

- ELLIS HOUSE - Ellis House Community Art Centre Incorporated Art Centre 2023 Annual General Meeting **Minutes of Meeting**

Loca	tion:	Bayswater Tennis Club, 80 Murray Street, Bayswater WA 6053		
Date	/ Time:	10th October 2023, 6.30pm		
1	Welcome and Apologies			
	Caroline Friend, Swindells, Dellar Judith Eleuteri, (Assunta Melaca, Firkins, Amanda Stephanie Shepp	Present (41): (signed list attached) Caroline Friend, Cameron Gibbs, Vivianne Vos, Vincent Mulé, Catherine Lyons-Nash, Barbara Swindells, Dellarae Brakespeare, Gail Hennessy, Marie Owens, Wilma Motteram, Lesley Zampatti, Judith Eleuteri, Clare Bestow, Kate Hobbs, Tristan Coleman, Michelle Ella, Jo Haythornthwaite, Assunta Melaca, Cheryl Parnham, Pam Pougnault, Maria Eckel, Ian Harrison, Sarah Baars, Katie Firkins, Amanda Oxwell, William Vos, David Young, Linda Kiddis, David Jay Reed, Pam Tuckett, Stephanie Sheppard, Geraldine Pillinger, Trina Uren, Diana Kudsee, Peter Campagna, Matilda Fletcher, Joanne Cox, Dot Camden, Pam Toster, Phil Avard, Angelo Lopez		
	Proxies Receive	d (18):		
	McBride, Val Ga	-Hart, Tabitha Durrani, Allison Sylvestre, Geraldine Pillinger, Peta Rutherford, Sarah II, David Leith, Pamela Vigers, Alison Hanrahan, Lynne Woolford, Kike Clarke, Margaret Mundy, Tamayo Leahy, Andy Druyan, Lucy Czerwiec, Lois Moir.		
	Apologies (10) (recorded and noted)		
	Michael Perera, Paul Wolfe, Joyce Wolfe, Trish Spence, Trudi Nell, Suzanne Dagnia, Deb Armstrong, Annie Medley, Rosemary Lynch, Tamayo Leahy.			
	Welcome: Carol	ine Friend, Chairperson, welcomed everyone to the meeting.		
		rledged the traditional custodians of the land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar rontinuing culture and rich contribution they make to this society.		
2	Quorum (require	ed to be 15 financial members per the Constitution)		
	Yes: 41 financia	al members		
3	Acceptance of previous AGM Minutes			
	Accepted.			
4	Association's Ar	nnual Report (Caroline Friend, Chairperson)		
	See attache	d report.		
5	Financial Report	t (Judith Eleuteri, on behalf of Michael Perera, Treasurer)		
	See attache	d report.		
	• The financia	al report for 2022/2023 was available for all members.		
6		eep the number of General Committee Members for 2023-24 at six (in addition to ve Committee Members)		
	The resolution v	vas carried unanimously.		
7	Resolution to ke	eep the annual membership fees at \$40 for 2023-2024		
		vas carried unanimously.		
8		committee members and handover to Returning Officer cillor – City of Bayswater		



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Election of Committee Members

Committee members elected in accordance with the Ellis House Art Centre Voting Procedure, managed by Councillor Dan Bull (assisted by Councillor Assunta Meleca and Catherine Lyons-Nash:

Chairperson – Caroline Friend

Vice Chairperson – Jo Haythornthwaite

Secretary – Vincent Mulé

Treasurer – Michael Perera

General Committee:

- Wilma Motteram
- Clare Bestow
- Kate Hobbs
- Lesley Zampatti
- Tristan Coleman
- Michelle Ella

Other Business 10

- There was no other business received.
- All members were encouraged to let a Committee member know if they would like us to raise anything at the next Committee meeting.

11 **Meeting Close**

Meeting closed at 8pm

Minutes taken and prepared by: Vincent Mulé

Signed by Chairperson: Caroline Friend



20 October 2023

Attachments:

- Brief bios of elected Committee Members
- Association's (Chairperson's) Annual Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Financial Summary
- Signed Attendance Record



Committee 2023-2024

Position	Chairperson	Name	Caroline Friend	
Brief Bio	In my professional life I' workshop facilitator, bu painting and portraits. I Ellis House Art Centre o events. I am a strong advocate worked to open the Cercentre more vibrant and membership and volunt use of the Centre in the I have developed the produnteers to manage the	m a technical risk e t my passion is for look forward every n Fridays and at the for change at the El atre up to the broad d welcoming. I have ever team have gro- evenings and our rocesses and processes a year is to focus or	week to volunteering at the exhibition openings and lis House Art Centre and have der community and make the eled the Centre as our wn significantly, as has our regular events. dures to enable the efficiently and consistently.	

Position	Secretary	Name	Vincent Mulé	
Brief Bio	skill set and gained invagreat people steering the key skills and contribution. Working closely with a contribution build strong relationship common objectives. The challenges faced dust taught me resilience and overcome challenges and Maintaining open channes been a priority, fostering I aim to continue and er	luable experience are organization towons I offer include diverse range of incos and collaborate aring our journey to adaptability which aread. The sense of communication of the practice or continue or continu	dividuals has enabled me to effectively to achieve o modernise EHAC have ch makes me ready to face and ation with our members has nunity and unity within EHAC. See, ensuring all voices are ad possible best outcomes for	

Position	Treasurer	Name	Michael Perera	
Brief Bio	last 6 months. I am also currently the variety the variety of the variety of the variety of the variety of the variety. I am a retired Accountain accounting and financistock exchange, family-Profit organizations. Working in Ellis House of insight in the operations.	volunteer Treasurent-for-Profit educed issues such as ant (CPA qualified to having worked owned businessed over the last 6 most of the arts centing as the Treasure	Community Arts Centre for the rer of the One World Centre. cational and learning resource sustainable lifestyles, social with over 30 years' experience of for organizations listed on the est and small to large Not for onths I have gained a good re and its culture. I would very er of the centre, building on the est.	



Committee 2023-2024

Position	General Committee Member	
Name	Clare Bestow	A COOK
Brief Bio	Committee Member 2020 to present. Also responsible for Diversity & Inclusion. Experienced Community Development Officer. Successful grants writer, liaison with community organisations including Bayswater City Council, local schools and other community partners. Support work of committee in preparation of submissions, selected grant applications, and to work with the committee to further the development of the EHAC studio plan, including a plan to fund its development. Also to focus on developing processes to support sustainable practices at EHAC that can stand alone, independent of the strengths of individuals.	

Position	General Committee Member	The same of
Name	Wilma Motteram	
Brief Bio	Dip Art teaching WAIT (now Curtain University) Retired primary school teacher. Classroom years K - 7, art specialist, Library/ resource teacher. Committee member for about 7 years Gallery roster Volunteer.	

Position	General Committee Member	
Name	Lesley Zampatti	
Brief Bio	I have been an EHAC volunteer for two years and a committee member for one. In that time I have been an exhibition coordinator as well as the unofficial communications officer, responsible for regular email correspondence to members and subscribers, and answering general email enquiries. For well over a year I've been running weekly still-life drawing and painting sessions which are well attended and popular among members and non-members. I have also organised two of EHAC's smaller events, such as the recent artist talks with Kyle Hughes-Odgers and the forthcoming Lester Prize outing for our volunteers. I have over 40 years' experience as a journalist (photographer, reporter, senior sub-editor) and book editor, including several years writing about the visual arts scene in Perth. I studied fine art at Claremont Art School. I'm applying to be EHAC's official communications officer. If successful, I intend to formulate a communications policy and, equally importantly, a house style, so we can maintain clarity and consistency in all our written notices, flyers, posters, booklets, emails and social media posts.	



Committee 2023-2024

Position	General Committee Member	
Name	Kate Hobbs	
Brief Bio	I have been a member of the EHAC Committee for 3 years, and is Event Manager responsible for organising the Art Festival, Christmas Market, and similar functions, as well as normal committee activities. I have in the past been responsible for organising a number of opera events including at Leeuwen Estate, Houghton Estate and Fremantle Town Hall. She was previously Managing Director of several public listed exploration companies operating within Australia and internationally. I can bring to the committee a rather scatty lateral-thinking brain, willingness to take on tasks, planning ability, and desire to see Ellis House Art Centre prosper.	



Position	General Committee Member
Name	Michelle Ella
Brief Bio	Skills – Organised, self sufficient & future focused. Expertise – Love to talking to people & make it up as I go Experiences – Helped with the donations last year for Christmas raffle. Have had past experience 20 years ago, building committee and treasurer.



Position	General Committee Member	
Name	Tristan Coleman	
Brief Bio	I currently work as a TAFE lecturer in community services and have trained as a school teacher. I ran my own pottery market stall in Broome for 15 years, as well as other contracts running community art events and classes in Broome. For the position I bring good organisational and writing skills. I have experience in securing grants and fundraising for community art projects. I have a passion for art and building community through art. I like people, learning new skills and seeing good outcomes.	

Art Centre Association's Annual Report 2022-23

Ellis House Art Centre's vision is for a *creative and connected community*. Our mission (how we will achieve this) is to encourage and support creative people of all backgrounds and abilities, where they can come together, learn and exhibit their work. Everything we do is towards achieving our vision.

Our achievements in the last year include:

- Exhibitions every three weeks, with four members exhibitions (including the 'bite-size' exhibition), a diverse range of artists exhibitions (e.g. digital art, ceramics, basketry, printmaking and eco-printed textiles and artists' books) and the community exhibition for the Baigup Wetlands Interest Group.
- Our second Art Festival, opened by Mrs Janet Holmes à Court AC on October 1 with the festival exhibition of work by prominent artists. The Art Festival is also part of the City of Bayswater's 'Flourish Festival'.
- Our Christmas market, coinciding with our Christmas exhibition of members' art, which we will now host on alternative years to the Art Festival.
- Our three workshop weeks, each of which had a packed programme of art and craft sessions, including portrait drawing, digital art and basket weaving.
- Events such as a book launch, 'Lit Live' evening of live storytelling and song, a marquee at the Avon Descent Finish Line Festival, and a talk by renowned muralist Kyle Hughes-Odgers.
- A thank-you party for our volunteers, with quizzes and delicious pizzas. See the feedback from our volunteers below.
- Local musicians at events and exhibition openings.
- Inspiring, affordable classes Monday to Thursday evenings (portraits, life drawing and still life), painting on Saturday mornings, yoga on Friday mornings, and the Tuesday social painting group.
- Increasing our membership to over 270 (from 220 last year), with over 750 subscribers who want to hear what we are up to and over 1,000 followers on Facebook and Instagram
- Installing external power and lighting in the front gardens and at the top of the ramp, having the verandahs sanded and oiled, and obtaining a professional amplifier/speaker for our events and gallery openings,

Some of our plans for the coming year include:

- Our jam packed 2024 exhibition calendar we had 28 applications, mainly from groups of artists, with plenty of new names on the schedule, and our community exhibition will be the Bayswater Primary School in November.
- Sunday gazebo music sessions we are excited to be planning summer afternoon sessions in the gardens with artists such as Rose Parker (booked for 19th November), Lucky Oceans, Kavisha Mazzella.
- A free bus trip in October with morning tea, lunch and a guided tour of the Lester Prize finalists' exhibition, exclusively for some of our hardworking volunteers.

A huge thank you to our amazing team of volunteers – we now have over 70 active volunteers involved in a wide range of supporting roles, from gallery attendants, exhibition coordination, website maintenance, communications, social media, supplies, maintenance, and our committee who all work together to achieve our vision of a connected and creative community. Thank you also to the City of Bayswater for their ongoing support.

Thank you again,

Caroline

Chair, Ellis House Art Centre

Art Centre Association's Annual Report 2022-23

Feedback from our volunteer event: "What do I like about volunteering at EHAC":

- "Belonging. Being in a great team. Wonderful people. Friendships. Belong to an art community. Developing skills."
- "Love the companionship and inspiration."
- "Love the community."
- "Love meeting new people new artists (old artists)."
- "Volunteering makes me feel useful, like I'm still good for something. Lovely venue, gardens what's not to love "
- "I like to volunteer because of the social interaction and I like to help."
- "I like making friends at Ellis House with all the volunteers and artists and painting with people here instead of at home. It is great being able to exhibit our work at exhibitions and in the kitchen."
- "The opportunity to meet others brought together by art and by leaning."
- "Meeting people and working with great people. Enjoying the company of women who come in to paint on Saturdays."
- "Love the atmosphere and camaraderie, and being with like-minded people. The venue is lovely".
- "Lovely to participate in the group. Always feel welcome."
- "I love being a volunteer because: (1) I love looking at the art exhibitions (2) Love meeting the people who come in (3) Love learning from the artists who exhibit and volunteers (4) Love the "family" atmosphere (5) Love the encouragement and support from the other volunteers."
- "Enjoy meeting other artists, socialisation."
- "To give back, to help and a lovely community."
- "Love being with like-minded people, fellow artist in a lovely venue, promoting art and crafts, supporting community events."
- "Love the engagement and support from the other volunteers."

Volunteers thank-you event









Christmas Market











Exhibitions



































Events:



Classes and workshops:





ELLIS HOUSE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE INCORPORATED UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2023

Overall, there was a surplus of \$9,517 in the '22-'23 financial year compared to a loss of \$8,650 in the '21-'22 year. The table below gives a summary of the totals:

	22-'23	21-'22
	ACTUAL	LAST YEAR
Net Operating Surplus	\$4,923	\$12,348
Net Grant Income/(Deficit)	\$4,594	-\$20,998
Overall Net Surplus / Deficit	\$9,517	-\$8,650

The significant deficit in '21'-22 was due to the grant income been received in the '20-'21 year however, funds from this grant were not spent till the '21-'22 year.

With regards to the normal operations, the net surplus declined in the '22-'23 year compared to the '21-22 year. This was due to both income and expenditure been higher compared to the same period last year.

The higher income was due to a higher number of memberships and more financially successful exhibitions, resulting in higher commissions.

The main expenses that were higher than last year were:

Entertainment: \$2,230 - up on last year by \$1,380.

- Marquee for Christmas Markets-net expense: \$900
- Musicians for member's exhibition openings, -a total of \$1250

Equipment: \$6213: up \$4781 on last year. Major items were:

- Printer \$545
- Deposit for garden lighting: \$2000
- External power points in garden: \$ 2344
- Hooks and wires for exhibitions: \$738
- Replacement of LED and outdoor lights: \$285

Note: The cost of the printer, deposit for garden lighting and external power points in garden listed above were funded from a donation of \$8500 given by the Bayswater Arts Society to Ellis House Community Arts Centre in May 2021.

<u>Technology:</u> \$2,857 (includes website, Wi-Fi/telephone, membership systems (TidyHQ) and emails (Mailchimp)-up \$1,624 on last year. Major items of expense were:

- Email migration from iiNet to Microsoft: \$578
- Maintenance for the website: \$510

Repairs and Maintenance: \$1,609: up \$1539 on last year

Main item of expense was the cleaning and oiling of verandah boards.

The cost for this was \$1433.



Volunteer Events: \$1,793: up \$1,553 on last year

Main items of expense were:

- Volunteer Day \$700
- Volunteer Committee Xmas Party \$423

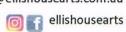
The bank balance as at the end of June 2023 was \$50,146 up from \$40,629 as at 30th June 2022.

Michael Perera, EHAC Treasurer. 6 September 2023.

UNAUDITED INCOME AND EX	PENDITURE REPORT FOR THE JULY 22 - JUNE 23 YEAR	l	
		22-'23	21-'22
		ACTUAL	LAST YEAR
		\$	\$
OPERATING INCOME			
	Art Sales	69,653	57646
	Commission	10,012	8,097
	Donations/Venue Use and Hire	676	775
	Exhibitions	4,980	4,778
	Life & Portrait Drawing Classes	9,040	1,880
	Membership	10,525	9,920
	Tea Money Donations	607	853
	CoB Art Awards Volunteering	1,100	1,100
	Misc Net Bal -Christmas Raffle	77	0
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME		106,670	85,049
OPERATING EXPENSES			
	Advertising	88	88
	AGM Expenses	647	396
	Art Sales Proceeds paid to Artists	68,825	58,123
	Audit Fees	00,023	330
	Bank charges	1,682	1,695
	Cleaning	2,150	1,850
	Donation to Bayswater Historical Society for ESL	350	0
	Entertainment	2,230	850
	Equipment	6,213	1,432
	Insurance	779	771
	Life and Portrait Drawings	9,025	2,070
	Refreshments & consumables	820	997
	Repairs & Maintenance	1,609	69
	Signage	209	0
	Printing and Stationery	1,104	960
	Studio	682	0
	Subs - Artists Chronicles, Chamber Arts & Culture	250	250
	Sundries (flowers, badges, flags, etc)	0	698
	Technology	2,857	1,233
	Training	0	235
	Utilities - COB ESL	433	414
	Volunteer Events		240
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	volunteer events	1,793 101,747	72,701
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		101,747	72,701
NET OPERATING SURPLUS/DEI	FICIT)	4,923	12,348
GRANT INCOME AND EXPEND	TURE:		
GRANT INCOME			
	City of Bayswater (Arts Festival)	5,000	
	Local Govt Grant (Gazebo)		9,750
TOTAL GRANT INCOME		5,000	9,750
TOTAL GRANT EXPENDITURE		406	30,748
NET GRANT INCOME /(DEFICIT)	4,594	-20,998
OVERALL TOTAL INCOME		111,670	94,799
OVERALL TOTAL EXPENDITURE		102,153	103,449
OVERALL NET SURPLUS/(DEFIC	'IT'	9,517	-8,650

Ellis House Community Arts Centre Incorporated Unaudited Balance Sheet as at 30th June 2023

	2023	2022
Current Assets	\$	\$
Cash at Bank	50146	40629
Cash Float	50	50
Total Current Assets	50196	40679
Total Non - Current Assets	0	0
Total Assets	50196	40679
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	0	0
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Non- Current Liabilities	0	0
Total Non- Current Liabilities	0	0
Total Liabilities	0	0
Net Assets	50196	40679
Net Assets	30130	40073
Members's Funds		
Retained Earnings	40679	49279
Current Year surplus/(Deficit)	9517	-8650
Cash Float brought to account		50
Total Members Funds	50196	40679





Annual General Meeting 2023 Attendance Record

	Name	Signature	Financial Member?
1	Vivianne Vos	Wiles /	Υ
2	Cameron Gibbs	Cer ht	Y
3	Caroline Friend		Υ
4	Vincent Mulé + Proxy votes x 1	Wile.	Y
5	Catherine Lyon-Nash	11/1/1/1	Υ
6	Barbara Swindells + Proxy votes x 5	Boundell	Y
7	Dellarae Brakespeare + Proxy votes x 1	M/Inhern J	Υ
8	Gail Hennesy	Ain)	Υ
9	Marie Owens	Jowen i	Υ
10	Wilma Motteram	Whiteram	Υ
11	Lesley Zampatti	(Pamperox' V	Υ
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13	Clare Bestow	lores, 1	Υ
14	Kate Hobbs + Proxy votes x ⁴ 5	llip.	Υ
15	Tristan Coleman	T. Colem	Υ
16	Michelle Ella-James + 2	cheela V	Υ
17	Jo Haythornthwaite	John J	Υ
18	Assunta Meleca	de 1	Υ



	Name	Signature	Financial Member?
19	Cheryl Parnham	danh.	Υ
20	Pam Pougnault	Mexicanous W	Υ
21	Elzara Wessling	,	Υ
22	Ute Maria Eckel	Whore El 1	Υ
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24	Sarah Baars	Baas. V	Υ
25	Kate Firkins	Klirkus 1	Υ
26	Misha Harding		Υ
27	Tina Ostrogonac		Υ
28	Amanda Oxwell	Child, 1	luli X pd
29	William Vos Doppe	CATED.	Y
30	David Young	Tokung V	Υ
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32	David Jay Reed	a sie I feel!	Y
33	Pam Tuckett	Prostectoff 1	Y
34	Stephanie Sheppard	Stapparce 1	Υ
35	Geraldine Pillinger	Solding 1	Y
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	Name	Signature	Financial Member?
40	PRINA UREN -	2 V	4
41	DIANA KUDSEE	Span 1	Y
42	PETER CAMPAGNA	A Daw .	Ч
43	MATILDA FLETCHER /	Afalloto	Ч
44	JOANNE COX		4
45	DOT CAMDEN	Handen	Ч
46	PAM TOSTER	Most	Ч
47	LINDA KIDDIS	Titolik	Ч
48	Puil AVARD	SCOL-	Ч
49	ANGELO LODEZ	Enda.	Y
50	WILLIAM VOS	W.	4
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