

**Plein Air
DOWN
UNDER**



PEEL REGION
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**26-28
SEPT 2020**

**MANDURAH
PINJARRA**

Outdoor Painting Festival

Painting by Judith Rigter

Over
\$8,000
In Cash and Prizes

- Workshops
- Outdoor Painting
- Exhibition

Workshops and demonstrations by
Brendon Darby, Leon Holmes & Cass Gartner



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Festival program at a glance

FESTIVAL DAY ONE | SAT 26 Sept | Mandurah

Mandurah Terrace's Eastern Foreshore, near TODS Cafe

- 8am onwards:** Artist registration and board stamping at the Bendigo Bank Marquee
- 9am:** Cass Gartner Painting Demonstration near TODS Café
- 9am onwards:** Painting for registered artists
- 9am onwards:** Free children's art activity, Tiny Shops on Wheels
- 2pm:** Quick Draw Two Hour Painting Competition, Mandurah Concert Band
- 4.30 – 5.30pm:** Quick Draw judging, awards and sales
- 6.30pm onwards:** Artists evening at Catch 22, Mandurah Ocean Marina

FESTIVAL DAY TWO | SUN 27 Sept | Pinjarra

Pinjarra's Town Square, George Street near the suspension bridge

- 8am onwards:** Board stamping at the Bendigo Bank Marquee
- 9am:** Brendon Darby Painting Demonstrations near Town Square
- 9am onwards:** Painting throughout the Pinjarra Heritage Trail
- 9am onwards:** Outdoor painting exhibition
- 4pm:** Pinjarra judging day, awards and sales
- 6.30pm onwards:** Artists evening at Catch 22, Mandurah Ocean Marina

FESTIVAL DAY THREE | MON 28 Sep | Mandurah

Morning: Doddies Beach, Halls Head Parade

- 8am onwards:** Board stamping at the Bendigo Bank Marquee, Doddies Beach
- 9am:** Leon Holmes Painting Demonstration, Doddies Beach
- 9am – 12.30pm:** Painting around Doddies Beach and Mary Street Lagoon

Afternoon from 1pm: Mandurah Terrace's Eastern Foreshore, near TODS Café

- 1pm:** Artists and supporters BYO picnic
- 2 - 3pm:** On easel exhibition and sales

POST FESTIVAL | SAT 3 & SUN 4 OCT

Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah

- 10am – 4pm both days:** Judge's Invitational Exhibition
- 2pm Sunday 4 October:** Awards Presentations

A Message from Hon David Templeman, MLA



As Local Member and as Western Australia's Minister for the Arts, I am particularly proud to be Patron of the Mandurah Plein Air Artists.

This diverse group of local artists continue to capture our magnificent built and natural forms in the plein air style. I love that these artists are regularly seen throughout our region capturing these forms creating an opportunity for people to observe these creatives at work.

This second Plein Air Down Under Outdoor Painting Festival is a magnificent addition to our Region's culture and arts calendar. Congratulations and thank you to all artists and supporters of this Festival.

Hon David Templeman MLA
Member for Mandurah
Minister for Culture and the Arts

A message from Mayor Rhys Williams



Kaya. Wandju Wandju. (Hello. Welcome)

Plein Air Down Under is a colourful, fun and welcome addition to our local events calendar and a unique celebration of Mandurah's stunning natural environment. It would be hard to find a more beautiful place for painting 'en plein air' and we are so pleased to host you all here.

This unique event is a testament to the dedication and passion of our local artistic community. I wish all the artists, participants and volunteers the best for another successful competition.

Mayor Rhys Williams

Welcome to Plein Air Down Under

Plein Air Down Under 2020 welcomes artists and visitors to the magnificent Peel Region; from the picturesque waterways of Mandurah to the historic buildings of nearby Pinjarra.

And in what we believe is an Australian first, a 'Virtual Paint Out' will be a special feature for Australian artists unable to attend in person.

Whether you are an artist, art enthusiast or art collector, Plein Air Down Under 2020 has something for everyone.

"Plein air painting is the largest movement in art history – and growing."
Eric Rhodes, Plein Air Magazine

And this movement has become a lifestyle. Artists of all skill levels and mediums are here to celebrate the joy of painting outdoors, or as the French would say, "en plein air". Workshops and demonstrations by internationally recognised artists, paint outs and exhibition opportunities all add to the immersive experience.

Feature artists Leon Holmes, Cass Gartner and Brendon Darby's workshops sold out quickly, however you will see them painting and demonstrating throughout the festival weekend. Don't miss them!

This festival is proudly supported by Peel Development Commission, City of Mandurah, Visit Mandurah and Halls Head Community Bank and we encourage you to support the Major Sponsors and Supporters who have made this event possible. Whether you need accommodation, a meal or are simply having a coffee; your support will make a difference.

Finally, thank you to all the participating artists. This will be a time of new experiences, challenges and friendships; enjoy every minute! Happy painting and see you in the great outdoors.

Barb Thoms
Mandurah Plein Air Artists Incorporated.



Oceanic Vibe - Deb Zibah

QUICK DRAW PAINTING COMPETITION

Saturday 26 Sept

Mandurah's eastern foreshore (TODS café end), Boardwalk Precinct and Mandjar Square

**Register
Now**

This high energy two-hour competition is one of the highlights of Plein Air Down Under's three-day festival program. Together, artists and spectators are immersed in the creative process. Smell the wet paint and get caught up in the excitement of watching art come to life before your eyes!

Registration and Sign-in:

8.00 am to 1.30 pm at the Bendigo Bank Marquee

Painting Competition: 2 – 4 pm

Judging and Sales: 4.30 – 5.30 pm

Would you like to take part?

Pre-register online or pay \$10 on the day.

All ages welcome.

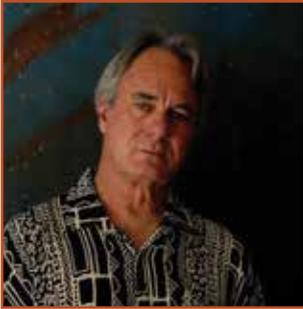


The Mandurah Plein Air Artists invite you to paint with them on Tuesday mornings, somewhere in the great outdoors. All skill levels, mediums and ages – simply a group of friendly, like-minded people who enjoy painting the landscape.

Check Facebook for weekly paint out locations.



Guest Artists



Presenting

Brendon Darby

feature guest artist and workshop facilitator.

A multi-award winning artist, Brendon has held more than 40 solo exhibitions across Australia, in Austria, Italy, Hong Kong and London.

Primarily known for his stunning landscapes and portraits, many of which bridge the gap between realism and abstract, Brendon has been a finalist in The Archibald Prize, The Doug Moran National Portrait Prize and The Black Swan for Portraiture.



Brendon's workshop sold out quickly, but you will see him painting throughout the festival.

His Pinjarra demonstration will be held near the Town Square on George Street on Sunday 27 September at 9am.



Presenting

Cass Gartner

feature guest artist and
workshop facilitator.

Cass exhibits annually, in and around Perth.
Her love of watercolours continues to grow and
she enjoys the advantages of working from life,
welcoming the challenges it demands.

She was the winner
of the 2018 Mandurah
Crab Fest en plein
air competition and a
finalist in the 2018 Collie
Art Awards.

Cass paints en plein air
in Europe and delights
in its café and street
scenes.



If you missed a place
in her workshop, don't
miss her painting
demonstration
on Saturday 26
September, near
TODS Café, at 9am.



Presenting

Leon Holmes

feature guest artist and
workshop facilitator.

A professional, international award-winning plein air artist, lecturer and ambassador, Leon paints from life on location, without the aid of photography.

He uses his small studies as reference for larger studio works.

Travelling regularly to exhibit and teach at events around the world, Leon is honoured to have one of his paintings hanging amongst Dutch masterpieces in Holland's Katwijk Museum.



Leon will be painting each day of the festival. Check out Doddies Beach at 9am Monday 28 September for Leon's painting demonstration.



After the rain - Painted plein air on the road to Pinjarra

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A woman with dark hair, wearing a patterned t-shirt and a dark apron, is focused on her work in a workshop or studio. She is leaning over a workbench, possibly using a tool. The background shows a desk with a computer monitor, a lamp, and a bulletin board with various papers and photos pinned to it. The lighting is warm and focused on the woman.

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Awards and Prizes

The 2020 Plein Air Down Under Festival has over **\$8000 in prizes and awards spread over 6 categories.**

Youth Awards

Young artists are invited to take part in all aspects of the festival, with awards presented in the following categories:

Quick Draw under 13
Quick Draw aged 13 – 18
Youth Award under 13
Youth Award aged 13 – 18

Quick Draw Awards

Presented at 4.30 pm Saturday 26 September, Mandurah foreshore near TODS Café

\$500 in products

Best Oil Painting, presented by Michael Harding Paints & Leon Holmes Products

\$500 Best Watercolour Painting

presented by the Mandurah Caravan & Tourist Park

\$500 Best Painting

(other than oil or watercolour) presented by the Peel Chamber of Commerce & Industry

\$200 Highly Commended

presented by Silver Sands Resort

\$200 Highly Commended

presented by Catch 22 Tapas & Cocktail Lounge

\$200 Highly Commended

presented by Diverse Glazing Group

\$50 in art supplies

Youth Award under 13, presented by Jacksons Drawing Supplies

\$100 in art supplies

Youth Award aged 13 – 18, presented by Jacksons Drawing Supplies

General Awards

Presented at the Judge's Invitational Exhibition at 2.00 pm 4 October, Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah

\$2,500 Professional Category

presented by the City of Mandurah

\$1,000 Non-professional Category

presented by Bendigo Bank Halls Head

\$500 People's Choice Award

presented by Mandurah Holiday Rentals

\$50 Youth Award under 13

presented by Bendigo Bank Halls Head

\$100 Youth Award aged 13 – 18

presented by Bendigo Bank Halls Head

Pinjarra Awards

Presented at 4.00pm Sunday 27 September, Pinjarra Town Square

\$500 Pinjarra Award

presented by Pinjarra Connect.

Prize Draws: Receive a ticket for every painting done as part of the Pinjarra Heritage Trail.

Prizes include: Jarra Infusion meal vouchers, art supplies, wine and more...

Virtual Paint Out

presented by Senior Art Supplies

Prizes drawn at 3.00pm Sunday 4 October, Contemporary Art Spaces Mandurah

\$1000 in total art supply vouchers:

10 winners at \$100 each

Silver Chain Award

Presented at the Silver Chain Painting Area
Silver Chain Trophy

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Painting Zones Overview



Day 1

Mandurah
Sat 26 Sept



Day 2

Pinjarra (inset)
Sun 27 Sept

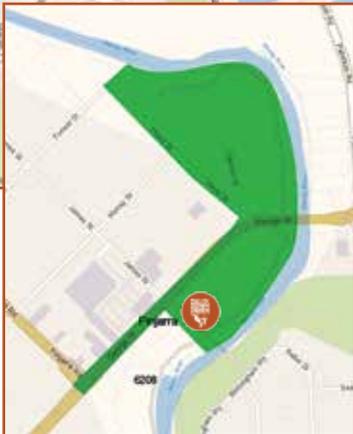
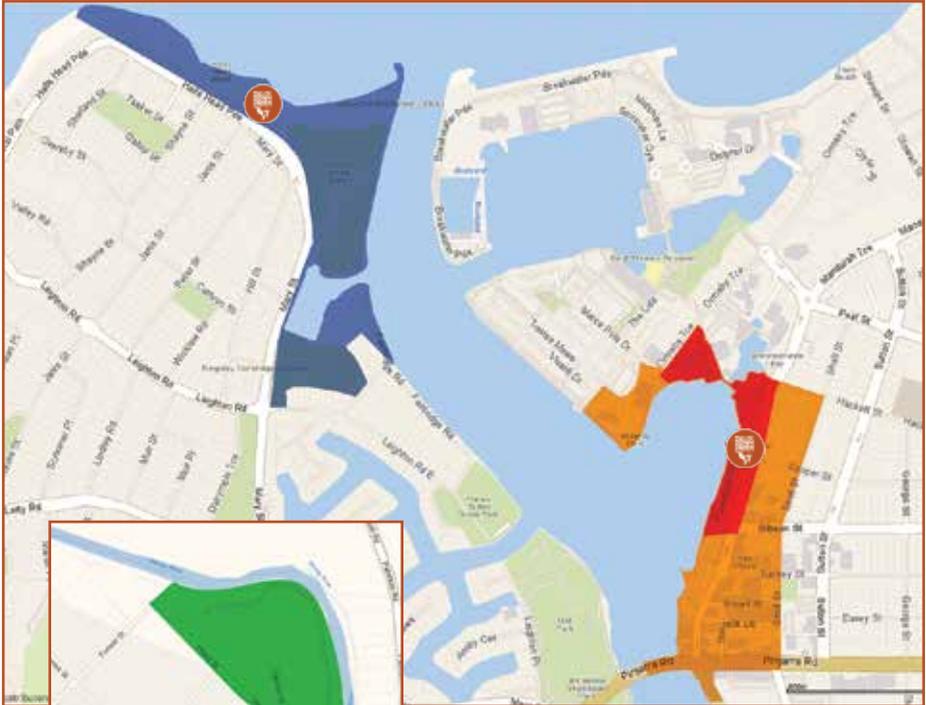


Day 3

Mandurah
Mon 28 Sept



Quick Draw



Festival Hub

Registration:

If you would like to paint at Plein Air Down Under and haven't registered, visit the Bendigo Bank Information Marquee.

Three-day festival: \$60 adults,
\$10 aged 18 and under

Quick Draw Saturday only: \$10

DAY ONE MANDURAH

Painting Zones Mandurah



General painting from 9am:

Mandurah Terrace, Eastern Foreshore, Sholl Street, the Boardwalk Precinct and Mandjar Square to Stingray Point.

Please note:



Quick Draw 2 – 4 pm:

The Quick Draw painting zone begins at the Rotunda on the foreshore, continuing through the Boardwalk Precinct and Mandjar Square, and ending at Mandurah Boat Hire.



Activities

Saturday
26
September

From 8am: Bendigo Bank Information Marquee

Mandurah Terrace Eastern Foreshore, TODS Café end

Painting Zones:

9am:

Feature Guest Artist Cass Gartner painting demonstration, near TODS Cafe

From 9am:

Artists will be painting around Mandurah Terrace, Eastern Foreshore, Sholl Street, the Boardwalk Precinct and Mandjar Square to Stingray Point. Tiny Shops on Wheels, Bendigo Bank free children's art activity

Please note:

2 – 4 pm:

The Quick Draw painting zone is confined to the Rotunda on the foreshore, including the Boardwalk Precinct, Mandjar Square and ending at Mandurah Boat Hire. Mandurah Concert Band.

4.30 – 5.30 pm:

Quick Draw judging, awards and on easel sales
Special guest: Hon David Templeman, MLA and WA's Minister for Culture and the Arts

From 6.30:

Catch 22, Dolphin Quay, Zephyr Mews
Please join us and mingle with the artists

Free Parking:

Time limits apply



Summer Fields - Hilly Coufreur

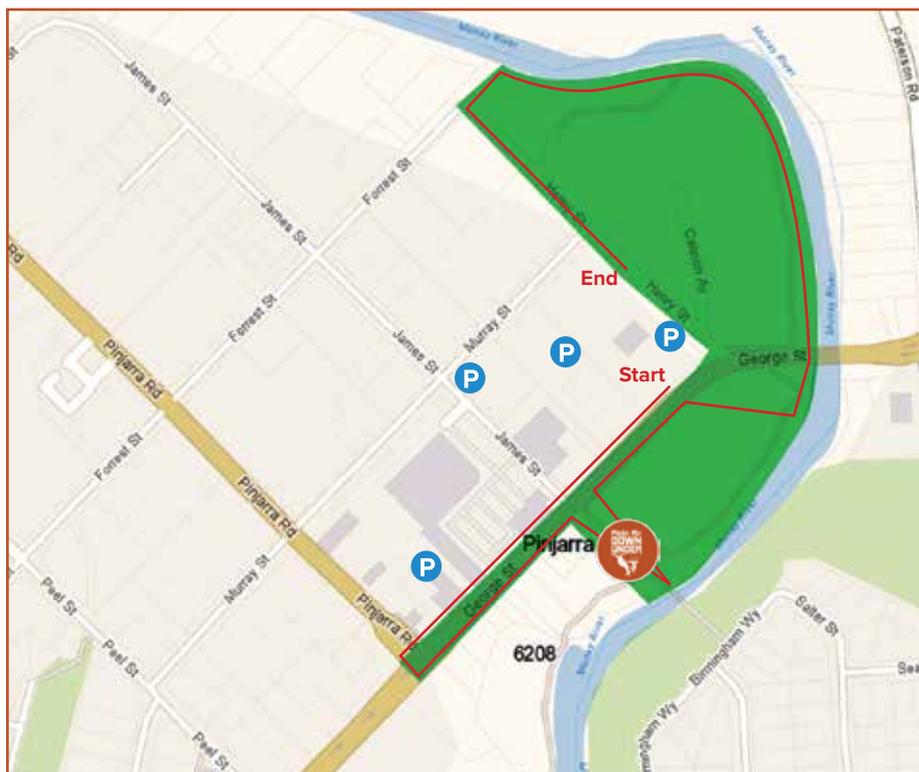
DAY TWO PINJARRA

Painting Zones Pinjarra

General painting from 9am:

Artists will be painting along the Pinjarra Heritage Trail.

— Pick up a free map from the Bendigo Bank Marquee and follow the trail.



Activities

Sunday
27
September

From 8am: Bendigo Bank Information Marquee

Pinjarra Town Square, George Street Pinjarra

Painting Zones:

9am:

Feature Guest Artist Brendon Darby painting demonstration, near suspension bridge

From 9am:

Artists will be painting around the Town Square and the Pinjarra Heritage Trail
Mandurah Plein Air Artists exhibition at the Court House, George Street
Outdoor exhibition in the Town Square

4pm:

Pinjarra judging, awards and on easel sales

From 6.30pm:

Catch 22, Dolphin Quay, Zephyr Mews Mandurah
Please join us and mingle with the artists

Free Parking:

Time limits apply



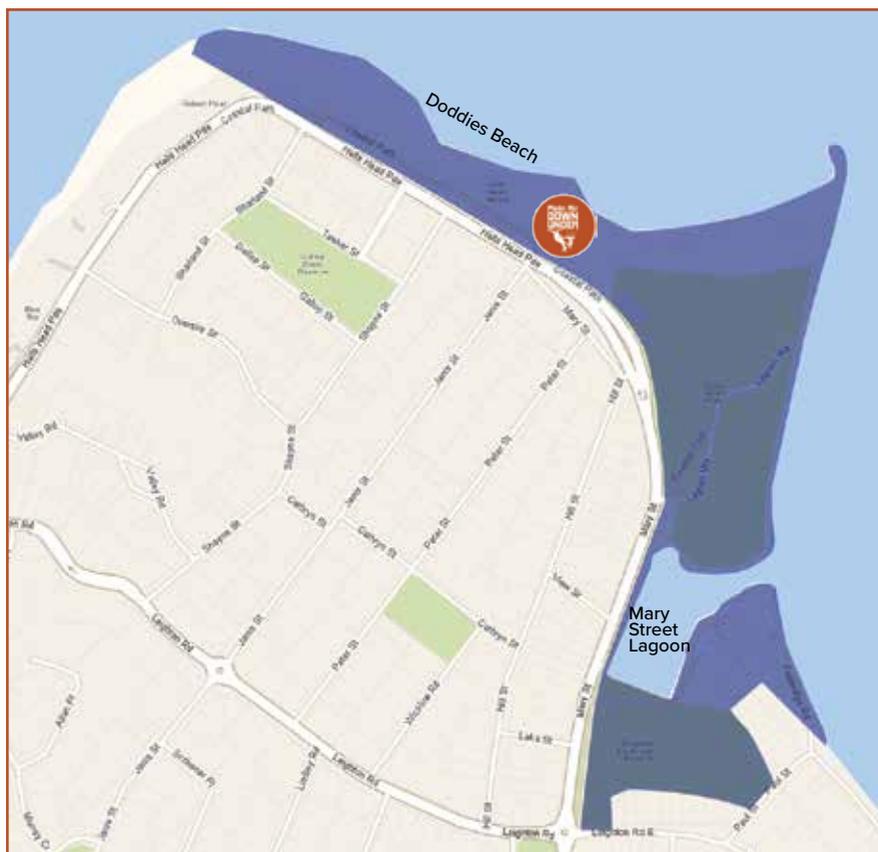
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- Corrine Rapley

DAY THREE MANDURAH

Painting Zones Mandurah

● General painting from 9am:

Artists will be painting along Doddies Beach Halls Head and around the Mary Street Lagoon, until 12.30 pm.



Activities

Monday
28
September

From 8am: Bendigo Bank Information Marquee
Doddies Beach, Mary Street Halls Head

Painting Zones:

9am:

Feature Guest Artist Leon Holmes painting demonstration, Doddies Beach.

From 9am – 12.30pm:

Artists will be painting around Doddies Beach and the Mary Street Lagoon

1 – 2pm:

Mandurah Terrace Foreshore, near TODS Cafe
Artists and supporters BYO picnic

2 – 3pm:

On easel exhibition and sales

Free Parking:

Time limits apply



Marina Boats - Constance Conroy



Doddies Beach - Tiffany Forster

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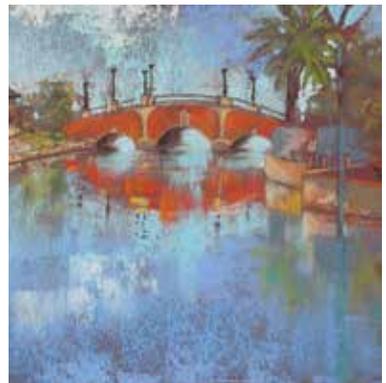
Hon David Templeman MLA is WA's Minister for Culture and the Arts and Patron of the Mandurah Plein Air Artists. He has been an active participant in the Mandurah arts sector for many years, and performs in his annual Christmas Charity Show to support the Peel Region's young people who are pursuing careers in the Arts.



Gillian Kaye Peebles is a highly respected artist whose successful career spans some forty-five years. Her senior accreditations are with the Royal Academy of Arts in London and include 'The Judging of Visual Arts at International Level' and 'Exhibition procedures and Artistic Studies'.



The Chimneys - Barb Thoms



Mariners Cove - Tiffany Forster

Special thanks

Plein Air Down Under is made possible through our dedicated volunteers, project coordinators and participants, and we extend our sincere thanks to all involved.

Festival Vision: Leon Holmes

Project Coordinators: Pauline Bright, Barb Thoms, Judith Darlington, Leon Holmes, Nanci Nott, Aiveen O'Donovan and Jo Wood, with support from the Mandurah Plein Air Artists Inc.

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Quick Draw Music: Mandurah Concert Band, led by Michael P. Baker

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APPROACHING LANDSCAPES

Pinjarra Court House

2 Sep - 2 Oct

Wed to Sun

10am to 2pm



Mandurah Canals - Jos Coufreur

A collaborative exhibition of paintings created outdoors, or as the French would say “en plein air” Pinjarra Court House, George Street Pinjarra.



Lobster for Lunch - Leon Holmes 2019 PADU winning painting



presents

JUDGE'S INVITATIONAL EXHIBITION

Contemporary Art Spaces

Mandurah

3 and 4 Oct,

10am to 4pm

This exhibition will feature paintings created during Plein Air Down Under's outdoor painting festival, selected by Judges Gillian Kaye Peebles and the Hon. David Templeman MLA.

Also exhibited are:

- All Plein Air Down Under winners
- Plein air work by feature guest artists Cass Gartner, Brendon Darby and Leon Holmes
- A selection of artwork by all participating professional artists

Plein Air Down Under Award Presentations

Sunday 4th October at 2pm

Contemporary Art Spaces
Mandurah

63 Ormsby Terrace Mandurah