

Real TART Gallery

TARANAKI ART

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Sea-Land 3 on show in March at the Real TART Gallery!

The Real TART Gallery is excited to be showcasing a joint exhibition by Alby Carter and Jan Huijbers in the Upper Gallery this March. Sea-Land 3 features 15 paintings by Huijbers and 19 by Carter, some of which have never been publically displayed before.

Jan Huijbers, a recent finalist in the Kinetic Sculpture festival 'Kinetika' held in December 2010, was one of the 35 artists profiled in Emerging Collectable Taranaki Painters 2010-2011. Using the unique patterns and symbols found on shells and sea creatures, Jan's work explores ideas of conservation, protection, connection and the importance of respect for the ocean. He emphasises the fragility of our marine environment and that in order to maintain nature's balance we must protect the sea from pollution and human abuse. As well as paintings on stretched canvas and board, the exhibition features a number of works on canvas 'scrolls' - unframed lengths on canvas hanging, suspended from rods. These works hang gracefully, with a sense of fluidity and movement that truly reflects the ocean. Jan Huijbers is a regular exhibitor at the Real TART gallery and is also our resident art tutor regularly teaching drawing and painting classes in our downstairs workshop (See Key Events).

Alby Carter is a well respected local artist admired for his unique talent and technical ability. Describing himself as a surrealist and abstract expressionist, Carter has the ability to capture life and a sense of movement in his works in a way that is rarely seen. 19 landscapes painted in oils are on display in Sea-Land 3 ranging from \$300-\$3000, giving both those serious investors and those looking to be in their art collection the opportunity to find something they love. Carter, another of the 35 Emerging Collectable Painters, has always had a close association with the Real TART Gallery. A staff member in the gallery's early days on Devon Street, he is still happy to lend a hand as a volunteer from time to time. He has recently been approached by Bronwyn Zimmerman of the Zimmerman Contemporary Art Gallery in Palmerston North and they are incredibly proud and excited to be showing a number of his works.

Sea-Land 3 is a fantastic, thought provoking exhibition by two of Taranaki's most talented emerging painters. The exhibition will be on show until the end of March, don't miss the opportunity to see something special!

For further information on exhibitions at the Real TART Gallery during March and April see Exhibitions section page 2.

Key Events

Drawing and Painting Classes at the Real TART Gallery

Jan Huijbers will be starting a third round of drawing and painting classes at the Real TART Gallery in May. Three courses will be offered, Beginners 10-12pm, Intermediate 12.30-2.30pm and an Advanced Class 3-5pm. Courses will take place on Thursdays and run for six weeks. The new round of classes is set to start on Thursday 5 May. Course cost \$75 plus materials. Please contact the gallery for further information and to secure your place!

Easter School Holiday Art Programme

The Real TART Gallery is excited to launch its first school holiday art programme for children! Taking place from 18-30th of April the programme offers a number of practical art classes as well as special book readings! See page 3 for further details.



Shannon Cockerill – Untitled, Acrylic \$350

Support

Welcome to **New** and **Returning Artists**

The team at the Real TArt Gallery would like to warmly welcome Linda Sampson, Pat Barnao, Michelle Amirault, Sophie Burtenshaw, Tracey Cocker, Sharon Nunn and Shayana Ruakere to our growing list of members. It is fantastic to have your work at the gallery.

If you or someone you know paints or creates and are keen to learn about how to go about exhibiting and selling your work at the Real TArt Gallery, log on to our website www.taranakiarts.co.nz, contact the gallery (06) 769 5717, realtart@xtra.co.nz or simply come in and talk to our friendly staff and volunteers today.



Barbara Rawlinson – Untitled, Acrylic \$500

Volunteers

The Real TArt Gallery would like to welcome, Rebecca Beyer, Jean McDonald, Marion Herbert, Haylee Kirkham, Jan Leighton and Sherry Kiely to our volunteer team. We would also like to warmly welcome back Brenda Cash who has returned as a volunteer after a long absence! It is wonderful to have you back on board.

If you are keen to volunteer at the gallery, please contact Gallery Director Sarah Stevens or Assistant Judy Petterson (06) 769 5717.

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Rae van't Hof – Cross Currents, Oil \$900

GALLERY EXHIBITIONS

1-31 March:

Connections-New Works by Vivienne Baty

Mixed Media artist Vivienne Baty has an exhibition entitled Connections on show during March. Rich in colour and texture, Vivienne's work is simply stunning. If you enjoy strong, well conceived and developed abstract paintings, you will certainly enjoy this collection. One of the featured artists in Emerging Collectable Taranaki Painters, seven new works are on display and for sale until March 31st.

1-31 March:

Paintings by Amanda Hewlett

Featuring three works from her series 'Chance Encounters', a series exploring the idea that our lives can be significantly changed, in a positive and negative way by what appears to be a chance encounter, and two from the 'Journey' series looking at emotional responses to journeying to new lands. The show is simply stunning, evocative and a touch mysterious. Using techniques of layering, brushing, rubbing, and scratching, Amanda creates a unique sense of depth and light that is both intriguing to the eye and incredibly beautiful. Her works are on show until March 31.

3 March-3 April:

The Handsome Prints by John Sargeant

On show until early April, 'The Handsome Prints' features affordably priced prints of John's most popular paintings. Customers can order which print they like and it will be available for collection at the end of the exhibition.

3 March-3 April:

New Works by Linda Sampson

A fantastic collection of paintings by Linda Sampson—a new artist to the Real TArt Gallery.

March-

New Plymouth Potters: Maria Brockhill

A fantastic new collection of pottery by Maria Brockhill is on show until the end of the month. Striking turquoise coloured glaze beautifully contrasting with an organic looking clay exterior, these works are simply stunning. Come in today!

Gallery Focus

Storytelling and Kids Art at Real TArt! - Real TArt Gallery School Holiday Programme!

This Easter the Real TArt Gallery will be holding our first series of school holiday art workshops for children ranging between 5 and 16 years old. This is an exciting development for the gallery, while we have often run art classes for adults this is the first time we have had the opportunity to offer an art programme to children!

Six children's workshops are offered (the gallery is closed over the Easter public holidays) two in the first week led by internationally renowned Storyteller Lesley Dowding where the children listen to a story and will then do a creative task based upon the ideas they have been listening to. Four workshops take place in the second week presented by Gallery artist and potter Joan Lamprecht. An experienced art teacher, Joan will help children to master ceramic glazing, beading, glass and ceramic painting.

The schedule and details for school holiday programme is outlined below. Spaces are strictly limited so please book a space for your child as soon as possible to avoid disappointment!

This promises to be a educational and creative experience where children will extend themselves, experiment with different forms of art and develop their creative skills. Our tutors are fantastic and each class has been designed to be interesting exciting and fun for kids of all ages! Each child will make quality items that they can take home and parents are more than welcome to come along and take part along side their child.

If you would like to secure a place for your child or children, please contact the gallery (06) 769 5717, or email realtart@xtra.co.nz



Vivienne Baty – Connections of Sight & Sound in the City I, Acrylic \$475



Anna Ruakere – Ragentropfen, Mixed Media \$1300



Week 1

'Tiger Tales' - Story Telling & Art with Lesley Dowding

*Tiger Tales Workshop 1: Mon 18 April, 11-12.30pm**

*Tiger Tales Workshop 2: Tues 19th April, 11-12.30pm**

*Location: Real TArt Gallery Workshop,
downstairs Real TArt Gallery*

Cost: \$5 per child, \$8 for two children.

** Approximate finish time, it may be a bit later depending on numbers.*



Week 2

Kids Art at Real TArt with Joan Lamprecht

Ceramic Glazing: Tuesday 26 April, 10am-1pm

Beads from Africa: Thursday 28 April, 10am-1pm

Glass Painting: Friday 29 April, 10am-1pm

Ceramic Painting: Saturday 30 April, 10am-1pm

*Location: Real TArt Gallery Workshop,
downstairs Real TArt Gallery*

*Cost: \$20 per course, to be paid on registration. This includes all materials and refreshments. **If you wish to enrol your child in all four days you only pay \$60.***

Classes are suitable for both boys and girls aged between 5 and 16 years of age. Please wear old clothes.

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What's On

Opportunities / Competitions / Awards

New Zealand Affordable Art Show

28-31 July 2011.

Applications are now open for 2011.

Solo artist wall entries close 31 March, General Exhibition 13 May, 2011.

For further information visit their website www.artshow.co.nz

2011 Peters Doig Marlborough Art Awards

Application deadline 21 April 2011.

All works must be received by 13 May.

\$3000 main prize.

For further information go to www.marlboroughartsociety.com

Visit these sites for info on art awards and opportunities:

www.artist.co.nz

Real TArt Gallery Workshop Space:

Keen to teach a workshop/class or even looking for a suitable space to hold a community meeting or seminar? Come into the gallery today and view our downstairs space! Available for both day time and after hours bookings we have fantastic rates on offer for community groups and artists. Contact the gallery today!

Exhibitions / Events Around the Region

Percy Thomason Gallery, Prospero Place, Miranda Street, Stratford.

4-29 March: Stratford Art Society's Members Exhibition 2011.

1-29 April: Daily News Fashion Art Awards Sampler.

Fritz Reuter Gallery, Rata Street, Inglewood.

Until 3 April: 3 Painters/Rural Links-Jude Barnes, Jill Turner, Michelle Rowland

Puke Ariki, Ariki Street, New Plymouth.

Until Sunday 10 April: Taranaki Tuturu-

My Humble Beginnings: Barry Te Whatu.

For further information visit www.pukeariki.com

Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, Queen Street, New Plymouth.

6 March-29 May: Dane Mitchell- Radiant Matter Part 1.

12 March-06 June: Stealing the Senses

From 12 March, 2011: Sarah Hughes

For further information on any of these exhibitions visit

www.govettbrewster.com



Pamella Dohig – Pot Plant & Pears, Acrylic \$250



Fern Parmentier – Back Beach, Oil \$480

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