

# SCULPERE

SCULPERE NEWSLETTER ASSOCIATION OF SCULPTORS OF VICTORIA INC.  
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*'In the Service of Sculpture'*



## DECEMBER ASV 2023

“Sculpture is an art of the open air. Daylight, sunlight, is necessary to it, and for me, its best setting and complement is nature.”  
**Henry Moore**

### President's Message

*If I wanted to summarise the ASV activities for 2023 I would probably run you a repeat of the president's report at the Annual General Meeting. To save you the pain of going over that I'll post a sound file against the slide show in the [November newsletter](#).*

So, looking forward - we lead 2024 with the exhibition in the pavilion at McClelland Gallery. I've just experienced the selection panel reducing 105 entries to 69 sculptures to be exhibited! This harrowing experience reminds me of the salon des refusées back in the day.



So for anyone within visiting range of McClelland Sculpture Park and Gallery - I'll see you in January in the lovely, airy pavilion. Access is great - on grade from the carpark, with Harry's café onsite, the whole sculpture park to explore and John Meade's exhibition in the main galleries - inspiration and relaxation in one delightful offering. It's no wonder we had such a great response to our call for entries.

Remember that entries are open for the Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show already - we do have a great lineup of opportunities for 2024 - plus the fact that meetings and activities bring us together as friends and fellow sculptors - for mutual support, inspiration and a bit of laughter.

Season's Greetings to you and yours - happy sculpting

Jenny Rickards



## DIARY DATES

<b>McClelland Exhibition</b>	<p><i>An exhibition of our work at McClelland Sculpture park and Gallery</i></p> <p><b>January 17 to 28, 2024</b></p> <p>ASV will present <b>"Form + Philosophy"</b> - sculpture from living Victorian sculptors in all their diversity of philosophy, media and expression.</p>
<b>MIFGS</b>	<p>The <b>Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show</b> dates are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MIFGS 20<sup>th</sup> of March to the 24<sup>th</sup> of March 2024</li></ul> <p><a href="https://sculptorsvictoria.asn.au/exhibitions/application_forms">https://sculptorsvictoria.asn.au/exhibitions/application_forms</a>.</p>

## ASV EXHIBITIONS

**"I am happy to support a new coordinator.** This is your exhibition and the highlight of ASV exhibiting year. We need you. Please help out."

*More hands = Light Work*

**If you are happy to help out, please call Gillian Govan on 0412122884.**

**It's almost time for our wonderful, special exhibition in January!**

Exhibition of Sculpture

presented by the

**Association of Sculptors of Victoria**

## Form + Philosophy

Sarah and Baillieu Myer Pavilion,  
McClelland Sculpture Park & Gallery,  
390 McClelland Dr, Langwarrin

17 to 28 January 2024

Gallery hours:  
Wed to Sun 10am to 5pm

Opening celebration  
Saturday 20 January 2 to 4 pm

Opening Address by  
Dr John Meade, Honorary Fellow,  
Faculty of Fine Arts and Music,  
University of Melbourne



John  
Bishop  
"Swirl"

## McClelland Gallery

The Gallery offers professionally curated exhibitions - always valuable for their thoughtful and perceptive takes on art and life in Victoria.

**The Sarah and Baillieu Myer Pavilion** can be an education space, an event space and from 17 to 28 January 2024 will host the Association of Sculptors of Victoria exhibition **"Form + Philosophy"**



## SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

The social Media team has been very busy with promoting ASV shows and calls for artists. But, did you know we are very happy to promote any information, and any image you provide, to promote you personally, or exhibitions/ open studios you are in??

Social Media is a way to get information out for free, to a wide public. The more interesting our page is, the more people will follow us- so it is good for the ASV to promote ALL our artists. And it's good for you to promote yourself, your art, or your shows...

Send all your information to: [ASVsocialmedia@gmail.com](mailto:ASVsocialmedia@gmail.com)

And... If anyone would have photos of themselves working on something, a portrait, or even (dare I hope) a short video of themselves working, or just their studio?

All these things are super popular in our posts.

Post with artists in them, draw more reactions than 'only' artwork.

If you could create a short video on your phone of yourself/ your studio- please send it to me!!

A few videos would be even better. I can cut and edit :-)

The 'team' is always looking for support and content- especially during shows. People on the ground who take photos, or people who just like writing a short piece. (As in a few lines)

We can plan and post- so it's not scary !

**Aukje and Chris**

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Trails Sculpture Prize Portland**

entries open 6th Nov/ close 2nd Feb

<https://trailsartprize.com/entry>



**TRAILS**  
SOUTH WEST VIC SCULPTURE EXHIBITION

**ENTRIES NOW OPEN**

**Get ready for Trails 2024!**

The 2024 Trails exhibition will run from 23 March – 22 April 2024 and again includes two categories – **Main Trail** and **Miniatures**. Artists may enter both categories and there is great potential to be a finalist, with up to 50 artworks in the exhibition. We encourage all artists, established and emerging, to participate.



**2024 Prize pool:**  
\$5000 1st Prize sponsored by the Port of Portland (Main Trail)  
\$2000 2nd Prize (Main Trail)  
\$2000 1st Prize (Miniature)  
\$1000 People's Choice sponsored by AWA Alliance Bank (Main or Miniatures)

## INTERESTING ART

**Don't forget to check out the art exhibitions at the McClelland Gallery**

<https://mcclelland.org.au/events/through-their-eyes>

<https://mcclelland.org.au/exhibitions>

<https://www.instagram.com/p/Cy6qWiBMTT5/?igshid=MTc4MmM1Yml2Ng==>

**Underwater Reef Sculptures**

[https://au.news.yahoo.com/underwater-sculpture-trail-plays-role-190720961.html?soc\\_src=social-sh&soc\\_trk=ma](https://au.news.yahoo.com/underwater-sculpture-trail-plays-role-190720961.html?soc_src=social-sh&soc_trk=ma)

Abbotsford Convent is a great place to visit

[What's on at Abbotsford Convent - performances, festivals, classes, more!](#)

Gasworks Midsumma

<https://gasworks.org.au/whats-on?event-category%5B0%5D=8>

If you are travelling in 2024, this could be a great place to stop

<https://www.lakelightsculpture.com.au/>

Neerim Bower Sculpture Show

[Neerim Bower Sculpture Show and Acquisition - Visit Melbourne](#)

Information about the Melbourne Prize

[https://www.melbourneprize.org/wp-content/uploads/MP2023\\_Newsletter.pdf](https://www.melbourneprize.org/wp-content/uploads/MP2023_Newsletter.pdf)

## MEMBERS' NEWS

Please email me to share your artistic endeavours, click on my name.

Carmel Ritchie

Our ASV Christmas party was well attended and the weather was kind.

Thank you for coming and making the day wonderful.

Merry Christmas to you all and your families.



## NEW MEMBERS

The ASV has welcomed many new artists into our organisation this year.

Hopefully we will all enjoy seeing your work at our upcoming exhibitions.

**Committee Members:** ASV Committee 2023-2024

<http://sculpternewsletter.blogspot.com/p/asv-office-bearers.html>

<p><b><i>President</i></b> Jenny Rickards <b><i>Vice President</i></b> Yvonne Monik</p>	<p><b><u>Committee Members</u></b> Yvonne Monik Aukje van Vark Carmel Ritchie</p>	<p><b><i>ASV Activities Coordinators</i></b> Gillian Govan <b><i>Membership</i></b> John Ride, Anne Anderson</p>
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<p><b>Treasurer</b> John Ride 0414 389 578 <b>Secretary and Public Officer</b> Gunnel Watkins John Bishop</p>	<p>Susie Ashkenazi Anne Anderson Chris Anderson Paul Cacioli <b>Exhibitions:</b> <b>Annual: Gillian Govan and Paul Cacioli</b> and helpers</p> <p><b>MIFGS:</b> Paul Cacioli <b>Tesselaar:</b> John Bishop and helpers (Not this year.)</p>	<p><b>WebSite Contact:</b> Jenny Rickards 0418971897 <b>Newsletter:</b> Carmel Ritchie 0414 996 207 <a href="mailto:carmel001@bigpond.com">carmel001@bigpond.com</a> <b>Social Media:</b> Aukje van Vark</p>
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