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Beaudesert U3A Inc. Newsletter

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Beaudesert University of the Third Age

This special edition features the upcoming **Beaudesert U3A Art** Exhibition and the various preparations required

Here is your very own **Member's Invitation** to the Gala Opening on Friday 1st June. We hope you will come. Please RSVP as indicated below.

Beaudesert U3A

First Sydney had the Archibalds, then Brisbane had the Matisse Collection, now Beaudesert U3A proudly invites

You, as an Honoured Member, and your Guest(s)

To the Gala Opening Night of Our Inaugural Art Exhibition

On Friday 1th June at 6.30 for 7 pm, to be held at the Lyrebird Gallery,

Arts and Information Centre, Beaudesert.

Glass of Wine or Juice served on arrival. Finger food to be served during evening.

The exhibition will feature various art forms by members of the Beaudesert USA including Painting, Photography, Mosaics, Pottery, and Jewellery

RSVP by Friday 25th May

To PO Bax 561 Beaudesert 4285 or u3abeaudesert@gmail.com

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If you are unable to attend, please find time to drop into the Arts and Information Centre to have a coffee and admire the work of your fellow members on display. The exhibition runs until 15th June.

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Preparations for the BEAUDESERT U3A ART EXHIBITION June 1 till June 15 at the Lyrebird Gallery, Arts and Information Centre.

Gala Opening

As you can see from your invitation on page 1, there will be an opening event on the evening of **Friday**, **June 1**,and all members (plus guests) are invited to attend. A glass of wine or juice will be served on arrival.

Coffee and additional wine will be available during the evening for a **gold coin donation**.

Catering:

We plant to serve finger food at the event, and we would be grateful if all members would **bring a plate** of finger food to the party.

Please bring your finger food contribution - on disposable plates - with you on the night!

Finger-food types recommended:

- HHot savouries
- SSandwiches
- CCheese and biscuits
- NNibbles
- CCakes and slices.

When you respond to your invitation, please indicate what type of finger food you plan to bring

We may need further help with staffing and gala party arrangements. Contact Margaret to offer assistance.

Does anyone have a portable oven we can borrow?

Can we have the loan of a portable oven for warming hot savouries? Please contact Margaret or Val if you can help.

This should be the party of the year, so book your place and make every effort to attend and support your U3A!

Art Exhibition

All members are encouraged to come to the Gala Opening and participate in the exhibition. Any U3A member wishing to display your artwork, should register your intent with a

member of the Expo Committee listed below.

Exhibition arrangements are as follows:

- PPaintings, photographs and other works of art must be brought to the Gallery on Friday, June 1 between 9 am and 11am. If you cannot bring your work personally, please arrang for someone else to deliver your work.
- WWork must be collected on Friday, June 15 between 9 am and 11am
- IAt this stage you may hang up to 3 works. All works to be hung must be framed ready for hanging
- AAll work must be identified, and your signature piece marked so that it can be optimally displayed.
- IThere will be some paperwork to complete on arrival. You will be given an identity number, and each item you enter will be numbered. Each item will have a sticker with IDs and price. (You need to indicate a sale price or if the item is to be held. (Items not for sale will be marked appropriately) If you would like to sell your work, please indicate the selling price. Note the Lyrebird Gallery charges a 25% commission for sales, and you must consider this when determining price.

The **Expo Committee** is as follows: Margaret Kendrick (Chair) (Mosaics and Paintings)

Carol Rustichelli (Grants and Photography)
Val Chapman (Grants, Photography, Publicity
Rose Duffy (Hanging Committee and Paintings)
Chris Purtle (Hanging Committee and Paintings)
Rose Flanagan (Hanging Committee and
Paintings)

Jean Stevens (Catalogue, Newsletter) Peter Chapman (Publicity, Design)

Apart from paintings, photography and mosaics we have submissions for pottery and jewellery. So far we have 17 nominations. Please join us!



The Rest of the News

Welcome to New Members

The Management and Membership of the Beaudesert U3A extend a big welcome to the following new members:

Gay Enright
Georgine Ahmat

Judy West Colin Tilley Merv Ozanne Vera Ozanne Betty Hayes

We hope your association with the Beaudesert U3A will be a long and fruitful one for both you and the group.

This brings our 2012 membership to 79 with 34 new members this year.



VISIT TO THE ART GALLERY

On Wednesday 18th April the U3A Art Appreciation Group set out on a trip to the "big smoke". The Qld. Art Gallery was holding an exhibition called 'Modern Woman', Daughters and Lovers 1850-1918 made up of drawings from the Musee D'Orsay, Paris. Eight members made the trip some travelling all the way by car and others going to Browns Plains by car and thence by bus. No matter how we travelled we were all looking forward to our 'treat'. After a luscious morning tea we joined one of the organised tours around the exhibition. Our guide was the best I have encountered with tales of the exhibits and their artists.

So much did we enjoy the experience that it was decided to have lunch and return for a slower and closer look at the drawings. The mediums used for the drawings were varied and I was personally drawn to the pastels, some of which defied belief that they were executed in this medium.

All who attended agreed that it was one of the best exhibitions we had attended and the travelling (by whatever means) well worthwhile.

Tricia Edward

Thoughts on Monday Morning with the Computer Group

The former Leagues Club building in Beaudesert has been transferred into a hub of activity since Centacare opened up shop there. And now that U3A (University of the Third Age) has opened up a local branch, parking spots are well taken up as I arrive a little late in the Stargarden's bus. At least there is adequate space left in the no standing area for the bus to stop and so allow the loading ramp to be lowered for me.

Wheelchair bound since my accident in September 2009, I rely on help to get around. Sadly, Beaudesert has not yet caught up with making the town a bit more user friendly for the disabled. Many shops are not accessible and cross-overs from a footpath to the road are often too steep and can be a bit daunting to use. Hopefully this will improve as time goes by.

Once inside, I can see twelve participants in the computer course busy giving each other advice and with helpful tips, this makes the electronic age just that bit easier to grasp for them all. Mostly people aged sixty and over find U3A helpful. The concept to support each other makes members with previous experiences become tutors as well. Good discussions can lead to be better equipped and understand more about working with a computer. The added benefit of a casual structured emphasis makes even the more quiet of a group soon warm up and take part in helping with solutions to problems that they may have.

The two hour sessions come all too soon to an end, the cup of coffee is welcomed to lubricate the tonsils to be able to speak up louder if the need arises. I find the participation interesting and it opens doors to form friendships that otherwise may not have been possible.

U3A offers many different courses on a variety of subjects. Members can attend any of them at no extra cost other than one only modest annual membership fee and a gold coin for coffee etc. per session.

Outings or 'field trips' attract extra charges but are well worth it.

Martin Zaugg, Beaudesert



Martin

INTERESTED IN USING EBAY?

On Monday 21st May at 10am Lynn O'Connor will be visiting the Computer Group to explain the intricacies of using Ebay to both sell and purchase items. There have been requests for this information and the Computer Group would welcome anyone interested in learning more about it to attend in The Bistro at Centacare.

Art Appreciation Meeting Wednesday 16th May

The next meeting will be held in the Bistro at Centacare at 10am. We will be exploring the GoogleArtProject and visiting such wonderful places as the National Gallery in Canberra and the Musee D'Orsay in Paris.

The Limners Art Group

Terry O'Connor will be at the Limner's on Wednesday 9th May to delve further into sketching.

Genealogy NEW ACTIVITY FOR 3RD TERM

As a result of the Writing Family History course held in term 1 this year, I perceived an interest in genealogy in general. If there is enough interest I would be prepared to get together with a group interested in genealogy in general to assist those wishing to trace their family. I have been tracing my family for over ten years now and have enjoyed every minute of my search. It is envisaged that we would meet once a month and also that trips to research facilities on a group basis could be organised. Anyone interested in participating in this group should contact me so that arrangements can be made to reserve a time and place to meet.

Tricia Edward Ph. 5544 1462 or email shikeo@bigpond.com.

Men's Health Week Expo

The Beaudesert Men's Shed will be holding a Men's Health Week Expo at the Men's Shed, 44 Brisbane Street, Beaudesert on Tuesday 12th June from 10am to 2pm.

Men's Health Week is a celebration of the positive roles men and boys play in our society, as well as an examination of environments that are leading to adverse male health outcomes.

Displays will include information stalls, free health checks (blood pressure, sugar etc.), demonstrations, referrals , and other activities

All welcome, free sausage sizzle available. Contact ph. 5541 1653 for further information.

Date Claimers:

1st June – 3rd June Health & Active Expo at Wyaralong 5/6th June – U3A Network AGM and Conference 12th June – Men's Shed Health Expo

Check out Bernie's Blog on www.beaudesert-u3a-wisdom.blogspot.com.au.



Thanks to Our Sponsors

Many thanks to our sponsors for their ongoing support:







Healthy & Active Community Expo

To be held on 3rd June between 10am & 2pm at Moto Park, Goan Road, Wyaralong.

Organised by the Scenic Rim Regional Council as part of Queensland Day celebrations. Featuring programs promoting activities contributing to the well-being on the community.

Hennie, Margaret, Peter and Val will be in attendance at a stall promoting Beaudesert U3A's activities.

We would welcome your support on the day.

Beaudesert U3A Time-Table: Term 2 2012

Day	Start- Time	Morning Session	Venue	Start-Time	Afternoon Session	Venue
Monday	10 am 16 th April	Computer Group Weekly 10 – noon	Centa care	1.30 pm 16th April	Camera Club 3 rd Monday of each month. 1.30 – 4 pm	Centa care
				1.30 pm 16th April	Mosaics Weekly 1.30 – 4pm	20 Lincoln Court
				1.30 pm 30 th April	Self-Publishing 1.30 – 3.30 By arrangement	Centa care
Tues day	9 am	Art Group 1 Fellowship of Artists No new enrolments	Tennis Club	2.30 10 th April	Line Dancing Weekly 2.30 – 4pm	Uniting Church Hall
	9.30 10 th April	Discussion Group Weekly 9.30 – 11.30	Centa care			
Wednes day	9 am 11th April	Art Group 2 The Limners Weekly 9am-noon	Centa care		3-3	
	10 am* 18th April	Art Appreciation 3 rd Wednesday of each month Nominally 10-12 noon*	Centa care/ excursion			
Friday	tba 16 th Mar	Recipe Club Third week of each month	Members homes	12 noon 10 th Feb	Jigsaw Library Exchange Phone in advance	20 Lincoln Court

All courses are held at the Centacare rooms, 6–12 Peterson Street, Beaudesert, unless otherwise indicated.

All participants must be paid up members of Beaudesert U3A (\$25.00) per annum (couples \$40.00) and each session has a minimum fee of \$2.00 towards Centacare expenses (tea/coffee, aircon etc). If necessary extra Course costs for photocopying will be set by Tutors.

Course Co-ordinator: Margaret Kendrick Phone 5541 0745 Email: margaretnorah@gmail.com

