

OCT/NOV/DEC 2026

arts news

raising the profile of the arts in the Echuca Moama region

Our heart and soul at The Foundry Arts Space is all about bringing the arts to life in the Echuca Moama region. We love connecting local artists with visitors, cheering on regional talent, and making sure our community stays inspired.

Our 2025-2026 exhibition program has been nothing short of spectacular; the gallery provided a beautiful space for local and regional artists to showcase their talent. This year, our gallery came alive with a magnificent range of mediums, including paints, ceramics, inks, recycled materials, and textiles.

Every single exhibition brought something special to the table, with artists sharing stories about their connection to our local environment and their personal journeys. The standard was incredibly high, and over 10,000 visitors walked through our doors this year. This incredible achievement would not have been possible without our wonderful volunteers, and we want to extend a massive thank you to them for all their hard work and dedication in welcoming everyone. We also want to celebrate the wonderful success of our Members Gallery this year. It has been a joy watching our members exhibit their work and achieve so many well-deserved sales.

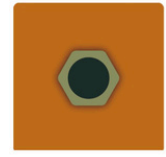
If you are not a member of The Foundry yet, we would absolutely love to welcome you into our creative community. There has never been a more exciting time to get involved, lend your support to our local arts scene, and connect with a wonderful network of creative people.

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to reach out to Kristen our Secretary, email secretary@thefoundryartsspace.org.au or phone 0409 164 957.

Kristen Dyer

THE FOUNDRY

ARTS
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ECHUCA-MOAMA



Open daily 10am - 4pm

Closed Tuesdays except school holidays. 13 - 17 Murray Esplanade, Echuca



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MEMBERS GALLERY @THE FOUNDRY

painting to sculpture and everything in between

Once again our members showed up in full force with a collection of amazing works for our Gallery 2 exhibition! From playful animals, distinctive landscapes, ceramics galore and all the colours of the rainbow there was something for everyone. We always look forward to hosting the amazing works of our generous members and volunteers - be sure to get creating for our big Summer members exhibition!



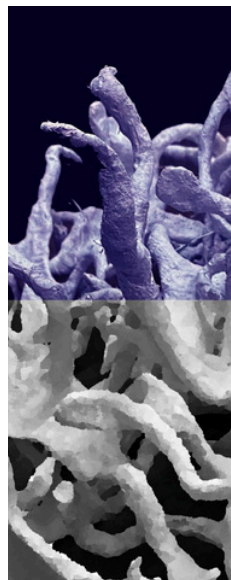
TUESDAY JUNCTION - "EMBRACE THE WONK"

TUESDAY JUNCTION ARTISTS PRESENT
AUGUST 21 - SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2026

EMBRACE THE WONK



The Foundry was transformed into a world of playful figures, textures and wonkiness in all the best ways. Featuring the works of **Anne Mawson, Bronwyn Morton, Carole Ciavarella, Carolyn Rolls, Jan Taylor, Jill Kenley, Kerry Williams, Penny Silver, Rebecca Wells and Robyn Berry.**



Tuesday Junction brought an array of pieces all very different, but unified in the way they embodied the beauty of imperfection. In a world of crisp AI and manmade perfection, 'Embrace the Wonk' was a wonderful reminder of the joy to be found in the unexpected.

Opening night was well attended, with many of the artists available to chat about their unique pieces. Thank you Tuesday Junction for another amazing exhibition!

Early in 2026, when Foundry Committee member Jenny Turner told us there was a ‘Festival Of Stories’ coming, we couldn’t have imagined the extent of it. They sure pulled it off! If you attended any of the many events, you might like to send your feedback.



Photo credits, Festival of Stories



“No grassroots festival is built by a committee alone. We’ve been blown away by the incredible support of people across our region who believed this idea was worth backing before it even had a program or a stage.”
festivalofstories.com.au

ANNA WALSH: 18 Sept - 25 October, 2026

‘NURTURED ROOTS’ ANNA WALSH

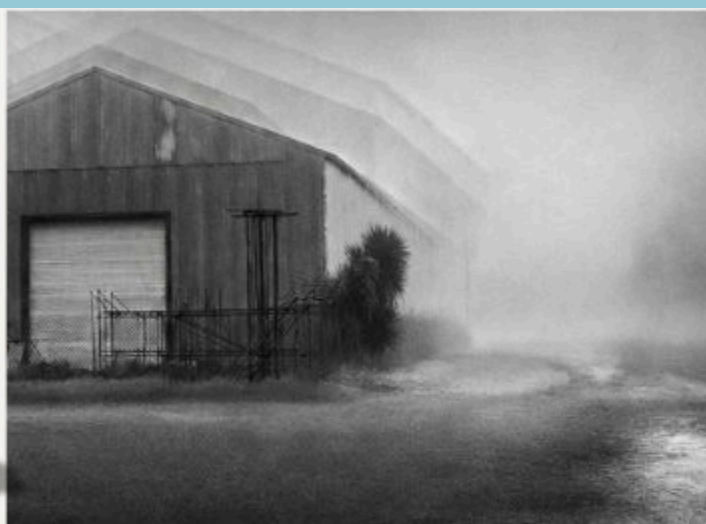
Pulling together this collection of work has been a very warm and nostalgic experience. I spent a lot of time reflecting on my past homes, my wonderful family and the gardens I’ve been so lucky to witness grow. Thank you so much to The Foundry for hosting my work, a wonderful opening night and for the extensive behind the scenes work you do to bring shows like this to our community. I am so grateful! - Anna





GALLERY 1 - MAREE SANTILLA & GRETIL SCHILLER

"OF EARTH AND US"



GALLERY 2 - SIMON LOCKE

"AUSTRALIAN SYSTEMS SHAPED BY TIME"

2027 EXHIBITION CALENDAR COMING SOON!

The annual exhibition program is designed to offer the opportunity for any artist from any field of the arts to exhibit in this unique space. The curators will be looking to build a diverse program of exhibitions and events to showcase what's happening in the contemporary arts scene.

The aim is to deliver a fresh, unique experience to the community and visitors to the EchUCA Moama region. The Foundry Arts Space is a not-for-profit, volunteer run community organisation, notably to raise the profile of the arts and cultural activities in our region. Established in 2010, we have been in the heart of the historic Port of EchUCA precinct since 2015. The Foundry welcomes artists, musicians, and all creatives to share this historic but contemporary building. The Foundry attracts over 10,000 visitors a year.

For all information & to submit your Expression of Interest, visit the website!

Here's what we do:

- Gallery-sit
- Meet and greet visitors
- Help with sales
- Help serve food at exhibition openings
- Help set up exhibitions

You don't have to be an artist to volunteer! Just enjoy being surrounded by art and arts supporters.

email Julie:
roster@thefoundryartsspace.org.au

Mornings or afternoons
10am-1pm
1pm-4pm
You choose your own regular timetables

**MEET OUR
VOLUNTEER
COMMUNITY**

Julie Spiers

Roster Coordinator

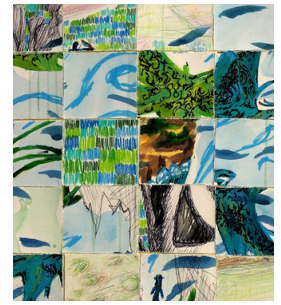
THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!



AN EMBODIED NEXUS: THE MENAGERIE

This exhibition showcases the work of young artists and curators **Ayden Freestone, Elijah Beriman, Emily Burgess, Jessica Knight, Olivia Lees, and Saylah Tarrant**. Through creative experimentation and collaboration, these artists bring imagined characters and creatures to life across contemporary art and animation.

Our exhibition in Gallery 1 was a feast for the senses. From animation, music, ceramics, painting, drawing and explorations of texture 'An Embodied Nexus: The Menagerie' is an entire journey for all the visitors to our gallery.



ARTIST TALK SATURDAY OCTOBER 24 1PM - 2PM

The gallery also played host to an afternoon of Artist Conversations, where the artists reflected on their experiences throughout the Unearthed Youth Arts Program, their creative journeys and the process of bringing the exhibition to life.

Each artist talked us through their favourite piece and how it came together. We were privy to the extensive processes and it was evident how creating together had fostered some very special relationships.

The group described how they engaged with The Foundry environment, spending time creating together in the gallery utilising blind contour drawing to create a large, expressive piece that was then 'torn' up to produce many smaller, special pieces.

It was fascinating to be shown these processes and hear from the artists directly about the new techniques they had engaged in. From stencil work with spray paint, to character creation to softly detailed drawing, this group showed a level of thoughtfulness and care that is so valuable within the art world.

A collaborative show such as this requires a real level of trust and commitment from each artist and it was so wonderful to see the friendships formed around authentic creation.



The Unearthed program is an invaluable opportunity for the young creatives in our region and we are so excited to see what they create next year in Kyabram. The current young artists will remain part of the process moving in a mentoring position with continued opportunities to create.

Thank you to the artists Ayden Freestone, Elijah Beriman, Emily Burgess, Jessica Knight, Olivia Lees and Saylah Tarrant for sharing your work with our gallery, and thank you to Kris Tito and Ellen Lee for heading up such a wonderful program.

Q: WHERE CAN WE BUY LOCAL ART?

A: IN THE FOUNDRY ARTS SPACE, ECHUCA AND AT MORRISONS WINERY, MOAMA



Graham Hearn

Calling artists!

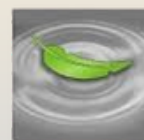
Morrison's Winery in Moama is displaying Foundry members' artworks in the restaurant. Interested?

Artists please contact coordinator/curator

grahamhearnart@outlook.com.au to express your interest.

Paintings by 2 artists will be displayed for 3 months with commission from sales going to The Foundry Arts Space.

WHERE ELSE DO OUR ARTISTS EXHIBIT?



MORRISONS



Art Prize committee chair, Suzanne Harrison

Q: When is the next Foundry Arts Prize happening?

A: It's scheduled to be held every two years, so it will be on again in 2028. However, we need more helpers.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING, CONTACT US!

MEMBERS GALLERY @THE FOUNDRY

painting to sculpture and everything in between

MEMBERS EXHIBITION (SUMMER) 04.12.26 - 26.01.27

THE FOUNDRY

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ONE OF OUR MOST EXCITING EXHIBITIONS OF THE YEAR!
No hiring fees - just one of the benefits of being a member! But there will be some volunteering required (yep, there's always a catch).

Contact Jenny 0428 495 497
jennyltur55@gmail.com,



ECHUCA-MOAMA





JOIN US FOR THE OFFICIAL OPENING
2 PM SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER ALL
WELCOME – REFRESHMENTS

CREATIVE TYPES @ LOCKINGTON

 **ART GROUP** FREE ENTRY

Dianne Giddings, Sue Taylor, Marita Chappel,
Judy Anderson, Gwen Smith, Leanne Picone and Gail Tilbury.

**5 OCT -
27 NOVEMBER 2026**

199 - ALLAN STREET KYABRAM
INFO @ KYABRAMTOWNHALL
03 5852 1546 0490 371 641



2026 EXHIBITION CALENDAR

THE FOUNDRY SUMMER EXHIBITION* 5.12.25 - 26.01.26

BOBEN MAMMEN 30.01 - 01.03

LEE NELSON & BELDARI POTTERY 06.03 - 29.03

OLIVIA RAZUKI 02.04. - 03.05 GALLERY 1
MEMBERS EXHIBITION* 02.04 - 30.04 GALLERY2
CAMPASPE ARTISTS STUDIO TRAIL 01.05 - 03.05 GALLERY2

LINDEN LANCASTER 08.05 - 08.06

NAIDOC COMMUNITY EXHIBITION 12.06 - 12.07

2006 ART PRIZE 17.07 - 16.08

TUESDAY JUNCTION 21.08 - 13.09 GALLERY1
MEMBERS EXHIBITION* 21.08 - 13.09 GALLERY2

CAMPASPE YOUTH 18.09- 25.10 GALLERY1
ANNA WALSH 18.09- 25.10 GALLERY2

GRETIL SCHILLER & MAREE SANTILLA 30.10 - 29.11

THE FOUNDRY SUMMER EXHIBITION* 04.12.26 - 26.01.27

*MEMBERS EXHIBITIONS ARE HELD IN GALLERY 2
OF THE FOUNDRY ARTS SPACE AT VARIOUS TIMES
OF THE YEAR *OPEN TO FOUNDRY MEMBERS *NO
HIRE COST *COMMISSION FEE ON SOLD WORK
APPLIES. *APPLICATION FORMS ON WEBSITE
WWW.THEFOUNDRYARTSSPACE.ORG.AU

bridge art project

across rivers - across cultures - across history

Moama Art Gallery – Bunyma

With the gallery building now complete, attention turns to welcoming the community and bringing the space to life through exhibitions, events and creative experiences. Some Sunday events are planned.

A raised walkway now connects the gallery with 17 hectares of forest. Walking paths have been made and spaces cleared for community activities on the Murray's foreshore.

The gallery has been designed to provide a welcoming space for artistic expression, cultural exchange and community participation. Facilities include exhibition spaces, dedicated community art spaces, a café and gallery shop surrounded by landscaped gardens.

A significant part of the gallery's vision is to celebrate and share First Nations art, culture, history and stories.

Do you have an exhibition or creative event coming up?

We'd love to feature it! Please email

annammwalsh@gmail.com to be a part of our next
edition of the newsletter!



CREATIVE SPACE AT THE WORKSHOP

Do you have a creative project waiting to be finished or even started or would you simply love some dedicated time and space to make ?

CREATIVE SPACE is a relaxed, untutored session where you can bring along your own craft or creative project and enjoy 2 peaceful hours of making along side others,

knit, crochet, sew, sketch, journal, paint, scrapbook or whatever you are currently working or want too just start.

There is no formal class, no pressure and no experience required- just a welcoming space to create, chat and connect.



Shop Local Night

Come along for a great night out of shopping and fun!
Grab all your Christmas gifts while supporting local business

- ★ Door prizes & raffles ★
- ★ 15+ participating shops ★
- ★ Exclusive specials ★



Thursday 19 November 2026
Meet from 5pm at Bar Lee
Shopping from 6pm

Tickets: \$5 per person



SUPPORT OUR
LOCAL COMMUNITY

WHERE ELSE DO OUR ARTISTS EXHIBIT?

