



WSA Bulletin - 31 March 2026

The KHR Galleria in Matamata is now open with the inaugural exhibition being NZPPA 2026. The opening event went well and it was nice to see so many new faces at a WSA event. Please support this new opportunity if you are in the Matamata area.

A special thank you to Karl Reipen, owner of Villa Tuscany, for making this gallery space available to the WSA. Thank you to Karl and Christine for all their time and energy in getting this space ready for the first exhibition opening. Thank you to the volunteers who have offered to sit at the gallery while it is open.

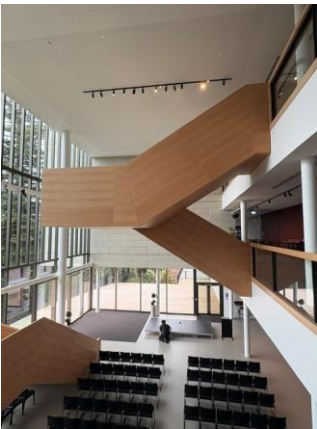
Hours are: Thursdays - Sundays: 11am - 3pm

The NZPAA exhibition runs at KHR Galleria from 28 March - 24 April 2026.
Villa Tuscany is located at 173 Okauia Spring Road, Matamata



A special WSA Members' BNZ Theatre tour was held last week and hosted by our patron Nancy Caiger. The tour was well attended and very informative, taking in several levels of the building - from the brightly-lit dressing rooms to the theatre and stage itself. Of special note was the Ralph Hotere painting hung on the Caiger

Landing, the beautiful wooden, suspended central staircase and the adaptability of the theatre hall. Having insight into the building's history and seeing some of the retained structural elements was a bonus. Thank you to Nancy, BNZ Theatre staff and of course - those WSA Members that attended.



WSA Members' Events

- **WSA Member's Night - save the date: Friday, 10 April: 5.30pm -7.00pm.**
An artist talk by Julia Christey will be held at 6.00pm.
- *If you know a business that would like to sponsor one of the evenings, or WSA activities, please email: julie@wsa.org.nz*

WSA April School Holiday Programme

Filling up fast. See our website for details: www.wsa.org.nz

No classes over Easter weekend

Term 2 enrolments are now open

New class: Acrylics 13-18 years, on Wednesdays.

Please enrol on WSA's website www.wsa.org.nz

Silver Metal Clay Workshop

Book now

Date: 02 May 2026

When: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Where: Studio 2

Tutor: Marcia Colquhoun

Price: \$220.00



Tutor Profile - Rosanne Croucher

Rosanne holds a Master of Design from Unitec in Auckland, and has over 12 years experience painting and selling her NZ oil landscapes. You can find her work online, or sold in Welcome Swallow Gallery and Inspirit Gallery. She has previously taught a beginners acrylic class for 2 years in Auckland. In recent years she has begun working with open acrylics, now selling small original acrylic works alongside her oil paintings.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Monday 13th April
Autumn Art & Clay

Tuesday 14th April
Soft Pastel Art & Foam Print Making

Wednesday 15th April
Collage & 3D Pop Up House Book

Thursday 16th April
Fridge Magnets & Water Colour

Friday 17th April
Craft Day

More Information
07 839 4481

Visit Our Website
www.wsa.org.nz

BOOK NOW



Rosanne Croucher

New class term 2: Acrylic painting on Tuesdays 9.30am - 11.30am, Studio 1.

Tutor Profile - *Joslyn Hobbis*

Joslyn is a painter who works beyond the traditional rectangular frame, exploring the tension between gestural, body-led marks and layered mechanical processes.

Her paintings feature splatter, smear, drip, crack, and fissure, with biomorphic shapes that push beyond conventional boundaries. Colour is central to her work—she favours bold, unexpected combinations, often revealing contrasting layers through cracking and experimentation. Joslyn studied at the University for the Creative Arts (UK) and Wintec Te Pūkenga in Kirikiriroa Hamilton, and has exhibited in London and across Aotearoa New Zealand. She holds a Master of Contemporary Art and was awarded the WSA Graduate Exhibition Award.

New class term 2: Teenage Art Skills 13-18 years, Wednesdays 4.00pm - 6.00pm



Joslyn Hobbis





Leo was painted by Rea Chandra as a task in the Exploring Art Techniques class (acrylic paint on canvas). According to Rea's mother she was going to organise her morning cup of tea at 5am and walked past the study and saw Leo sitting on a shelf contemplating his portrait. She grabbed her phone and the picture is the result. It has made us all smile.

Vivien Hendy (WSA Tutor)

Dates to note:

Annual WSA members exhibition dates: exhibition runs 3rd October - 26 October 2026. Opening at 3pm - 5pm. Limit 2 entries per member. Entry fee \$20 or \$30 for 2 entries.

This will be a selected exhibition so photos will be needed with your entry. Entries close 7 September 2026.

Exhibition and Gallery Space: 2028

2028 exhibition spaces are now filling up. If you or someone you know would like to enquire about a gallery booking - please email: wsa@wsa.org.nz . We also hire for events big or small, flexible days and times. We have many options so please email wsa@wsa.org.nz if you would like to know more.

Artspost HOURS

Mondays - Fridays: 9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturdays: 9.00am - 3.00pm

Sundays: CLOSED most Sundays;

Open 11.00am - 2.00pm on a Sunday following an exhibition opening

Public Holidays: CLOSED. **Easter weekend we are closed**

ARTSPOST Exhibitions, Events & Promotions

Becoming Air by Julia Christey

Last day: 11 April 2026

Becoming Air Julia Christey



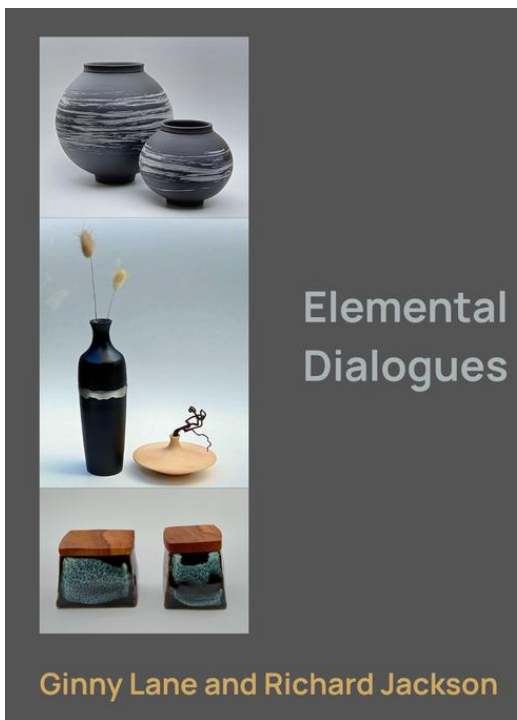
Face to Face to Cosmos by Peter Augustin

Last day: 11 April 2026



Elemental Dialogues by Ginny Lane and Richard Jackson

Last day: 11 April 2026



Form and Whenua by Rototuna Junior High School

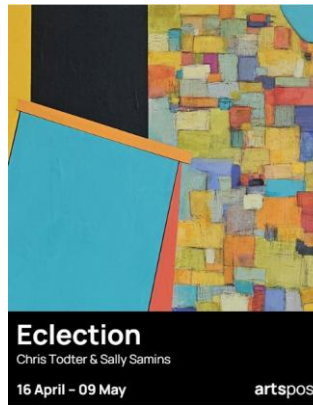
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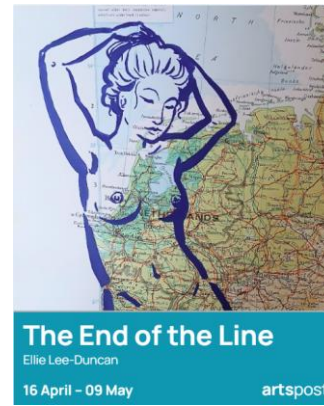
**Upcoming Exhibitions @ Artspost
16 April - 09 May 2026**



A Marked Land
Maree Wilson
16 April - 09 May
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Election
Chris Todter & Sally Samins
16 April - 09 May
artspost



The End of the Line
Ellie Lee-Duncan
16 April - 09 May
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Studio Stories
Hong & Class
16 April - 09 May
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MARK CURTIS
DEVOTION
NEW WORKS
Opening Preview
Thurs 16th April
5.30pm-7.00pm
16 April - 9 May
Mon-Fri: 9am-5pm
Sat: 9am-3pm
artspost
120 Victoria St, Hamilton

Other events around the Waikato & beyond

**GORDONTON
ART & DESIGN TRAIL**

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APRIL 2026**

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12th Hibiscus & Bays Art Awards

Hibiscus & Bays Local Board



Call for Entries!



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Mairangi Arts Centre is accepting entries for this prestigious juried exhibition. This annual awards exhibition, sponsored by Hibiscus Bays Local Board, celebrates artistic and creative practices in New Zealand. Exhibitors will be chosen by a selection panel to have their work on display in the 12th Hibiscus & Bays Arts Awards exhibition.

PRIZES INCLUDE:
 \$1000 (x3 Cash Prizes) *
 \$500 Maori Prize *
 21 & Under Artists Award & more
 * Includes exhibition opportunity

ENTRY DEADLINE:
 27th April 2026
EXHIBITION DATES:
 23 May – 13 June 2026
OPEN CEREMONY:
 Sat 23rd May, 12PM

Mairangi Arts Centre, 20 Hastings Rd, Mairangi Bay, Auckland

☎ 09 478 2237

🌐 www.mairangiarts.co.nz





**WAIKATO Decorative and Fine Arts Societ
(Waikato DFAS)**

presents a lecture on Oleksandr Bohomazov 1880-1930



"The Lost Futurist of Ukraine"



Thursday 9th April at 7.30 pm

Presented Online by James Butterwick (UK) at
The Performing Arts Centre, Southwell School,
Peachgrove Road, Hamilton. (Parking Available)

Come as a guest for only \$25.00 and enjoy a glass of wine and
an inspiring lecture, followed by refreshments and social hour.
Our programme for 2026 and further details about joining as a member c
found on our website: www.dfaswaikato.org.nz

**Artist's Talk with
Rick Rudd
MNZM**

6pm

Friday 1st May

Waikato Society of Potters,
Ward Park Arts Centre,
2 Seddon Rd, Hamilton

Entry by koha

All proceeds support the
Quartz Museum of Studio
Ceramics and its mission to
preserve, celebrate, and
uplift ceramic art in
Aotearoa.

Pot Luck dinner

Bring a kai to share, if you
have the capacity



The Waikato Society of Potters invites you to experience an
extraordinary evening with Rick Rudd – one of Aotearoa's most
acclaimed ceramic artists.

With a five-decade career, national and international exhibitions,
major awards, and works held in leading museums across the
motu, Rick is a true icon of New Zealand ceramics.

Founder of the Quartz Museum of Studio Ceramics—the
country's only dedicated studio ceramics museum—Rick
continues to shape and inspire the future of the craft.

Don't miss this rare chance to hear from a living legend of clay.



WSA Membership benefits include discounts from two of our local
cafes:

10% discount on food and coffee when you show your WSA
membership card



WSA Sponsors - with thanks!

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