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## Newsletter

MAR/APR 2014

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

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### From the President's Desk by Odile Sprekeling, President

Hi Everyone, we are very pleased to announce our **Members Exhibition for 2014** and I'm very excited that we now have a new medium, namely Photography and I would like to encourage all our members to enter this competition. Speak to Diane for further details if you are interested.

So far the organization of the exhibition is going really well, however, if any of our members are able to assist with any volunteer duties, please see Diane – I can assure you, you will have fun! **Please note**, there are **two opening nights**, **MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> March for the Arts and craft**; and **THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> March for the Photography**.

We are also delighted to have the support of Auckland Council for the Project Twin Streams in both mediums. Could I ask our members who subscribe to Facebook to share our exhibition posters on their home page as this will be free advertising for us.

Further, we have the Corban's Open Day on the **29<sup>th</sup> March** which we will be representing ourselves as the WCCAC. This day will include many different artistic mediums around the estate. Feel free to bring your family along to this free event.

Regards, Odile

### AGM – 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 10am THE STUDIO

We look forward to seeing our Members for our Annual General Meeting.

A nomination form is attached or available from the office.

Your presence may win you a years' subscription (6 issues) to The NZ Artist, valued at \$52.50.

So be present in order to win!

### Coordinator's Corner

On MEMEX 2014, I look forward to seeing your artwork in St Michael's Church and your photography in the Opanuku Studio.

I'd like to take this opportunity of thanking our sponsors, as without you, this event would not be possible. Sponsors for our MEMBERS' ART EXHIBITION are **OFFICE PRODUCTS DEPOT, THE FALLS, FRAMES BY DANIEL, MAGMAG, STUDIO ART SUPPLIES, PROJECT TWIN STREAMS, AUCKLAND COUNCIL** and **WCCAC**.

Sponsors for our MEMBERS' PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION are **AUCKLAND CAMERA CENTRE, APIX, PROJECT TWIN STREAMS, AUCKLAND COUNCIL** AND **WCCAC**

Calling all members who have a story to tell on the WCCAC. I'm keen to put together a book on memoirs and history on this wonderful Arts Council. I've been here less than a year and so enjoyed meeting everyone and seeing your wonderful artworks. Everyone has a story to tell, so please share. Either email to [wccac@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wccac@xtra.co.nz) or write down your experiences, however quirky and deliver to the office. I'll aim to have the book completed by early 2015.

Diane Costello – Arts Coordinator

### REMINDER:

**MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE: Please check with the Office if you are unsure when you paid last. Account: ASB No: 12-3039-0846680-00. Ref: Surname**

## THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

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## Focus on Peter Purcell "My Life as a Living Artist"

I was born in the distant regions of Te Awamutu. I don't know where it could have been, a hen's house or even a pig's sty! My twin brother Neil followed me on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 1943. I was adopted at birth and spent the war years at Fairy Springs, Ngotaha, Rotorua and arrived in Auckland in 1947.

I lived in Hearne Bay, Mason's Avenue and went to Bayfield School till 1952, where I was first introduced to art and produced a crayon drawing of pirates, after seeing a film at the Britannia Picture Theatre in Ponsonby. In January 1952, my father, William Kirwan Purcell died (born 1890). Thereafter, I went to Dilworth School and was an inmate from 1953 to 1960, ruled by Headmaster Brigadier Connolly DSO.

These years I spent reading history and invading all the picture theatres in Auckland, going to some 3 films in one day. Cowboy films at the Majestic, St James, Civic and all the others that Queen Street had in the 1950's. Most of my arty ideas came from this direction, including reading numerous comic books (classics bought from Whitcombe and Tombs. Once a fortnight, after attending church at St Marks, Remuera, we spent one day at home where I painted and listened to the "Diggers Session" on radio. Learnt all about warfare, wars of the 1914 – 1918 – 1939 – 1949.

During the school holidays I would buy toy soldiers from Farmers in Hobson Street with my pocket money and painted over 50 paintings on cardboard of Napoleonic Battles, wars of the 19<sup>th</sup> century and naval "Nelson Period". These paintings I still have, hidden under my 4 poster bed on which my mother died in her sleep in her 90<sup>th</sup> year. She too is in limbo land lying on top of Dad at Purewa Cemetery (died 1989), born 1/8/1900.

Because they were born in Victorian and Edwardian era's I was always surrounded by people of these eras. My mother's father was born in 1874 (NZ) and Dad's father came to NZ in 1848 and was born in the South Island in 1840. Dad's father fought against the Moari (1863 to 1865). They were the first white people to have children born in Rotorua outside of Ohinamuthu. My working years were from 1961 to 1990 at the CBA Bank and Westac. I retired aged 47 and during this period I painted and collected antiques of which I still have some today.

I have had 3 one man exhibitions and have won numerous awards and passed on a large number of paintings to both members of WCCAC and other gentry who have taken to my art like ducks to water or bees to a beehive. Especially when Rupert the Bear appears hidden away in my colourful works of fantasy as Historical Art.

**Written by Peter Purcell**



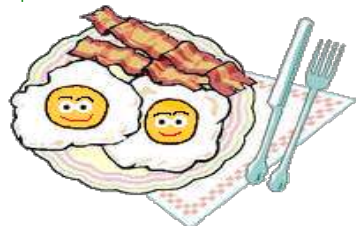
## \$2.99 SPECIAL

I love it. If you are a senior you will understand this one,

if you deal with seniors, this should help you understand them a little better, and if you are not a senior yet.

God willing, someday you will be.

## \$2.99 SPECIAL



We went to breakfast at a restaurant where the 'seniors' special' was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for \$2.99.

'Sounds good,' my wife said. 'But I don't want the eggs.'

'Then, I'll have to charge you \$3.49 because you're ordering a la carte,' the waitress warned her.

'You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?' my wife asked incredulously.

'YES!' stated the waitress.

'I'll take the special then,' my wife said.

'How do you want your eggs?' the waitress asked. 'Raw and in the shell,' my wife replied. She took the two eggs home and baked a cake.

**DON'T MESS WITH SENIORS!**

**WE'VE been around the block more than once!**



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## REMINDERS, OUTINGS & NEW SESSIONS

### 1. Harbourview Sculpture Trail

**Group booking for Thursday the 13th March.** \$9 for seniors (+65).

Odile and I have both been on this trail and it's well worth experiencing.

Bookings through Diane. Group to meet at The Studio at 9.45am. Alternatively, this exhibition is open from the 8th March – 30th March 2014.

Located around Danica Pond at the northern end of the Harbourview. Peoples Park on Te Atatu Peninsula, the Harbourview Sculpture Trail is a biennial exhibition of contemporary art. With a mixture of environments ranging from open mown lawns, grasslands, salt marshes, freshwater lakes, native plantings and wetlands, the area provides a varied landscape in which to display sculpture.

### 2. Members Art Exhibition - see entry forms for details

**Entries close: 18th March 2014. Opening Night: 24th March.**

**Exhibition: 25th to 30th March. Venue: St Michael's Church, Corban's Estate.**

**CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS – see/call/email Diane at [wccacexhibit@gmail.com](mailto:wccacexhibit@gmail.com)**

### 3. Members Photography Exhibition – see entry form for details

**Entries close: 18th March 2014. Opening Night: 27th March.**

**Exhibition: 28th to 30th March. Venue: Opanuku Studio, Corban's Estate.**

**CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS – see/call/email Diane at [wccacexhibit@gmail.com](mailto:wccacexhibit@gmail.com) 2014**

### 4. Open Arts Day 2014 – 29th March 2014 9.30am – 6pm

This is held in conjunction with our Members Exhibition. Members are welcome to participate in an Open Session at The Studio from 9am to 10pm. Members of the public will be in to see **member's** working as well as the exhibition. Please advise Diane if you will be painting on this day!

### 5. Easter Show Art Competition 2014 – See website details.

**Entry forms to be received by 20th March 2014**

<http://www.asbshowgrounds.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/ART-Schedule-2014.pdf>

**6. Members Art For Sale Gallery through the Website** – send a photo of your work to [wccacexhibit@gmail.com](mailto:wccacexhibit@gmail.com) with subject header: For Sale Item, to be placed on our website. Resolution should be around 72dpi and size on the longest side 640cm. Form available from the office.

### 7. Library - DVD'S

We have purchased 4 new DVD's as well as having transferred videos to DVD. Many thanks to the previous committee who purchased tutorial videos and cared for them. Available from the office.

### 8. NZ Art Show Competition/Exhibition – see website for details

<http://artshow.co.nz/>

### 9. Model-x – Queen's birthday weekend: 31st May, 1st & 2nd June 2014

### 10. TTASA 2014

**The Trusts Art & Sculpture Awards 2014 dates:-**

Entry Form & Fee: Monday 15 Sept

Receiving date: Saturday 27th Sept

Awards Evening: Thurs 2nd Oct

Exhibition: Friday 3rd Oct to 12th Oct

### 10. Grant Waugh Welcome to Watercolour Workshop

**26th & 27th April 9am – 2pm (see attached).**

**11.** Our member Judith Moore-Chisholm has an Open Studio at 39 Rua Rd, Glen Eden. Contact: 09 827 4791; e: [judechris@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:judechris@vodafone.co.nz)

**Visitors welcome.**



## CLASSES & SESSIONS 2014

The STUDIO at  
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### OPEN STUDIO SESSIONS MONDAY & THURSDAY MORNINGS and TUESDAY EVENINGS

Come and join our regular  
members, tea & coffee available  
– all welcome

#### Term Dates for 2014:

Term 1: 3/02/2014 – 17/04/2014  
Term 2: 5/05/2014 – 4/07/2014  
Term 3: 21/07/2014 – 26/09/2014  
Term 4: 13/10/2014 – 16/12/2014

Remember to refer to the Corban Estate  
website for any events they may be  
holding <http://www.ceac.org.nz/>

Further events may be found on:  
<http://www.eventfinder.co.nz/>

MONDAY	<b>Open Studio</b> 8.30am – 1.30pm (no oils after 11am to assist those with solvent allergies)	<b>Tutored:</b> Special Needs 2pm-3.30pm  <b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects.</b>	Monday Painting Group Booking 7–9pm Contact the office for details
TUESDAY	Bellas Artists: Lynette McKinstrie Group booking Morning FULL	<b>Tutored:</b> 1.30 – 3pm Acrylic Tuition for beginners with Lynette McKinstrie 814 9357	<b>Open Studio</b> Evenings 6.30pm – 9.00 Free to all – newcomers welcome Ph Odile 836 4953
WEDNESDAY	<b>Tutored:</b> Drawing and Painting with Gabrielle Ryburn 10-12noon Ph 094129255	<b>Life Drawing:</b> 12.30 – 3.30pm \$10 per session Includes model fee	<b>Tutored:</b> Watercolour with Grant Waugh 6 - 8.30pm ph 8341238 027 442 0137  (10 sessions)
THURSDAY	<b>Open Studio</b> 8.30 – 12.30pm Drop in and join in.	<b>Tutored:</b> Watercolour painting with Helen Steven 1-3pm Ph 834 5832	<b>Life Drawing</b> Class 6-9pm Contact Tatiana on 555-3735
FRIDAY	Friday Painters group booking 9-1pm. Contact the office for details	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects.</b>	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects.</b>
SATURDAY	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects</b>	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects</b>	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects</b>
SUNDAY	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects</b>	<b>Tutored:</b> Chinese Painting For Beginners 3-5pm \$15 per session Wei lun Ha 021 254 2983	<b>Available for Workshops, classes, projects</b>