

AOTEA COMMUNITY ART GALLERY

June Newsletter 2010

Hello Volunteers, Members and Artists,

Thank you all for your wonderful art, volunteer time in the gallery and support in welcoming me while I step into the Gallery Manager's role. This season, the first at the new site has been both busy and successful and is a great indicator of things to come. I would love to hear your thoughts and ideas as to where next for the gallery and so invite all artists to a shared morning tea on Tues June 29th at 10.30am in the Mabey House to discuss any issues or proposals you may have, remember this is your gallery and here's an opportunity to have a say.

The winter arts program is now circulating so check it out and book in for what takes your fancy, belly dance, ,drumming and flax weaving are some of what's on offer.

A new policy regarding artist payments will come into effect. If an artist's sales for the month total less than \$20 they will be carried forward to the following month.

August brings a new innovation, called "Open Season" this exhibition is an invitation to anyone out in the community who has created some art to bring it in to the gallery and put it on display. Designed to encourage and inspire those who hide their talents and open to all residents you don't even need to be a member! Tell your friends and let's see what comes out!!!

In November we will be hosting the Garden tour and are planning an exhibition of members art to complement entitled "Spectacular by Nature" The garden tour will visit here during the afternoon of 28th Nov and we are planning a Garden Party with live radio from Aotea FM and tea from Kaitoke School. So prepare works along a garden theme to be included.

Our new winter hours are 10.30 til4pm, closed Wednesdays.

A volunteers lunch has been organized (you will be contacted directly), as recognition for the many hours put in staffing the gallery and building and performing other duties, you guy's n gal's are national treasures and keep this place alive! New additions to the team are always needed so if you can spare day here or there come and see me.

Inspiring thoughts to you all, Erica.

