

SPECIAL NEWS

Sturt 2015 and beyond. Following an exhaustive review lasting over 18 months, Sturt is poised to embark upon some exciting new directions for the future. Building on what we do really well and recognising that some things need to change: we will close the Café at the end of the current term and will be suspending the operations of the weaving studio for 2015 in order to create new flexible workshop spaces and to embrace new technology opportunities to provide enhanced design and fabrication opportunities for all. Sturt Summer and Winter Schools, Sturt School for Wood, short courses, and the Shop and Gallery will continue as normal with an added coffee component that we hope to be able to announce details about very soon.

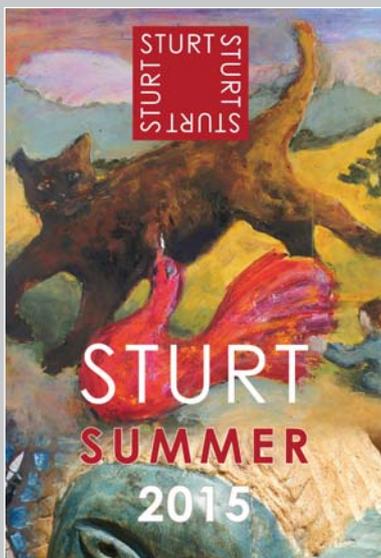


Catch the Modern Market. See Sturt's stand at the upcoming Modern Market presented by Craft ACT in Canberra at the Nishi Building in New Acton on Saturday 22 November. Participating artists and artisans will represent a wide range of high-end craft and design from across Australia (textiles, paper, ceramics, fashion, wood, glass) – from local designer-makers to those based in Sydney, Melbourne, regional NSW and even Tasmania. www.craftact.org.au



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Sturt School for Wood 2015. Teachers of the Fine Furniture Making Course for 2015 will include Neil and Pam Erasmus, David Uphill-Brown and Brian Reid (USA). Enrolment enquiries are now invited for 2015 – term dates, fees and prospectus for 2015 are now on our website or call 0248 602080 to discuss making an application. **A 5% discount on 2015 course fees will apply to all completed and accepted applications made before 31 October 2014.**



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 Artists in Residence Program 2015. Now is the time to think about a residency here at Sturt in 2015. We offer professional, graduate and self-directed residency opportunities in woodworking, metalwork, textiles or ceramics. Full details and application process can be found on our website. Deadline for applications is 31 October 2014.

Short Courses. Our last weekend of short courses for this year will take place on 18 & 19 October and will include Spoon making with Alison Jackson, Woodwork project planning with Daryl Ingate, Hebelstone sculpture with Britta Stenmanns, Ceramics – intro to clay forming and decorative techniques with visiting guest ceramic artist from the UK John Higgins and Extreme crochet rug making with Belinda Gunn. Email courses@sturt.nsw.edu.au or call the Sturt Shop on 02 4860 2083.

Do you think you are an Emerging Contemporary?

A Craft ACT: Craft and Design Centre curated exhibition, *Emerging Contemporaries*, showcases the work of outstanding graduate students and selected national emerging craft practitioners and designer makers that demonstrate exceptional talent in their chosen field. These emerging artists are representative of the next wave of professional artists who are exploring conceptually dynamic and innovative craft and design practice.



The exhibition will launch the Craft ACT: Craft and Design Centre exhibition program in 2015 and expressions of interest are now open to early career craft practitioners and designer makers within the first five years of their professional practice. The EOI package can be downloaded with applications closing on Monday 24 November 2015. For more information on the exhibition, please contact Anne Radimin – anne.radimin@craftact.org.au or (02) 6262 9333.

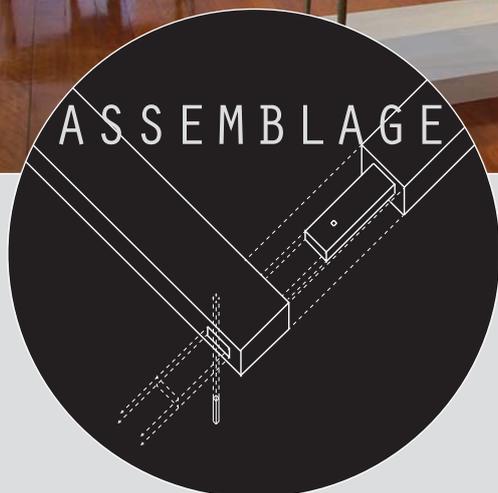
STURT GALLERY

Back to the table – tableware by emerging ceramic artists. Continues to 16 November 2014

This exhibition aims to bring people 'back to the table', to ponder the role handmade ceramic tableware can play by enhancing nourishing food, stimulating interesting conversation and the enjoyable sharing of food at a common table.

Guest curator Vicki Grima has invited 13 young and emerging artists to ponder the role handmade ceramic tableware plays in our everyday lives.

Pictured right: Vicki Grima (far right) with some of the artists at the exhibition opening in September; below: works displayed in Sturt Gallery.



'Assemblage' – Sturt School for Wood Annual Exhibition 22 November to 7 December.

An exhibition of fine furniture and objects by 2014 graduating students of the Sturt School for Wood.

Join us on **Saturday 22 November at 11am** for the student **graduation and exhibition opening** with guest speaker Professor Alec Tzannes AM, *Dean of the Faculty of the Built Environment, UNSW.*

EVENTS

Slidenight at Sturt

The next Slidenight at Sturt will be held on **Thursday 6 November, 5.30pm for a 6pm start** in Sturt Cottage and will include presentations by two of our visiting artists for 2014: **John Higgins** is our visiting professional ceramic artist from the UK; **Sairi Yoshizawa** is a graduate resident in textiles from ANU.



John Higgins' work in progress in Sturt Pottery



Sairi Yoshizawa's Sunburnt Shibori (2011)

Slidenights include drinks, nibbles and good company. \$10 for Friends of Sturt, \$15 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 4860 2083 or email shop@sturt.nsw.edu.au

Poetry workshop with Ron Pretty. Drafting: A Creative Process.
Saturday 15 November, 10am-1pm, Sturt Cottage.

Fees (include tickets for the Little Mountain Readings in the afternoon):
 \$85; Friends of Sturt & SCWC members: \$65; under 18: \$45).

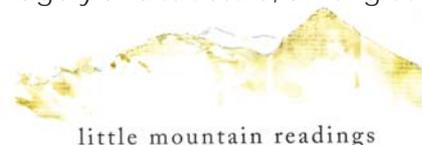


In this workshop, we will explore ways of developing a first draft into a fully crafted poem. Drafting is sometimes felt to be synonymous with drudgery, but this Workshop will illuminate the creative aspects of the process. Topics to be explored include line breaks, language, imagery and structure, among others. Participants are asked to bring in several of their current poems.

Little Mountain Readings

Saturday 15 November, 5-8pm, Sturt Cottage.

\$25; FOS & SCWC members: \$15 (includes wine and refreshments)



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In the romantic setting of Sturt Cottage, writers and literary enthusiasts are invited to sit with a glass of wine and enjoy poetry by highly acclaimed writers Peter Bakowski, Ron Pretty and Mark Tredinnick, as well as local poet Jenny Crozier. The Little Mountain Readings is an annual poetry reading, which is hosted by Rhiannon Hall. The evening also includes an Open Mic section, where the public will be invited to share their poetry and compete for book prizes and the LMR trophy pencil. Musical entertainment will be performed at intervals throughout the night. This initiative is proudly supported by Sturt and the South Coast Writers Centre.

Bookings essential. Phone: 02 4860 2083 (Sturt for bookings) and **02 4228 0151** (SCWC for more info).



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.

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

STURT SHOP

For early Christmas shopping, why not visit **STURT SHOP** for gifts great and small. We showcase the work of contemporary designers and makers from all over Australia and even international artists who came to Sturt for residencies. You can be sure that you will find that special, exclusive item here at Sturt.



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www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/get-involved/friends-of-sturt

Supporting the Artist-in-Residence Program www.sturt.nsw.edu.au/get-involved/friends-of-sturt

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STURT GALLERY 02 4860 2083
Open daily 10am - 5pm
(Sturt closed on public holidays)
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STURT CAFÉ 02 4860 2086
Open Wed-Fri 10am - 3pm
Sat & Sun 10am - 4pm

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