



# The Botanical Art Society of New Zealand Inc

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## January 2009 Newsletter

Happy New Year to you all – we certainly have a busy year ahead with exhibitions and workshops. The Society is celebrating its 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday this April. A drinks evening to celebrate and give members the opportunity to meet Jenny Phillips will be held at 6.00 pm on Saturday, 25 April at our President, Helen Nutt's home, 36b Hackthorne Road. RSVP to [basnz@ihug.co.nz](mailto:basnz@ihug.co.nz) by March 25.

Congratulations to our member, Terrie Reddish, on being awarded a Gold Medal by the RHS at its recent exhibition.

### Meetings for 2009

Our first meeting for the year will be held on Wednesday, 11 February at the Edna Hanafin Room, Girl Guide Centre, 151 Cashmere Road, Cracroft. Meeting times will be 9.30 to 12.30. We have changed to new premises that have a more reasonable rental so that we can reduce our costs. Please note that there will be no meeting on Wednesday, 25 February.

2009 Meeting Calendar	
February 11	August 12 and 26
March 11 and 25	September 9 and 23
April 8 and 22	October 14 and 28
May 13 and 27	November 11 and 25
June 10 and 24	December 9
July 8 and 22	

### Upcoming Events

- **BOTANICA 2009 and Annual Members' Exhibition at CoCA, February 24 to March 14** –this year the society has accepted an invitation from CoCA to exhibit our work adjacent to the Margaret Stoddart Award exhibition. The exhibitions are part of the Festival of Flowers. Artists exhibiting paintings at this exhibition must deliver them personally to CoCA by **February 18** at the latest. There is an entry fee and CoCA will be selecting the paintings to be shown. The following information must be provided:
  - Artist's name
  - Title of Work, together with the botanical name of your subject plant
  - Historical information about your subject plant
  - Medium, eg, watercolour
  - Dimensions – the measurement in millimetres of the image, not the frame
  - Price (CoCA will take 33 1/3% commission)
  - Year the work was created
  - Contact details and bank account details for payment if your work sells.

The opening night of the BOTANICA 2009 exhibition is Tuesday, 24 February, at 5.30 pm. The opening will be held in the North Gallery, CoCA, 66 Gloucester Street, Christchurch. Telephone 366 7167, Fax: 64 3 366 7616, Email: [art@coqa.org.nz](mailto:art@coqa.org.nz).

- **Ellerslie International Flower Show, 11-15 March 2009**

The subcommittee has continued to work very hard preparing the Society's exhibit for this show. We have qualified to enter and have prepared a brief, theme and plan drawn to scale of our proposed exhibit. The Society's exhibit is self funded and we have secured sponsorships and grants. We are grateful to the following sponsors for making our exhibit possible:

Creative NZ, Christchurch City Council	\$1,332.00 for the preparation of the paintings to be exhibited at the Show
Downies Flowers 9 O'Shannessey Place Addington (off Whiteleigh Avenue)	\$300 for fresh cut flowers to create a New Zealand style Old Dutch master painting
Ellerslie International Flower Show	\$200 to print our promotional leaflet
House & Garden Limited 8 Hansons Lane Riccarton	For the supply of hundreds of plants including wheki tree ferns, pittosporums, hebes, petunias and daisies
Errol Stoop 150A Brookside Terrace Bryndwr	For the propagation of filler plants for our exhibit including bacopa
Jenny Hughes Styx Mill Nursery 185 Cavendish Road, Redwood	For preparing the final design of our exhibit
Veylands Nursery 112 Hackthorne Road Cashmere	For the supply of 66 native ferns and pittosporums

Artists have been working during the year to prepare large paintings for the exhibit. The paintings measuring 56 x 76 cm have been quite a challenge. Artists are asked to deliver their Ellerslie paintings by 11 February direct to:

Yesteryear Prints  
76 Malcolm Avenue  
Christchurch  
Tel: 332 2028, Fax: 332 2028, Email: [yesteryear@xtra.co.nz](mailto:yesteryear@xtra.co.nz)

- **One Day Exhibition for the Cancer Society, Kate Sheppard's Historic Home, 73 Clyde Road, Fendalton, March 6** - If you want to display and sell your cards at this exhibition, please bring them packaged in their cellophane sleeves to the first meeting on 11 February 2009. Please notify Irene Blair (Tel: 351 6606 or [Irene.mcbryde@xtra.co.nz](mailto:Irene.mcbryde@xtra.co.nz)) of the price and title of your paintings by March 2. Paintings for this exhibition must be delivered to 83 Clyde Road by March 5. The Exhibition managers are Julia Burbury (Tel: 348 0597 and Fay Beckingsale (Tel: 344 1663).

### Workshop Updates

**Jenny Phillips, April 20 to 23, 2009** – the workshop dates have now been confirmed and we are delighted that there are one or two places available.. The cost of the workshop is \$500 for members, and \$550 for non members. If you haven't registered for this workshop, please send your deposit of \$200 to Irene Blair, Treasurer, P O Box 29568, Fendalton, Christchurch. Final payment is required by 14 February 2009.



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## February Update

### Regular Meetings

We had our first meeting this week at our new venue, the Edna Hanafin Room, Girl Guide Centre, 151 Cashmere Road, Cracroft. Everyone agreed that the room is very cosy and the garden setting is lovely and relaxing.

The Ellerslie Flower Show starts on Wednesday, March 11, which was to be our next meeting date. As many of us will be working at Ellerslie that day or are rostered on during the event, we have cancelled the March 11 meeting. **Our next Wednesday morning meeting will now be on March 25 from 9.30 to 12.30 pm.** We will be working on chestnut conkers. Hope to see you there.

Here's an updated meeting calendar for you.

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March 25	August 12 and 26
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### Cancellation of March 6 Exhibition

The Society's planned one day exhibition, that was to have been held on Friday, March 6, in conjunction with the NZ House & Garden fundraiser for the Cancer Society, has been cancelled. The fundraising event at Julia Burbury's home, 83 Clyde Road, is proceeding but without our involvement.

### Reminders

- **Jenny Phillips Workshop, 20 to 23 April inclusive**
  - Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity. To secure a place, please contact Helen Nutt on [basnz@ihug.co.nz](mailto:basnz@ihug.co.nz).
  - The workshop fee of \$500 *is due for payment on 15 February 2009*. Please send your cheque to the Treasurer, P O Box 29568, Fendalton, Christchurch, 8540.
- **BOTANICA 2009 and Annual Members' Exhibition at CoCA, February 24 to March 14** - Paintings for this exhibition must be delivered to CoCA, 66 Gloucester Street, Christchurch, **no later than 18 February.**
- **Society's Anniversary Function, Saturday, 25 April at 6.00 pm, 36b Hackthorne Road** - please RSVP to [basnz@ihug.co.nz](mailto:basnz@ihug.co.nz) by March 25.
- **Society Exhibition at Ellerslie Flower Show, March 11-15** - Would exhibitors please let Helen Nutt know at [basnz@ihug.co.nz](mailto:basnz@ihug.co.nz) whether you would prefer to collect your painting at our next regular meeting on 25 March or directly from Yesteryear Print.