



President's Report

December, 2008

2008 has been a very successful year for the Far South Coast Living Artist Project.

Poppy Benton's exhibition at Narek Galleries, Tanja, around Easter, 2008, was a huge success and a sell out.

The Art Auction, Queens Birthday weekend in June, was another of the year's great successes, with support from local artists and John Olsen, Ron Tandberg and Ken Done. Along with this we ran two Art Raffles, featuring works by Philip Cox, Nafisa Naomi and Living Treasure 2008, glass artist, Klaus Moje. Adding to these funds, were many generous donations, raising the \$35,000 for the FSCLAP Scholarship.

The award of the 2009 scholarship to Tanja Riese, a Tanja based print maker, in July was another highpoint of the year. I wish her all the best with her exhibition, which will coincide with The Four Winds Festival, Easter 2010.

I wish to thank everyone who has contributed to our amazing success this year, including the events volunteers, photographers, those who handled media releases and our Scholarship judges and mentors. Thanks also to all the Committee members for the remarkable achievements of 2008.

FSCLAP has achieved everything we could have ever imagined. It has highlighted professionalism in the arts and raised the public profile of the arts in the community, this along with building on the growing awareness of the far south coast "Arts Trail".