

GRESFORD COMMUNITY GALLERY



NEWSLETTER JUNE 2026

Greetings Gresford Community Gallery artists and friends

Gresford Community Gallery Updates:

The Gallery will be holding its **WINTER EXHIBITION** opening celebration on **Sunday 12th JULY 2- 4pm.** – mark it on your calendar. The show will feature new vibrant works by our artists and will feature new artists who have joined the gallery.

Please drop by to view an exciting array of contemporary and traditional Hunter Valley artists' work. The exhibition includes a great variety of quality art and craft, featuring painting, drawing, sculptures, ceramics, photography, fibre art, glass work, jewellery and Stained Glass/lead light work.

Gallery hours: Weekends 10am-4pm.

PHOTOS - MAY SKETCH CLUB



May Sketch Club at the gallery was an amazing event, with star of the day- *Lucky* the Macaw and his owner Helen modelling. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon's drawing.



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12 PARK ST EAST GRESFORD NSW. WEEKENDS: 10am - 4pm.

PHOTOS MAY SKETCH CLUB PLEIN AIR AT OLD DUNINALD.

Gresford Community Gallery held May Sketch Club at Old Duninald, Paterson. a Plein Air painter's paradise. We were spoilt for choice - Historic old buildings, landscape, a billabong with reflections, flora and fauna. We will certainly be making a booking again. Photographs courtesy of Christine Pike and Julia Wokes.



SKETCH CLUB DAYS JUNE 2026.

The gallery hosts two Sketch Clubs in 2026 each month. One Plein Air, visiting inspiring scenic locations in the Huner Valley, and Still Life / figurative held at the gallery. Everyone enjoys the creative, friendly atmosphere. Please join us at the next event, all welcome – beginners and professionals.



SKETCH CLUB - JUNE PLEIN AIR

SUNDAY 17th June 2026 Time: 10am - 3pm.

Meet at Gresford Community Gallery, 12 Park St. East Gresford at 9.30 am. for a 9.45 am. departure to Clydesdale horses and views at a Torryburn location. Stay till 3 pm.

Inspirational Australian artists – Harold Septimus Power.

BYO your own art materials, lunch with a reminder to wear closed in walking shoes (we are on a rural property with uneven ground), there will be a veranda to work from should it rain, hat, water, mug, sunscreen, chair. Our location offers great scenic views, heavy horses (who will have their rugs off), bush - another truly inspirational location.

Cost: \$10 Hosted by artist Christine Pike. Enquiries: galleriesresfordcommunity@gmail.com Ph: 0428 271 819 Christine Pike.



STILL LIFE held at Gresford Community Gallery, 12 Park St. East Gresford.

SUNDAY 28th JUNE 2026 Time: 1 – 4pm.

Inspiration from Australian artist Jude Rae & Robert Hannaford.

Beginners guide to sketching starts 12 noon. – Materials and Portraits.

Please bring own art equipment. Afternoon tea provided. Cost: \$10

Hosted by artist Christine Pike. Enquiries: Ph:0428 271 819.

The Gallery has a Face Book and Instagram page which will give regular news and updates of the Gallery's forthcoming events. Please Like and follow our page Link:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61555506220944>

https://www.instagram.com/gresford_community_gallery/

KIDS ART CLUB

Free Art Sunday for children at Gresford Community Gallery.

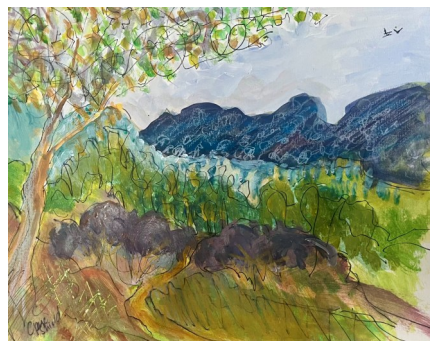
On the third Sunday of the month between **11am and 2pm.**

June 21st. Come and make some simple wooden toys that don't require batteries.

Hosted by artist Dawn Thompson. Enquiries: Dawn 0428924800

During these hours children of primary school age accompanied by an adult will be able to use the art equipment supplied to create their own art. Our friendly Gallery helpers will be on hand to assist.

FEATURED GALLERY ARTIST FOR JUNE GAYE SHIELD



Gaye Shield is an award winning artist who lives and works in Dungog, in the Hunter Valley.

Gaye has been exhibiting her art for thirty years, with high lights being a finalist in the Norvill Art Prize and Winning CRAG Art Prize 2019. Gaye uses the local community and her love for nature as inspiration.

"I began drawing at an early age and I remember many hours spent colouring in my mother's

recipe books. My grandmother wanted to encourage my artistic talent and bought me an oil

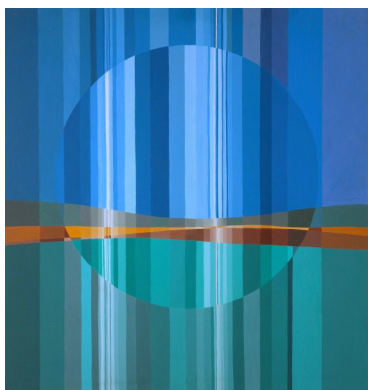
painting box when I was eleven. This was great encouragement for me and later on I attended Grafton Technical College for lessons in oil painting.

Painting is my passion and has been for as long as I can remember. I care deeply for those things around me – people, animals and the landscape – and I love to bring my representation of them alive for the viewer, often with a bit of humour, through use of colour and a variety of mediums. I have been painting since the age of 11 and exhibiting for more than 30 years."

Gaye's work is available at Gresford Community Gallery.

EXHIBITING ARTISTS 2026

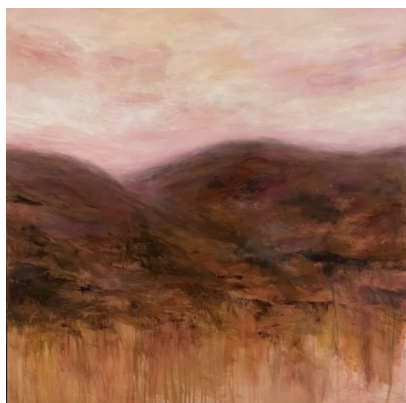
ALICE ROPATA	JOANNA GREENWOOD	CHLOE HOOPER
JOHN BARNES	KYLIE WEEDON	DOROTHEE HEIBEL
GAVIN FRY	GILLIAN WADDELL	RODERICK STANGER
BARBARA NANSHE	LIBBY CUSICK	JANELLE GOLDMAN
ERIC WERKHOVEN	CHERIE PLATEN	TERRY HOLDOM
ROBYN WERKHOVEN	CECILY GRACE	SUZANNE MORRISON
DAWN THOMPSON	GEORGIA HORACEK	LOUISE REES
SANDRA LEE BROWN	PETER RONNE	MARGOT BROUG
SUE STEWART	MICHAEL GARTH	JUDY HENRY
HELENE LEANNE	LAURENCE THORSSELL	CHEL KING
GAYE SHIELD	ROS ELKIN	JEANNE HARRISON
WENDY JOHNSON	PEARL MOON	
BERNADETTE MEYERS	MICHELE HEIBEL	



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SANDRA LEE BROWN



JANELLE GOLDMAN



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CHLOE HOOPER



TERRY HOLDOM

If you would love to join our team as a volunteer, meet artists and learn about their art practices and enjoy the world of art, please contact us! gallerygresfordcommunity@gmail.com

12 Park Street East Gresford NSW 2311

Saturday & Sunday 10am - 4pm.

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