evening are eligible to vote.
- Please ensure that your work is suitably mounted.
- This drawing competition is for a *monochrome* (single-colour) drawing only.
- All paid-up members *present* on the evening are allowed to submit *one* entry.
- No work containing brushwork or solvents will be allowed (eg watercolours or pastels diluted with turpentine are not permitted).
- Work that has been done in a class convened by an art teacher may not be submitted. Also, works previously entered in any SASA competition or exhibition may not be submitted.
- Please observe the spirit of the competition and abide by the rules.
- In view of copyright protection of photographic and other illustrative material, please remember when working from material that, in terms of intellectual property law, is not your own, you must have express written permission for it to be copied. Our standard copyright rules apply. Work

submitted must be the original hand-made work and cannot be a photographic or electronic reproduction.

Detailed rules for the Sketchbook Competition

- There is no theme for this competition.
- Please provide bulldog clips or similar to hold your sketchbook open at the appropriate page.
- Please provide a firm support to prop up the chosen page for viewing.

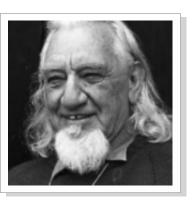


Last year's winning entries

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WALTER BATTISS - A SOUTH AFRICAN ARTIST AHEAD OF HIS TIME

Walter Battiss was born in Somerset East to an English Methodist family in 1906, and became one of South Africa's first and most important abstract painters. He first became interested in archaeology and primitive art as a young boy after moving to Koffiefontein in 1917, and



drew and painted since childhood. In 1919 the Battiss family settled in Fauresmith where he completed his education, matriculating in 1923. In 1924 he became a clerk in the Magistrates Court in Rustenburg.

His formal art studies started in 1929 at the Wits Tech Art School (drawing and painting), followed by the Johannesburg Training College (a Teacher's Diploma) and etching lessons. Battiss continued his studies while working as a magistrate's clerk, and finally obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Fine Arts at UNISA at the age of 35.

Battiss was a founding member of the New Group and was unique in that he had not studied overseas. In 1938 he visited Europe for the first time, and in 1939 he published his first book, 'The Amazing Bushman'. His interest in primitive rock art had a very profound impact on his ideas and he regarded San painting as an important art form. He was also influenced by Ndebele beadwork, pre-Islamic cultures and calligraphy.

He visited Greece in 1966-1968 and the Seychelles in 1972, which inspired his make-believe 'Fook Island', a



Symbols of Life, 1967



African Night Market, 1965



Fisherman, 1972

dream world for which he created a map, imaginary people, plants and animals. He even created a history.

Battiss published nine books, wrote many articles and founded the periodical De Arte. He taught Pretoria Boys' High School students for 30 years at the Pretoria Art Centre, of which was the principle from 1953-58.

He also taught at Unisa where he became Professor of Fine Art in 1964 and retired in 1971. Walter Battiss passed away in Port Shepstone, Natal in 1982.

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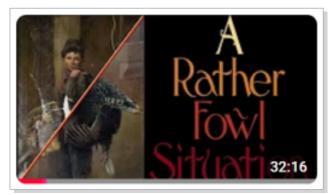
"Conservation of Easel Paintings" By Joyce Hill Stoner & Rebecca Rushfield



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'Sometimes when a painting arrives one must simply pause and marvel at the damage, for when it's this extensive, it's pretty impressive. Suffice it to say, all hope is not lost and this painting situation will be transformed from Fowl to Pheasant.'

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bXVr0tDBp6A

PAINTING GROUPS TO JOIN WITH SPACE TO PAINT

THURSDAY: 10am to 1pm in Claremont (JP Duminy Hall). Easels, tables, and chairs are available. Bring own painting supplies and refreshments. For more information on the above, please contact Audrey: Cell: 076 5713 976 or email: audsinnes@hotmail.com **FRIDAY MORNING:** Non-tutored Art Group at Peter Clarke Art Centre in Claremont. Enjoy a relaxed morning of painting or drawing with a friendly bunch of artists. For further details contact Dianne: Cell: 082 8955 122

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Also a 5% discount from Art Sauce in town.

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□ ART CLASSES

If you would like your name added to this list, please email <u>secretary@sasa-artists.co.za.</u>

KAREN BURNS FSASA holds classes on Wednesday mornings at the Newlands Scout Hall specialising in still life working from life. You can contact her at <u>karenjl0704@gmail.com</u>

SONJA FRENZ FSASA runs workshops from her studio in Durbanville. Contact her at <u>sonjafrenz@gmail.com</u> for more information

LYN NORTHAM FSASA holds her 'beginner and/or get back to it' oil classes at the Newlands Scout Hall on Thursday mornings. Contact her at <u>northamlyn@gmail.com</u>

WYN ROSSOUW FSASA offers morning classes in the Bergvliet area, specialising in drawing and oil painting. Beginner's welcome! Contact her at wynrossouw@gmail.com

PENNY STEYNOR SFSASA holds watercolour classes during the week from a studio in Pinelands. Contact her at steynor@mweb.co.za

HELEN VAN STOLK FSASA offers workshops (online and live-experiential) for artists exploring intuitive expressive creativity. For more information, please email <u>helenvstolk@gmail.com</u> or visit <u>helenvanstolk.com/workshops---information.html</u>

LAURA WENMAN MFSASA teaches drawing and oil painting technique classes for beginners to advanced students from her studio in Parklands on Tuesday mornings and Friday afternoons. Contact her at laurawenman@gmail.com

ELIZE BEZUIDENHOUT holds regular portrait workshops in her studio in Durbanville. For more information and to find out times, contact Elize at <u>elize.artist@gmail.com</u>

LINDA BRILLEMAN offers Decorative Painting Brushstroke classes in Tableview. She is an Internationally Certified Decorative Painting Brushstrokes teacher. Contact her at Ibrilleman01@gmail.com

GLENDA CHAMBERS offers both morning and evening classes and regular workshops in watercolour and oil in the Blaauwberg area. You can contact her at gchambers@mweb.co.za

LESLEY CHARNOCK teaches oil painting workshops: portraits, still life, colour mixing and en plein air workshops in the winter months only (May to November). Contact her at <u>lesleycharnock@gmail.com</u> or on 082 424 1033

SALOMÉ KRUGER offers drawing classes in Somerset West at the Helderberg Fine Art studios, Wednesday mornings from 09:00 to 12:00. For more information contact her on 072 591 2667 or at <u>smkruger@mweb.co.za</u>



PETER HYSLOP offers art classes for children, tutoring for high-school pupils and courses for adults in drawing and painting (oils, acrylics and watercolours) at his studio, 50 Balfour Road, Park Estate, Rondebosch. He has 38 years of experience teaching art, having studied fine arts with Bill Ainslie at the Johannesburg Art Foundation, and fine arts and education at UCT. For more information contact him on 064 690 9059 or at

robertpeteroateshyslop@gmail.com

MARCELLE LYONS holds oil and watercolour classes, workshops and courses in the Girl Guide Hall, Alma Road, Rosebank on Monday mornings. Contact her at marcelle.lyons@gmail.com

JOANNE MCGILVRAY holds sculpture classes in Kalk Bay for any hand built ceramic pieces, including sculptures, functional art and decorative clay work. 6-week modules, maximum 4 students per class. Contact her on 082 443 3116 or at joanne.mcgilvray@gmail.com

LYNNE MENGE holds regular workshops and classes in acrylic in her studio in the Milnerton area. Contact her at lynne@adrenalyn.co.za

VICKI NORCLIFFE offers portrait classes on Monday mornings with a model. Contact her at vickinorcliffeart@gmail.com

LIZ PEARSON offers basic oil painting classes every Monday and Tuesday morning in the Kenilworth area. Please contact her at <u>lizp@iafrica.com</u>

INGE SEMPLE from January 2025 runs beginner and intermediate drawing, watercolour and oil classes at Peter Clarke Art Centre and workshops in other venues in Cape Town for Cornerstone Art Atelier. Inge can be contacted via <u>www.ingesemple.com</u> or 072 597 5375.

IZAK VOLLGRAAFF offers Tuesday evening art classes in the City Bowl and Saturday morning classes in Edgemead. Contact Izak at <u>izakart@gmail.com</u> or on 082 468 4794

KIM WATERMEYER (In The Zone) – light and airy studio in Plumstead. For fun, relaxed acrylic painting and mixedmedia lessons for beginners and intermediates. She also offers creative painting projects for those who want to join in. AM and PM classes. Contact her on 079 343 5953 or at <u>kimwatermeyer.co.za/in-the-zone-art-studio</u>

VAL WATT holds monthly pastel workshops at her home studio in Pinelands – with different themes. Contact her on 081 010 8121 or at <u>valbrownwatt@gmail.com</u>

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Newsletter: Full page R260 Half page R160 Quarter page R95

Email rates: Business or non-members advertising service or goods for profit R250. Members advertising service or goods for profit R200. This also includes a post on the SASA Facebook page.

Bookings Contact: secretary@sasa-artists.co.za

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