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Hi Creatives and Welcome to the May/June 2017 Newsletter!

Important Dates:

CSI Business and Stategic Planning – Questionnaire closes Friday 19th May – Please use direct link:

<https://goodthinking1.wufoo.eu/forms/creative-samford-inc-questionnaire/>

We need all members and interested parties to please provide their input.

Artist Gathering and Trails Meeting - Sunday 21st May, 2017: at Dianne Minnaar's Studio – Sanctus Sacred Images, 1 Cormorant Close, Cashmere at 9am. Please bring a plate to share! **All Trails participants please try to attend** to receive your Trails packs with WPH&S info, survey sheets, signs etc. If you cannot attend, please contact Nicki (above email) to arrange a time to get your Trails pack.

Arts Trail and Open Studios – Every Weekend in June, 10am – 4pm unless specified otherwise in booklets and maps. NOTE: Booklets and maps available at Slab Hut, MBRC Info Centres and Libraries. Also from Rachael – please contact her. Also from website www.creativesamford.com

Sunday 23rd July, 2:30 pm “Interview With an Artist” This is an exciting event for CSI members, friends and the General Public. Please rsvp to Janina Liddell (janinaliddellart@live.com.au) by 25th June so that an appropriate venue can be booked. See more below.

AGM: 9th April. Jenni Meek was elected Secretary and Pia Robinson as Committee member. No other people nominated. Financial statement accepted. Minutes available by contacting Jenni

Gen Meeting: 9th April. Minutes available: contact Jenni.

Launch Party : 5th May - A very enjoyable evening! Over 160 people attended. 35 mini art works and 10 auction items sold. Profits from the night were approx \$1600, making it a very successful fundraising event. This was not the only goal however, and we were also very successful in promoting the Trail, publically thanking our sponsors, connecting with State and Local government, connecting artists with each other and the public. A HUGE “Thank You!” to Geeta Harmon, Nicki Marsh, Kathy Sydes and all the many many helpers on the night. Members worked tirelessly to set-up, cater, serve, keep kitchen running, washing up, serving drinks, meeting/greeting, receiving money – so many jobs, done so well. A special thank you also to Lisa (aka Lola Velour) and Stuart for the entertainment and music. (And John Sydes for brewing, serving and donating beer!).

Missing - Apron from Launch: Cream coloured with orange ties "gift expert" on pocket.
(Wendy S)

Unsold mini artworks can be collected from Helen at the Arts Train at the following times. Please contact her (0431729976) in advance to ensure she is aware you are coming!

Wednesday 3 til 5.45pm
Thursday 9 - 12
Friday 9-12
Every Saturday 9-10am
Every second Saturday 9-1 (20th May is next one)

Arts Trail - Wendy S, Rachael and Nicki are doing an amazing job with signage, banners, publicity and promotions. Thanks to the team distributing booklets and flyers to the Samford, Mt G and Dayboro Cafes and sponsors.

Contact Rachael (0447582940) if you wish to pick up booklets, maps or flyers. We are keeping a spreadsheet of distribution points to keep this year's promotions as efficient and effective as possible.

Thanks also to Rachael for website: booklets and maps have now been loaded. Rachael has spent many many hours creating and maintaining our beautiful new website.

Thanks again to Cath Appleton and Melissa Hanwright (Design Spot), John Hudson (Prime Pixels Media) for signs, booklets and maps. We went way over allocated hours to get map updates, business card size adverts etc right for this year's map. Melissa was very generous with her time in keeping to budget. Cath again donated her time entirely free to get a beautiful booklet produced.

Display Stands are available for hire. Nominal hire fee \$20 for the month of June, please contact Rachael or Helen for more details. We are making enquiries re the lighting system; these might not be available in time.

Trail Participation Fees are overdue!! Please pay by direct deposit asap.

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Please note:

Nicki Marsh - after 2 years as Trails Co-ordinator is stepping down. Cath Appleton – after 3 years of producing our Trails Booklets is also stepping down. Our sincere thanks to both of you for the hundreds of hours you have dedicated to Creative Samford's Arts Trail!

If you wish CSI to be able to run this amazing event in the future please consider the role of Co-ordinator or joining a team of enthusiastic people to make this happen. Please contact Nicki with your interest.

CSI Business and Strategic Planning- The Committee had an all day workshop with Stephen Clark on Sat 13th May to continue this important process for our group. Your input is vital to provide meaningful feedback for our future direction. **Please ensure you have made your contribution by completing the Questionnaire (see above for link) by this Friday 19th May.**

Maker's Festival – Planning continues for this event in late October in conjunction with Samford Commons. Pia will have important news on this and an update will be sent soon.

Samford Commons: - Sally Jones and Kathy Sydes have represented CSI for the last 9+ months at Precinct Co-ordinators and General Meetings and are standing down as CSI reps. Thanks to other members who have also attended Gen Meetings. It is not fair to expect Pia and Wendy S to attend all future meetings so please contact Kathy (Kathy.sydes@gmail.com) if you are able to attend a meeting or 2. Thanks Janina for June Gen Meeting. (Precinct Meetings – the first Wednesday of the month, Gen Meetings the 4th Wed of the month.)

Guest Speaker: (Thanks to Janina for organising this wonderful opportunity!) **“Interview with an Artist”**

Joe Furlonger is a Samford artist of much fame throughout Australia. Joe has agreed to an interview and question and answer session for Creative Samford members at 2.30 pm on Sunday 23rd July - venue to be determined when we have an idea of numbers wishing to attend.

Joe Furlonger began showing with the Ray Hughes Gallery in Brisbane in 1984. Winner of the Moet & Chandon Fellowship in 1988, and the Fleurieu Art Prize for Landscape in 2002, nine time finalist in the Archibald. Joe's work has often been accepted into the Wynne Prize. Joe Furlonger is regarded as one of Australia's most respected landscape painters. His work is represented in the Australian National Gallery, Canberra; The National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne; The Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane; The Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney; The Powehouse Museum, Sydney, as well as many private collections.

Joe's work will be exhibited in Brisbane at the Heiser Gallery at 90 Arthur Street in Fortitude Valley from 11 July - 5 August this year so Creative Samford members have the opportunity to view his work either before or after the 'Interview of an Artist'.

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Upcoming Events:

- **Moreton Bay region Arts Awards** – Launch night this Friday 19th May. Events runs 20th -28th May please follow link:
www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/subsite.aspx?id=152098&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Invite&utm_campaign=Arts+Invite&utm_content
- **“Cultivating the Arts” – Indigenous Arts** – please go to the link for more info:
www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/cultivate-the-arts/intensive/

Applications must be received by 10.00am on Monday 22 May 2017. Up to 12 participants will be selected.

- (My apologies for not getting out the notice re Sat 13th May Cultivating Arts Workshop - ‘Opportunities for Artists in the Region’. I believe it was well attended.)

You can catch up on any news via previous newsletters at our beautiful new website
www.creativesamford.com