



December, 2025 Newsletter

HOME of the HERVEY BAY ART SOCIETY

Miniatures & Small Works Exhibitions



Miniatures 1st Prize — Rolf Sieber based on Margaret Ollie



Small Works 1st Prize — Rolf Sieber for "Hinterland"

IMPORTANT DATES

25th December - Gallery 5 closes for Christmas break

27th Dec. - Gallery 5 reopens

9th Jan. - Miniatures and Small Works Exhibition closes. Collect artworks by 10:30 am

9th Jan. - Wonderful Waters Exhibition opens

12th Jan. - Classes resume

16th January - Wonderful Waters Exhibitions Presentations and Awards

17th Jan. - Pastel Portrait Workshop with Mark Brose

19th Jan. - General Meeting at 10:00 am

23rd Jan. - General Hanging entries in by 10:30 am

24th Jan. - Workshop with Mark Brose



Supporting our Local Community

WEEKLY CLASSES

Monday	12:30 – 3:00	Back to Basics with Mark Brose
Tuesday	12:30 – 3:00	Beyond Basics with Mark Brose
Wednesday	12:30 – 3:00	Next Steps with Mark Brose
Thursday	1 st & 3 rd of the month 12:30 – 3:30	Life Drawing with Katherine Walsh
Thursday	2 nd and 4 th of the month 12:30 – 3:00	Printmaking
Friday	9:00 – 12:00	Acrylics & Oils with Rolf Sieber



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LIFE DRAWING CLASSES



**1st and 3rd Thursday of each
month.**

GALLERY 5 A Place to Grow

PRINTMAKING for artists who wish
to explore different techniques of
printing on paper using a variety of
methods & mediums. Creative ideas for
working with paper are shared.

2nd & 4th THURSDAYS
@ 12:30-3:00PM

Miniatures Exhibition



2nd — Lin Harris—"Misty Lagoon"



H/C — Elaine Lane — "Corner Store"



Commended — Rolf Sieber for
"Sunset over the Bay"



Commended — Lorraine Romaio
for "Pip"

**Congratulations
to the winners!**

As 2025 draws to a close, the walls of Gallery 5 are alive with colour and creativity from our Miniatures and Small Works Competition. It's amazing how much detail and emotion our members can capture in such a small space — proof that art doesn't need to be large to make a big impact!

The range of works on offer was as diverse as our members themselves — from bold abstracts to serene landscapes to delicate miniatures. Congratulations to all the talented artists who entered, and a special round of applause to the winners.

Small Works Exhibition



2nd — Gioia Small—"Coral Paradise"



H/C — Elaine Lane — "Morning Light"



Commended — Carol Perry
—"Five Poppies"

Why be one of our Artists of the Month? What is in it for you as an artist?

Being an "Artist of the Month" with our digital promotions offers unparalleled visibility, credibility, and engagement opportunities, helping our member artists expand their reach and build lasting connections with audiences both locally, nationally and worldwide.

In the past, artists relied on physical galleries and word-of-mouth, limiting exposure to a few hundred people at best. Today, digital promotion democratizes art, giving every featured artist the chance to reach thousands globally, build a dedicated fanbase, and sustain career growth

Being one of our Artists of the Month gives you:

- Boosted visibility of your work across digital platforms.
- Engages audiences through both interactive and creative content.
- Drives conversions (sales, commissions, collaborations).

Builds credibility and long-term brand recognition you as an artist.

You are featured on the front page of our website and have our own page within our Members' Online Gallery section. [Members Online Gallery - HBAS - Gallery 5](#) You will also have segments run on our digital media platforms promoting you and your work for the month's duration. We currently have spaces from July to December free for 2026 so please get in touch for more information if you're interested in this great free marketing opportunity. Donnastackman@outlook.com



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honoured to paint
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Hair de Paris

by Michelle

President's Report - December

Hello lovely creatives,

Wishing everyone a very merry, happy holiday season. There has been a lot happening at Gallery 5 this month with lots of cheer and festivities around.

Our new exhibition "Small works & Miniatures" is up and filled with colourful creations. We also have new paintings and 3D works in the general exhibition. A big congratulations to all the worthy winners and as always, many, many thanks to our talented and hard-working installation team. Thanks to our catering team for another delicious BBQ.

The day of our Giant Art Sale finally arrived and brought in close to \$2,000.00. Many artists sold a painting or two or three, so well done! Thanks to all our wonderful artists who attended and to all our volunteers who greeted customers, cleaned and tidied the gallery, before and after the event. A very special thank you to the Marketing team, our Media manager and to Nicola who all worked tirelessly to make the Giant Art sale a success.

Additionally, we had a booth at the Market Day at the Citizen Centre which was also quite successful. Many thanks to Kerri-Ann for organizing; Jill, Janine, Jelena and Jacky who set up the booth and stood for the day promoting our gallery and selling the lovely original Christmas cards that our artists donated.

We finally have our new, colourful Banners up! "TaDa"! If you spot them around town, let us know what you think. They are located at the corners of Boat Harbour Drive & Denmans Camp Rd and Torquay Road & Stevenson St. Thanks to Pam, they are hung straight.

A huge "thank you" to every member that attended our Christmas Lunch at the RSL. Nicola did a fantastic job with organizing the event, the beautiful raffle prizes and a most entertaining Trivia. We sincerely hope that everyone enjoyed their meal and the merriment.

I look forward to seeing all your smiling faces in 2026. I hope it's a wonderful year for everyone and we can all continue to create and grow as a society. Our executive team has lots of ideas to bring to you. Without our members, nothing could happen.

Kindly, Katherine Walsh, President

MARK'S CLASSES 2026

Basic Art Skills restarts Monday 12th January 12:30-3:00pm. (Topic of COLOUR THEORY)

Beyond Basics restarts Tuesday 13th January 12:30-3:00pm. (Topic of PEN & INK)

Next Steps recommences Wednesday 14th January 12:30-3:00pm.

(Topic of Self-Portrait/Caricatures)

Classes are well priced at \$10 for members & \$20 for non-members.

I hope to see some new faces along with the familiar in the new year.

Mark Brose, Art Teacher

What's on at Gallery 5

Upcoming Monthly Themed Exhibitions ...

January - Wonderful Water

So many ways you can paint water from the ocean, waterfalls and creeks and rivers or even the world beneath.. To paint water, focus on reflections, use horizontal strokes for calm surfaces, vary brushwork for movement (curvy for ripples, short for fast water), and layer light-to-dark with blending for depth, adding white highlights last for shimmer, remembering water mirrors its surroundings.

February - Abstract

By definition, to "abstract" means to "extract or remove" one thing from another. Thus, abstract art draws from fundamental forms. The origins of abstract art may be traced back to movements such as Impressionism and Cubism which helped shape the idea that art could be non-representative and more subjective in nature.

Abstract art uses a visual language of form, colour and line to create a composition.

Abstraction indicates a departure from reality in depiction of imagery in art. This departure from accurate representation can be slight, partial, or complete.

March - Self Portraits

Self-portrait criteria involve artistic expression of self, combining technical accuracy (proportions, likeness) with conceptual depth (emotion, story, identity), focusing on elements like lighting, composition, pose, and symbolic props to reveal personality, mood, or a deeper message, moving beyond a simple mirror reflection to tell a personal truth or explore identity.



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***Our Hervey Bay Art Society sure does
throw a great party!***

This year's Christmas party was full of good food and games enjoyed by all. Our VP, Nicola was amazing, sorting the raffles and our own Jodi was a very happy winner. Lots of smiles & laughter, storytelling, trivia fun and holiday cheer all around. Gina got our President's vote for best Christmas outfit



Giant Art Sale



To keep the festive momentum going, HBAS held its **Monster Art Sale**.

Gallery 5 welcomed bargain hunters, collectors, and curious locals all eager to take home an original piece of art.









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