

SPECIAL NEWS

Join us for the Sturt Christmas Party
Friday 12 December from 6pm

An important date for your Christmas diary is the Sturt Christmas party and late night shopping night featuring the opening of our newest exhibition the **National Contemporary Jewellery Award 2014**. With complimentary food and drink on offer plus some live musical entertainment in the beautiful gardens in front of the Gallery, this is one of the best Christmas functions of the year in the Southern Highlands.

Please **RSVP** for catering purposes to **Sturt Shop** on 02 4860 2083 or email shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au

**Christmas opening hours**

Sturt Gallery will be **closed** on Christmas Day and Boxing Day only. **Sturt Café** will **close** after 7 December. Our pop-up coffee bar will open in Sturt Gallery for Summer School from 5-10 January with special Summer School hours of 8.30am to 4.30pm.

School for Wood students get their certificates. Saturday 22 November was a big day for our Wood School with the opening of the annual exhibition and the graduation ceremony for our students. This was a bumper year with 11 students completing the full time course and 3 others undertaking individual terms. Professor Alec Tzannes AM from UNSW was our special guest and he gave a fantastic and inspiring speech to a very large crowd about the increasing importance of the hand-made in our modern world. Congratulations to our 2014 students – Chris Bartkus, Roy Bowyer, Ben Croweller, Rohan Goradia, Monette Hoppitt, Ricky Klein, Harry McInnis, Lachlan Meaney, Gabriel Miller, Adrain Olasau, Jessie Spencer, Stefan Wieland, Greg Wheeler and Bruce Mackenzie.

Some **special awards** were also handed out on the day – The Craft ACT Emerging Contemporaries Award for 2015 went to Adrain Olasau and Rohan Goradia – this award will give both of these students the opportunity to exhibit work at Craft ACT next year. A new award from Studio Woodworkers Australia (cash and tools) went to Adrain Olasau – this award is designed to encourage a student to make the transition from student to professional. Well done Adrain and Rohan.



Propose an exhibition for 2016. We are now inviting exhibition proposals for Sturt Gallery for 2016 and beyond. Full details on the procedure and our exhibition policy can be found on our website at www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/get-involved/exhibition-proposal

Sturt School for Wood 2015. *Last chance to enrol – just one place remaining!* Teachers of the Fine Furniture Making Course for 2015 will include Neil and Pam Erasmus, Paul Nicholson, David Uphill-Brown and Brian Reid (USA). Term dates, fees and prospectus for 2015 are on our website or call 02 4860 2080 to discuss making an application.

Summer School 2015. You need to get in quick as courses are filling fast. Book on-line and choose from a selection of 25 courses being offered for all skill levels and interests. Go to our website to see the full program www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/education/summer-school

STURT GALLERY

National Contemporary Jewellery Award 2014

Biennial exhibition from Griffith Regional Art Gallery
12 December – 15 February 2015

This national acquisitive prize exhibition, produced by Griffith Regional Art Gallery, attracts jewellery artists from all over Australia. Sturt is a major supporter of this biennial program, awarding a residency as one of the major prizes.

Join us on Friday 12 December from 6pm for the exhibition opening and our champagne Christmas shopping night – live music, complimentary sparkling wine and canapes will be on offer.

Of National Significance – Ceramics then and now by artists in the Sturt permanent collection

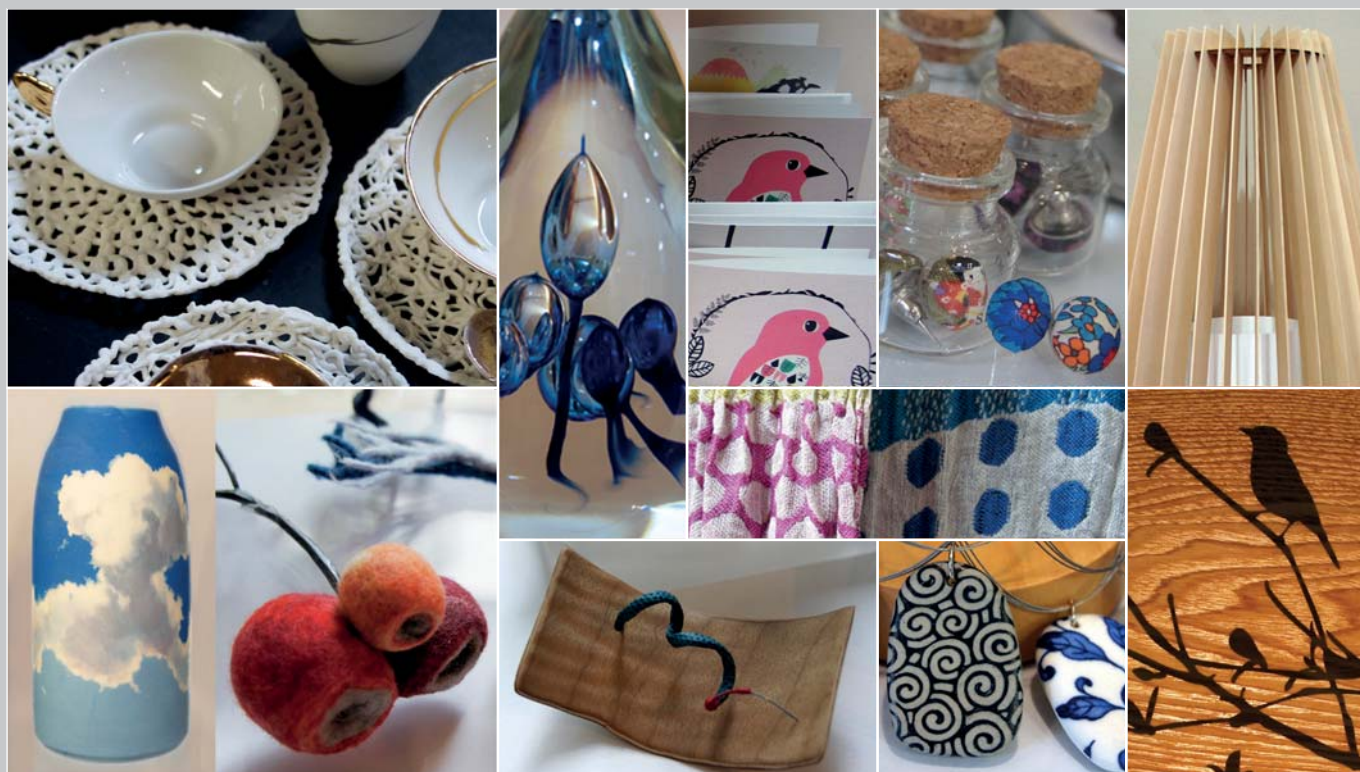
22 February – 12 April 2015

The Sturt collection tells the story of Australian craft since the war. This exhibition will feature new work by a selection of prominent Australian and international artists alongside the historic work that they have in the Sturt collection.

Participating artists include: Les Blakebrough, Patty Wouters, Campbell Hegan, Yasuo Terada, Yasuhisa Kohyama, Svend Bayer, Kevin White, Paul Davis, Pru Venables and Victor Greenway.

STURT SHOP

Looking for Christmas gifts? Come and surprise yourself with a great selection on offer...



EVENTS

Summer School Talks Program. Clubbe Hall

Our annual Summer School includes talks and demos by many of the artists featured in the Summer School program. All of these presentations are free and open to the public. Pick up the detailed program from Sturt Gallery or via our website.

Tools & Techniques Weekend

Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 February 2015, from 10am to 4pm

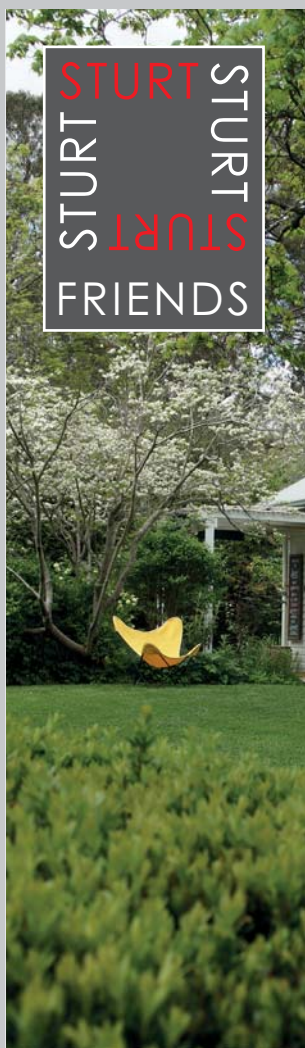
Sturt's biggest annual event will feature displays and sales from Australia's finest tool makers and specialist timber suppliers: HNT Gordon, Colen Clenton, Japanese Tools, Allwood Timbers, Gifkins Dovetail Jig, Jim Davey, Vesper Tools, Dunstone Design and more; as well as a daily program of woodwork demos by Australia's leading furniture makers. Plus a bric-a-brac stall, free admission and parking and food and drink on site. A detailed program will be released on our website nearer the time.

Friends of Sturt Annual General Meeting

Sturt Cottage, Sunday 22 February 2015 at 2pm. Members and prospective members are invited to attend the AGM and to consider nominating for places on the committee for 2015.



Full details of all Sturt courses and online registration, exhibitions, residency programs and events can be found on our website www.sturt.nsw.edu.au. To make a booking or enrolment call Sturt Shop on 02 4860 2083.

**FRIENDS OF STURT NEWS**

Dear Friends,

As the year draws to a close we can reflect on another busy, interesting and very successful year. Slidenights, presented by our visiting artists, have seen Sturt Cottage filled to capacity. Hospitality offered by Friends of Sturt to visitors on these evenings, to students at both Summer and Winter Schools and to our visiting artists has been warmly received.

At the recent Wood School Graduation we were pleased to be able to assist with the serving of refreshments to the many visitors who attended and to offer congratulations to the students who had successfully completed the course.

On Sunday afternoon 4th and Monday morning 5th January we will be greeting students, serving tea and coffee and assisting with Summer School enrolments. On the Tuesday and Wednesday we will be selling raffle tickets in the Dining Room. If you can assist please contact me (02 4872 3375).

2015 will see structural changes at Sturt as new technologies are embraced but the role of Friends of Sturt will not change. We will continue, as we have in the past, to support the Artists in Residence Program, to advance Sturt as a Craft Centre of excellence and to develop community interest in Sturt.

STURT CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held on Friday 12 December from 6pm. Come along, enjoy some wonderful hospitality and take the opportunity to do some late night shopping.

THE NEXT MEETING of Friends of Sturt will be the Annual General Meeting on Sunday 22 February at Sturt Cottage. You are most cordially invited to attend.

Wishing you joy and peace this Festive Season.

Joan Dinning, President.



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by artists featured in the Sturt Permanent Collection
22 February - 12 April

Opening
Sunday 22 February, 11am

ClothFabric

The first 20 years and more
19 April - 31 May

Opening
Sunday 19 April, 11am

Ocean Forest

Monique van Nieuwland ~ contemporary weaving
7 June - 19 July

Opening
Sunday 7 June, 11am

Southern Highlands Printmakers

21st birthday exhibition
26 July - 20 September

Opening
Sunday 26 July, 11am

At the end of the rainbow

Julie Shepherd ~ new porcelain
27 September - 15 November

Opening
Sunday 27 September, 11am

Sturt School for Wood Annual Exhibition

Works by 2015 graduating students
21 November - 6 December

Opening
Saturday 21 November, 11am

Drawn to Clay

Ceramics and drawings ~ Carlos Barrios,
Vince Vozzo, Slavica Zivkovic, Justin Pearson
11 December - February 2016

Opening
Friday 11 December, 6pm
incl Sturt Christmas Party & shopping night