



## SPECIAL NEWS

**Calling all artists and art groups** – Sturt is keen to hear from any artists working in the mediums of textiles, jewellery or ceramics who may wish to rent studio space or equipment (kilns, looms, ovens, etc) in one of the Sturt studios. All Sturt studios are fully equipped and rentals by the day, week, month or year on a part-time or full-time basis can be negotiated at favourable rates.

Art groups in the Southern Highlands are encouraged to consider using Sturt Cottage or Sturt Café for meetings or functions. **Contact Mark Viner on 0248 602080 to discuss any of these possibilities.**

**Weaving course survey** – Sturt has begun an industry survey to evaluate the potential for establishing a professional practical weaving course in the future. Such a course could be part-time or full-time and may be considered for accreditation in the future. If you are interested in weaving and would like to give us your feedback then the survey can be found on our website at [www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/course\\_new.htm](http://www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/course_new.htm) email completed surveys to [mviner@sturt.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mviner@sturt.nsw.edu.au)

**Art in the Café** – The walls of Sturt Café will feature the work of artists working in the mediums of painting, drawing, printmaking and photography in a changing display program that will be a part of the café from now on.

The first artist to take advantage of this new opportunity is renowned Australian photographer and local Southern Highlands resident Robert Billington. Robert's remarkable photographic work will be on display and for sale in Sturt Café until November. Sturt is keen to hear from any artists who may like to be considered to display their work in the Sturt Café after this time. **Contact Sturt Gallery on 02 4860 2083 to find out more.**



Table by Michael Fortune

## STURT SCHOOL FOR WOOD

The **4 week chair prototyping course** with **David Uphill-Brown** running from 8 November to 3 December this year is now **FULL**.

The first 12 week intensive fine woodworking course for 2011, to be taught by leading Canadian furniture designer **Michael Fortune** is **FULL** with a **waiting list**.

Sturt is accepting expressions of interest for places on the second 12 week course for 2011 due to run from 9 May to 29 July. Tutor to be announced.

**Enrolment enquiries are being invited for the Sturt 1-year VETAB-accredited Certificate IV Furniture Design and Technology – Fine Woodworking Course for 2011.** This remains the only 1 year full time woodwork course in Australia and is therefore the essential experience for those woodworkers who are considering a major career or life changing experience.

## STURT TERM CLASSES

Sturt offers weekly classes in weaving (Tue 10am-1pm), tapestry (Wed 9am-1pm), ceramics (Wed 9am-12noon), jewellery (Mon 6pm-9pm) and fine woodwork (Mon, Tue, Wed 6pm-9pm). From now until the end of the year we are offering a **FREE ONE WEEK TRIAL** to any new enrolment where we have places available – so why not give it a try and find out what our classes are like?

## STURT COURSES

An additional **1-day random weave basketry course** is now scheduled for 15th October – places are limited and will go very fast so contact Sturt Shop to secure your places.

**An initial list of Short Courses for 2011 is now on the Sturt website.** Weekend courses include; Basketry, Woodwork – tuning and sharpening, Woodwork – making a laminated mallet, Woodwork, making joints, Woodwork – box making, Woodwork – hand finishes, Introduction to ceramics, Discovering weaving, Digital photography, jewellery – cuttlefish casting, jewellery – earrings and pendants, Photoshop, Ceramics – kiln firing explained, Textiles – natural dyeing techniques and Classic photography using a real darkroom. **Enrolments begin in October for short courses in 2011.**

**Special extended courses proposed for 2011** include: a master class in ceramics with Owen Rye, a master class in weaving with Liz Williamson and a two week 'build a workbench' course in woodwork.



## SUMMER SCHOOL 2011

Some courses are now full or very nearly full so please contact Sturt Shop to secure your place.

25 courses are being offered and they are: GENERAL CLASSES **Basketry** with Meri Peach, **Botanical Art** with Leonie Norton, **Clay handbuilt vessels** with Fiona Hiscock, **Clay throwing skills** with Sandy Lockwood, **Drawing & mark making** with David Middlebrook, **Etching** with Tony Ameneiro, **Felted body wrap** with Catherine O'Leary, **Modelling the human form** with Linley Davis, **Photography – portraits** with Robert Billington, **Photography – creative** with Ashley Mackevicius, **Portraiture drawing & painting** with David Fairbairn, **Silversmithing** with Marcelo Zavala-Baeza, **Still life drawing & painting** with Jenny Manning, **Watercolour & sketching** with Malcolm Carver, **Weaving Swedish 'vav'** with Kay Faulkner, **Weaving woven light** with Lise Frølund, **Windsor stools** with Howard Archbold, **Wood carving** with Nick Statham, **Arts & Crafts side table** with Matthew Doyle, **Writing** with Susan Varga and Anne Coombs, **You the artist** with Dawna Richardson-Hyde and FOR YOUNG PEOPLE **Bazaar textiles** with Melanie Olde, **Clay creatures** with Elsa Jara, **Collage & mixed media art** with Slavica Zivkovic and **Physical theatre** with Chrisjohn Hancock.

## STURT GALLERY

**Casting Off**, an exhibition of carvings, wood turnings and sculptures by Richard Raffan and Terry Baker continues until 17 October. **Casting Off** is a new body of work created by Richard Raffan and Terry Baker, two of Australia's leading woodturners. But whilst there are a few turned bowls and platters, both Baker and Raffan have taken the opportunity to move away from the wood-lathe to create a series of whimsical boats, sculptural vessels, and driftwood whales using found and recycled materials.

**Newdesign**, is the title of a multi faceted exhibition running from 24 October to 21 November, showcasing contemporary designs by some of Australia's top designer-makers put together in innovative settings to create a sense of how contemporary objects work together.

**FURNITURE** by John Gallagher, Aidan Morris, Alex McDowell, James Carr, Paul Nicholson, David Norrie  
**SCULPTURAL OBJECTS** by Gary Galego, Duncan Meerding  
**TEXTILES** by Annie Trevillian, Julie Paterson from Cloth Fabric  
**LIGHT FITTINGS** by Duncan Meerding, Jem Freeman from Like Butter  
**WALLPAPER** from Julie Paterson  
**GLASS** by Cobi Cockburn  
**CERAMICS** by Malcolm Greenwood, Dave Edmonds.

The exhibition will feature a special champagne shopping night on Tuesday 9 November 5-7pm. **FREE EVENT.** Complimentary drinks and nibbles will be served plus a 10% discount on all purchases (excludes purchases by credit card) in the shop or gallery between 5pm and 7pm.





'Casting Off' exhibition – opened by David Uphill-Brown



Above (L-R): David Uphill-Brown, Mark Viner, Terry Baker & Richard Raffan

The Sturt School for Wood graduating exhibition for 2010 opens on Saturday 27 November at 11am and runs until 12 December. The exhibition will be opened by well known designer-maker Evan Dunstone.

### ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

This is a final call for **Artist in Residence Application for 2011**; see Sturt website for details.

**Textile artist Lise Frølund from Denmark** will join us from 1<sup>st</sup> October for a 3 month residency. Lise will be teaching Term 4 classes in the weaving studio and a special course for Sturt Summer School in January.

### STURT SHOP

Exciting new products in the shop this month include a new shipment of beautiful glass works by **Brian Hirst**. Brian is recognised as one of the foremost glass artists in Australia. Objects include gold leaf and silver leaf bowls and vases and assorted colour paperweights.

Local Southern Highlands jeweller **Tracy Hopkirk** has an exciting new range of pebble jewellery in necklaces, rings and earrings while **David Innocente** is a designer and maker from South Australia producing wonderfully creative jewellery boxes combining metal, wood and distinctive colours to make unique objects.

The popular **Elk** range of jewellery from Melbourne has launched several new designs which are now in stock with more arriving soon. **Malcolm Greenwood** has just delivered a diverse range of ceramics including some woodfired pieces and lovely glazed items in chun and celadon. See **Julie Paterson's** wonderful range of cloth bags and uniquely designed scarves made for Sturt. **Sue Hanna** has made some inspiring wood fired ceramics inspired by the bush fires that swept around her home in rural Victoria. Pastel shades of embossed porcelain in bowls vases and beakers are now in stock from Sydney ceramic artist **Somchai Charoen**.



## EVENTS

### Sturt Café Supper Club

In partnership with Chef Martial Cosyn, a seasonal supper club for those in search of some good food and good company in the perfect setting. With candles lit and live music provided by local musicians to round off the evening this will be an experience that you will not want to miss.

#### Thursday 21 October 6.30pm for 7.00pm

*Roasted jap pumpkin & goats cheese ravioli with tomato & saffron broth*  
*Martial's classic duck confit with mango, roasted macadamia & English spinach salad*  
*Strawberry & Grand Marnier sable with crème patisserie*

Bookings are strictly limited with the three-course meal, coffee and entertainment priced at \$65 per head per night for Friends of Sturt, \$75 per head per night for other guests. BYO. Vegetarian option available by request at time of booking. Contact Sturt Shop: [shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au](mailto:shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au)

### Slidenights at Sturt

The next Slidenight at Sturt will be held on **Friday 15 October from 5.30pm** and will include presentations by two outstanding artists in residence currently working at Sturt who both normally live and work in Europe. **Lise Frølund is a textile artist from Denmark, Sabina Bernardelli is a jewellery maker from Rome.** Lise and Sabina will talk about their life and work and inspiration to visit Australia.

**Slidenights include drinks, nibbles and good company. \$5 for Friends of Sturt, \$10 for everyone else.** Slidenights are supported by Friends of Sturt and all funds raised go to support the Sturt Artist in Residence program. For bookings call Sturt Gallery on 02 4860 2083 or email [shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au](mailto:shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au)

### Sturt Pottery Open Days

**POTS AND FOOD** Made for each other!

#### FREE BOWL-MAKING DAY AT THE POTTERY

**Saturday 6 November – 10am - 4pm**

Ever wanted to try your hand with clay?

Or are you an old hand with skills to share?

Come along to the pottery any time throughout the day and help us make bowls and plates for our big lunch (see next event) and find out about pottery courses on offer in 2011.

We'll provide the clay and have tutors on hand to help you on the way.

All ages welcome.

Cold drinks and Margherita pizzas (from the wood fired oven) will be on sale all day.

#### THE BIG LUNCH

**Saturday 20 November – 11am - 3pm**

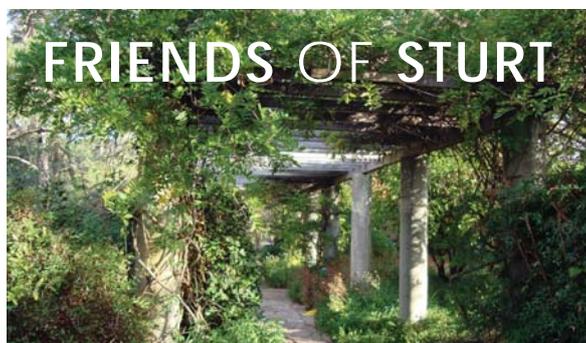
Join us at our communal outdoor table for a tasty lunch of fresh local produce and woodfired sourdough fresh from the oven, served in plates and bowls made by resident potters and local artists.

At the end of the meal you take home your crockery.

Prices start at \$20 – bigger / fancier / more elaborate dishes will cost more.

Pay on the day but book your place at the table through the Sturt Shop 02 4860 2083 or email [shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au](mailto:shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au). BYO drinks and a cushion for your seat.

If you have any questions or would like to help out on the day, please give Dee a call at the Pottery 02 4860 2084 or 0402 674 548.



### FRIENDS OF STURT CHRISTMAS DRINKS

**Friday 10 December 5pm to 8pm. FREE EVENT.**

A special invitation is extended to all Friends of Sturt to join Sturt staff and the FOS Committee for Christmas drinks and canapés on the lawn at Sturt. The shop and gallery will be open late to make this the perfect evening social event.

**To help us plan catering Friends of Sturt are encouraged to RSVP by calling the shop on 02 4860 2083 or by emailing [shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au](mailto:shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au)**

Full details of all Sturt courses, exhibitions, residency programs and events can be found on our website [www.sturt.nsw.edu.au](http://www.sturt.nsw.edu.au) or to make a booking or enrolment call Sturt Shop on 02 4860 2083.