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Over thirty artworks to choose from at Forbes Town Hall! October 21 - 29

Having gathered up a lot of my work from the galleries and studio, I'm currently in the middle of preparations for a major solo show at Forbes Town Hall later this month. The members of the Forbes Art Society have invited me to exhibit after our recent fun filled workshop in mixed media!

This will be a first solo show for me in Forbes and I am looking forward to seeing the Forbes artists again with their friends and art lovers for a great opening on the Friday evening followed by a weeklong show. In rural communities such as Forbes, this is a great way to use a Town Hall and promote the arts! It is through the hard work of keen painters and arts afficienados that regional people can get to see the work of artists from outside their area. I am pleased to have been invited and excited to see the reaction to my work.

Of course, like all artists, I shall pack up the back of my car to the roof and head out like an errant gypsy into the sunrise. Ah! Those wide open plains and long distant skylines, the big broad blue sky stretching above! It is only when we get out of Orange and into the far west that we begin to feel the freedom that is the "Australian Bush"!

Hope to see you there!

Heading up north for ArtJAM! Nov 5

Saturday 5th November in Coffs Harbour at Opal Cove Resort, a resourceful and inspiring musician/artist, Julie Gilmore is heading up an enthusiastic team to create the next edition of ArtJAM! Following on from last year's amazing event, this year will be bigger, better and jammier than ever!

ArtJAM is where you cram as many musos, performers, dancers, visual artists into one space for a day and see what happens! It promises to be an energetic and wild event so if you're up that way, head on out to [Opal Cove Resort](#) on Saturday 5 November!

I will be the guest visual artist this year along with a roundup of great local talent! My feeling is that this will a great way to finish what has been a fantastic and exciting year!

"Collectible & Affordable" - Annual Xmas Show

Once again I will be included in the Xmas Show at [Jayes Gallery](#) in Molong. This



Also This Month

Wentworth Galleries - apology!

My apology to all of the collectors that have headed into Wentworth Galleries to look at my works over recent weeks only to be disappointed. And thank you all for getting in contact with me.

For the moment, I have taken back all my artworks for the big show at Forbes and will not have works in Sydney until some time next year!

I want to review the Sydney thing and make some firm decisions on which way to re-enter that particular market.

But I will keep you all informed as I go along. Unfortunately I still haven't been able to build my stock of works up to where I need them (they keep leaving me for better walls!) and so I have to recoup them from time to time in order to meet commitments.

Aarwun Gallery in Canberra - 2012 Solo in April

My next big solo after Forbes, will be in Canberra at the [Aarwun Gallery](#) in April next year! So put it into you calendar now..... I will have dates by next newsletter!

Currently working hard to get this show together. I'm pretty excited about it but beware, there's a lot of red (passion) currently in my work..... not sure where that is coming from! The Bungle Bungles and that wonderful Western Australian landscape has a lot to do with it! Beautiful vibrant colours! Great in those monotone interiors we have at the moment! You can

year will see 3 of my works alongside the works of Colour City Creatives Inc, an artists' collective - more about them later!

The exhibition will open Sunday 13 November at 2 pm in the main gallery and runs to 18 December. Works can be taken from the show on purchase which is sensible for Christmas. I hope to see you in the gallery on the day!

This show will be the first exhibition of this **collective of artists** so there will be an eclectic mix of works in a wide range of styles and mediums. Plus meet many of the artists on the day and get the inside on 'why' they create the images they do!



see them as they start to appear on my website!

Jayes Gallery - hooray!

Thanks to Jayes Gallery in Molong just a short 20 minute drive west of Orange! They usually have some works in stock so if you're on your way out west, then please call in. Libby & Hugh will be happy to help you and if there's nothing in the gallery, they will ring and ask me what I have in stock!

It's a great gallery with a sculpture garden, gifts, aboriginal craft and a large stable of well-known regional artists to select from. But beware, you can spend a lot of time there as it's a leisurely and pleasant place with lots to see!

Studio Visits - come and see me paint!

Well not really! I might give a bit of a demo but I get *performance anxiety* if people watch! However, the studio in Orange is open for **visits by appointment only** for those of you interested in how the magic happens!



Colour City Creatives Inc is a collective of professional and aspiring artists, performers and photographers that work in separate studios under the one roof. It is a work space and as such, inspires one to explore new ideas, challenge yourself on 'what is art?' and have others around to bounce off and generally yak about art. We can be a tad boring at times as all we want to talk about as artists, is how paint sticks to canvas, and our next show..... sigh but that is 'art'!

So if you're curious, then call me on my mobile 0427 618 953 and I'll meet you at the studio.

Engelman Blogspot

I have an online diary for anyone interested in the ramblings of a more than slightly deranged artist! It contains occasional entries about the issues confronting artists as they go about their daily task of getting those imaginings onto canvas. Feel free to come and comment, leave a question or peruse some photos etc.

You'll find it at [Joy's Diary!](#)

Whew! What a Year of the Rabbit it has been!

Thank you to all of those art lovers that decided to invest in my art this year! It has been really heartening that in a year when so much has been financially fragile, that you have had the faith to collect my art works!

Taking care of your limited edition print!

For those collectors who have purchased "This Sacred Place" as a limited edition print, I now have available **care instructions** to **download FREE** from my site courtesy of the printer! Just [go to this web page and click on the PDF file](#) and care instructions will download to your computer.



Or if you wish to purchase one, there's a link on the same page!

Thank you to the galleries for my shows,

and to all my friends who have urged me on!

This is the last newsletter for 2011 so

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OF YOU!

and may 2012 be kind to all of us!

It is already promising to be exciting!

Limited Edition Monograph

To celebrate the [30 Year Survey of my works at Orange Regional Gallery](#) at the end of 2010, I wrote a monograph of my life as an artist **"Through my Eyes"**. This is a limited edition book, individually hand signed and editioned by me.



There will ever only be 100 copies in existence and a great many have already been sold. If you would like a copy, they are available by emailing or phoning me with an order. Alternatively, you can contact either Aarwun Galleries or Jayes Gallery. Currently they are \$145 each, which includes hand signing, editioning and posting.

There are over 100 images of my artworks tracing a timeline of my life and the ideas, forces and philosophy at play at the time of painting each. This book is designed to help the collector, art lover or the curious come to an understanding of the life and work of an artist. I also want it to be a guide for others and an inspiration to always

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pursue your passions and dreams no matter what life throws at you. Being a painter is the one continuous golden thread that has held my life and psyche together.

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