

Riverton Community Arts Centre

October Newsletter 2019

Steampunk Heaven

Time Machine

The past month has been a very exciting time. Wayne of the Hill invented a Time Machine (which he assures me works) and many visitors have tried it out. The four year children from the Navigator Room at the Riverton Childcare Centre delivered a Steampunk hat, goggles and jacket. While they were at the Centre the children went looking for dinosaurs, sadly the machine was not at it's best on the day and no dinosaurs were found. The time machine is up for auction. You can bid at the Arts Centre or on Trade Me.

<https://www.trademe.co.nz/Browse/Listing.aspx?id=2361233587&ed=true>

The Southern Society of Steampunk Steamologists have provided wonderful support for this exhibition and even braved the cold Riverton weather to provide a family fun day on the weekend of the opening. We have an assortment of Steampunk Costumes on display, so please come out and have a look.

The Steampunk Exhibition is open Wednesday till Sunday until November the 10th. Entry is free but donations are always welcome. There is a wide range of items in the exhibitions and some smaller items which are priced to sell. A highlight of the exhibition has been the Cybot Spiders made by Tuatapere artist Janet Papich. The exhibitions includes costumes, sculpture, hats, goggles, jackets, art, mixed media and installations. We acknowledge funding from Creative Communities (SDC) which helped us create this exhibition.

Twisted Christmas Community Exhibition

We are now open for the Twisted Christmas Exhibition. We have an online form on the website. (Thanks Jasper)

<https://www.rivertonarts.org.nz/events-and-exhibitions/>

You can still download forms or email us for information if you need to.

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Riverton Community
Arts Centre

STEAMPUNK

EXHIBITION



Opening Night Invitation
Friday 11th October, doors open 7pm
Steampunk dress code - not essential.

Riverton Community Arts Centre logo, Southland District Creative Communities logo

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Twisted Christmas

Riverton Community Arts Centre Presents

A Twisted Christmas!

December 6th – January 5th 2019/2020

Invites Artists from Southland

Think outside the box for this one fellow artists! Santa in drag, the Christmas party from hell, exploding presents and god forbid, parents telling the truth about the con of Christ' mess.

Get deep and dark, or find the humour, something out of the box...



Riverton
Op Shop



VOLUNTEERS

We are still looking for volunteers to look after the gallery during exhibitions

MEMBERSHIP

Our Friends of the Arts Subscription is \$35.00 per year. We invite you to openings and keep you informed of events and exhibitions. Subs are due now. If you would like to join please email us.

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You can tell from the brief above, that this Christmas exhibition is not your usual kind. I have it on good authority that all entries must fit the "Twisted" brief. If you have been following Facebook you will have seen the photos of the Half-Bearded Wayne of the Hill. We have been getting plenty of publicity with our out of the boxes ideas but we also love you to help us spread the word as well.

You can exhibit up to three items for \$25.00 entry fee. All work must be for sale, but the price is up to you. Opening night will coincide with the Christmas Twilight Market, so please come and see us and enjoy a rather "different" take on the Festive Season.

We would like to acknowledge the Riverton Op Shop who donated money to help us put this exhibition on. It's a community art exhibition, so if you live in Southland, Otago, or a Friend of the Arts Centre, you can participate. Any questions, please ask.



Upcoming Exhibitions

2020 will bring some exciting new artists into the gallery as well as see the return of some of our favourites. Marta Brash will exhibit during January, followed by photographer Anne-Marie Davies. Local artist (Cheree Downes) Te Oranga will exhibit her work in March followed by the Preston Russell Law Art Awards in April and May 2020.

The Preston Russell Law Art Awards are open to all artists living in the Southland and Otago region. You may enter one piece at a cost of \$25.00. of \$300.00 each. Please let your artist friends know.

Poetry Night

The first Wednesday in the month at 7pm at the Arts Centre is Poetry Night. Bring your poetry or poems you enjoy and join us in a night of sharing and reminiscing. A gold coin is appreciated.

APARIMA COLLEGE

THE SHAPE OF OUR LIVES

Many visitors commented on the work created by Aparima College students last year. The picture to the left is by Tarryn Tree from last years exhibition. The student's left us with plenty to think about.

This year's exhibition is called "The Shape of our Lives." I recommend you come and see what our young people are creating, listen to their voice and their message and be inspired.

The exhibition runs from 15th November till December 1st.

We are needing volunteers to look after the gallery during this time. Please let me know if you can help.

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