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2023 Moonee Valley Art show edition

For the second year in a row, the Art Show is being run at St. Bernard's College Essendon.

The Moonee Valley Art Show Gala night was held on May 19 2023 at the Gymnasium of the college. A large amount of planning and pre-show work was involved, with at times some help from iconic personalities.

The Gala was well planned, attended and supported despite the cold and at times wet weather.



A number of local organizations have generously sponsored this event.

- Andrew Peace Wines — apwines.com;
- Bendigo Community Bank Keilor East; and
- Ryman Healthcare

These three are the event's Platinum and Ruby sponsors. Andrew Peace and Bendigo Community Bank Keilor East have supported this Art show for many years.

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Additional sponsorship /support was gained from:

- Harcourts —vision.harcourts.com.au
- McDonald Upton —mcdonaldupton.com.au
- Hotchkin Hughes —hotchkinhughes.com.au
- The Moonee Ponds Club —mpclub.com.au
- moneyplan Australia Pty Ltd —moneyplan.com.au
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A number of other local businesses also offered generous support.

The Gala night was officially opened by Gian Blundo, Master of Ceremonies, who commented that one hundred percent of the event's proceeds would go to local and international Rotary projects.

Thanks to the generosity of the sponsors, including Andrew Peace Wines and the Keilor East Bendigo Bank, was offered. Gian also observed how impressive a retirement village is owned and operated by the third main sponsor, Ryman House.

Gian also said that it was good to note that local college students from a number of surrounding schools have submitted art to this Art Show, with Harcourts Vision providing an East Keilor Students Award.

Nola Spicer was invited as Chairperson of the MV Arts Show Committee to offer her input. She thanked all the Committee members for their hard work during the year and asked them to identify themselves with a wave. Nola also thanked all this year's sponsors.

Therese Wilson, the Deputy Principal of St. Bernard's College (SBC) commented how very excited SBC are to work with Rotary, given both share a beautiful synergy of purpose. Therese observed that art develops and comes from capacities across creativity, imagination and intellectual growth.

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Additionally, art has a role to play in creating better spirits and personalities. Art also provides opportunities for personal growth and reflection.

Finally Therese thanked Rotary for providing Arts Scholarships.

The next speaker was David Wemyss-Smith, the Art Show's judge. David has been personally involved in the arts community for decades and the six galleries under the Manyung name operate in Victoria, including one in Strathmore.

David articulated the five criteria he uses as an experienced arts judge:

- originality;
- aesthetic and appeal;
- impact;
- communication; and
- technical merit.

David then proceeded to announce fourteen prizes, including Best in Show awarded to Phil Suter for the piece entitled *Mill of Mystery*, shown below.



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Second best prize across any medium was awarded to *The Cellist* by Colin Shaw.



Best water colour second prize was awarded to Debbie Russell for *Tucker Time*.



A full listing and showing of all thirteen works and prizes is available from <https://mooneevalleyartshow.com.au/physical-art-show>

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Nola Spicer then officially opened the 2023 Moonee Valley Art Show, announcing the winner of the Art Show Committee's Choice prize as Janet Doyle for her piece *Stevenson's Falls Ferns*.

The Art Show catalogue listed three hundred and fifty four paintings available for viewing and purchase with an average price of \$887. Prices ranged from \$60 to \$8950. Nine pieces were sold during the Gala evening and a further ten on Saturday May 20. Ten more were sold on Sunday May 21 and on o line on Monday May 22. A quick calculation shows that these 30 pieces collectively have generated almost \$21,000 in gross revenue.

REMEMBER - Funds raised by the Moonee Valley Art Show are totally used for a variety of community project. If you weren't able to get to the show or missed out on buying some at the rime, you can check out the links below for [Moonee Valley Art Show](#) and **buy online** until Wednesday 31st May (There are many incredible items still available to buy online)

Upcoming events

- [ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2013](#)

Melbourne Convention Centre and Rod Laver Arena
May 27, 2023 – May 31, 2023

- [An evening with Silvie Palladino](#)

May 29
5.45 pm – 9.30 pm
Clocktower, Moonee Ponds

- [Bunnings BBQ 3 June 2023](#)

Jun 03, 2023
8:15 AM – 4:15 PM

- [Caring for our Maribyrnong River](#)

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7 PM – 8.30 PM

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The Clocktower, Moonee Ponds

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