

THE NATIONAL CARTOON GALLERY NEWSLETTER

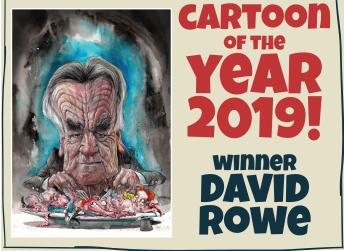
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Artists: John Allison, Peter Lewis x 2, Tony Lopez & Danny Zemp

ROTARY CARTOON AWARDS As always there's a great line-up of new works in the Gallery, many by the hand of some of Australia's best cartoonists. The Rotary Awards always offer something for everyone. with 195 works on the walls for 2019. The awards night and official opening was led by local, guest speaker Janne Lindrum who surprised us all with a fabulous performance of an excerpt from her stage show. The piece depicted Janne's grandmother and unveiled how a single cartoon was able to restore honor to her family name back in the early 1900's. Guests included some of Australia's most celebrated cartoonists Including David Rowe who took out the Cartoon of the Year 2019. The Rotary Cartoon Awards is in its 31st year and as strong as ever so we encourage you to drop into the gallery and check it out as it is in its final days. Last chance to see it - Sunday 17 November.





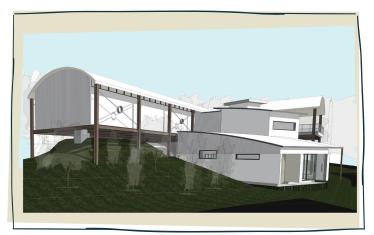
STOMPING IVORIES Once again the Stomping Ivories drew in a sellout crowd bringing the gallery to life with their rock'n'roll swagger. Greg Agar, Hugh Murray and Murray Sheridan with their two grand pianos and a drum kit captivated the audience, with tear jerking ballads, sing-a-along montages and beats you couldn't help but move to. The roguish humor of these three incredibly talented performers feels right at home nestled in amongst the cartoon filled walls of the gallery.





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with construction about to commence marking the start of our journey of extending the gallery. The official launch of the construction period will be recognized and celebrated with the Deputy Premier The Hon John Barilaro on 2 December with a morning tea and sod turning at the gallery. The following Monday 9 December, the gallery will be closed for 2-3 days. following this short closure we expect to have our doors open for the majority of the construction period so please keep coming in, we have exhibitions planned right through until next year and will soon announce our plans for the second half of the year.

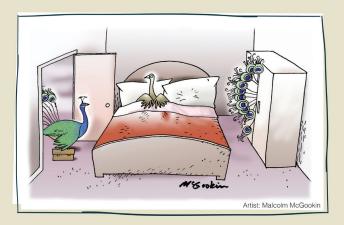
CAPTAIN FANTASTIC CARTOON COMPETITION

We are very excited to announce the opening of our Captain Fantastic Cartoon Competition. In celebration of Elton John's Farewell tour we have opened this competition to all artists in any medium to create drawings, paintings, sculptures and more in a comical or satirical light, as a salute to Sir Elton. The best entries from the competition will adorn the gallery walls for 8 weeks from 31 January '20—29 March. With so many Elton fans in Coffs Harbour during this time to see Elton in concert, this diverse display of works is bound to have great exposure. This is a fantastic opportunity for all creatives. For more information and to download the entry form visit: nationalcartoongallery.com.au/exhibitions

welcome to the family We have many new faces to welcome into the gallery family! Over the course of the last few months we have had Alex and Jody both join the team bringing excitement and enthusiasm. George and Margot also joined our family of volunteers not so long ago and have impressed us from the get go, cooking up a storm for our Rotary Cartoon Awards night. Lastly Shelley has jumped aboard as a staff member bringing a background in design and marketing. She has quickly made herself busy designing print material and calendars among other things as she helps with the running of the gallery, exhibitions and events. We are all so grateful for everyone on our team and look forward to laughing and working together.



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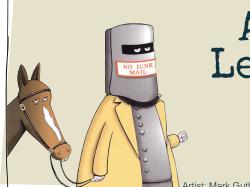
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Aussie Legends cartoon exhibition

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VIEW UNTIL 27 JAN 2020

AUSSIE LEGENDS It's almost time to pull down the fabulous Rotary Cartoon Awards 2019 to make way for our next exhibition. Drawn from our vast collection of original works, we have compiled a show featuring our Aussie Legends. From sporting stars to politicians,

caricatures to comic strips, you're bound to see some of your favourite Aussies depicted in a comical light. Opening Night is Friday 22 November 6:30pm with Nibbles Raffles and a cash bar, Entry fee is just a gold coin donation. The exhibition runs until 27 January.





3 APRIL '20-31 MAY '20



BALD ARCHY PRIZE Once again the ever popular Bald Archy Prize, notorious for its irreverent comic and satirical depictions of well-known Australians, adorned the walls of the galley. The winner – which carries a prize purse of \$10,000 – was Simon Schneider, for his painting of Australian actor, Geoffrey Rush. Unfortunately, Peter Batey, the founder of "the larrikin's answer to the slightly more serious Archibald Prize", died earlier this year. However a team of dedicated individuals are already making plans for next year so that this fabulous competition and exhibition can continue as his legacy. We look forward to hosting the Bald Archy Prize again next year.

OPENING NIGHT SNAPS!















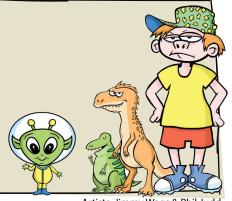
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WORKSHOPS!

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Artists: Jimmy Wags & Phil Judd

WORKSHOPS The last few months we have seen a fabulous turn out of kids showing up to our many workshops. In September we had Phil Judd teaching the children how to draw aliens and funny characters in our ever popular virtual workshops where Phil streams live from Brisbane to demonstrate via the big screen in the gallery. We are so fortunate to have the technology that links us up to highly regarded Cartoonists like Phil even when they are on other sides of the country!

We also had some of our local artists come into the gallery with Meg English from Blueberry Beetle teaching Kawaii Characters, cute drawing, movement and Halloween creatures in as many workshops. Lastly to top it off we had Jimmy Wags join us for a workshop teaching kids how to use posca pens to design a canvas full of colourful characters. So Much Fun!

We are already organizing workshops for the summer holidays so keep an eye on our social pages and the website for information. It is wonderful to have so many great cartoonists supporting the gallery and teaching our littlies the fun and the art of cartooning.

Venue HIRC It's nearly the silly season when everyone is looking for another reason to celebrate and be social from pre-Christmas, end of year parties, right through until New Year and Australia Day. When looking for a venue for your next function don't forget the gallery! We do everything from morning teas to conferences and late-night parties. With a variety of catering options and our liquor license why wouldn't you want to host your party with us? You can't get more unique than a cartoon gallery underground inside a WWII bunker... we're bound to make your event a memorable one!



