

Newsletter No. 5 December 2022

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L to R: Intermediate Raranga class, Shona MacGibbon's beautiful quilt in progress and Intro to Drawing class

Meri Kirihimete to all our DWEA family!

We've had a fantastic year at DWEA, with amazing community support as always, both from our students, our tutors and our funders! Without the support from each of these groups, we simply couldn't exist, so thank you to each and every one of you!

It's been so fun to watch the classes grow, with our newest course a beginners' Photography class planned for late in Term 1 - check the third page to see what's coming up in 2023!

Meri Kirihimete me te Hape Nū Ia! Merry Christmas and a



Student Val Fisher made the super cute elf here as part of a Christmas table runner in the Patchwork class

Tutor update

We've been very lucky to have so many new tutors join us this year, bringing many new areas of interest with them!
In order of joining, our heartfelt thanks to:

Lucy Smith

Tammy Prescott
Crochet tutor

Rewa Elliot-Sharpin

Te Reo tutor

Alison Ford Knitting tutor

Jo Duffy

Slow cooker tutor

Greg Parsons

Web design tutor and in 2023, we look forward to welcoming:

Paul Donovan

Photography tutor
And as always, we're very
grateful for our original
Fabulous Four tutors:

Mary Geary (Patchwork),
Nancy McLennan
Hughes (Drawing and
Painting), Ron Esplin
(Watercolours) and Sue
Cheer (Art Journaling).

GIFT VOUCHERS!

Hot off the press and just in time for Christmas, we have gift vouchers - the perfect gift for that friend or whānau member, or even the workmate that you were wanting to drag along to a class with you! You choose the amount or class, and we email the virtual voucher to you to send or to print, or we can email directly to the lucky recipient. Valid for 12 months from date of purchase. Please note: the voucher will only be emailed, as we can't send actual paper copies at the moment. Please contact Nicola at dunedinwea@gmail.com if you'd like to purchase one.



Notes from the DWEA office

Our Christmas/summer hours

Our Coordinator Nicola will be on leave from 12 December until 9 January, but will be checking her emails, especially for gift voucher order. Otherwise, she'll get back to you once she's back in the office.

Arty Allsorts!

Our lovely President and Patchwork tutor, Mary Geary, has offered to host a more social art and craft type group once a month, for those wanting to meet with others at our usual space, and to work on their own individual projects. No matter what your art of choice is: quilting, art journaling, drawing, knitting, painting, you're welcome!

This group will be open to anyone who has taken one of our classes in the past or is enrolling for Term 1 2023. There will be no teaching as such, just the companionship of likeminded people, sharing ideas and creativity, and a cup of tea and a biscuit or two!

Students will supply their own material or projects and lunch, and will meet on the first Saturday of each month, from 10am - 3pm, with a charge of \$5 per session to cover tea and coffee and venue costs. There's no obligation to come to each session, or to book in advance, just turn up with your materials or your project!

The first session will be at 10am, Saturday 4 March 2023, at the South Dunedin Community Network, 278a King Edward St. And thanks very much to Southland Education for letting us share their craftily appropriate name!





TERM 1, 2023 PROGRAMME

Our classes are held at the South Dunedin Community Network, 278a King Edward St. 50% discount on class fees for Community Services Card holders, upon verification.

ART JOURNALING FOR BEGINNERS

with Sue Cheer

7 - 9pm, Wednesdays 1 Feb - 8 Mar \$80 includes materials

INTRODUCTION TO DRAWING

with Nancy McLennan Hughes
7 - 9pm, Thursdays 2 Feb - 9 Mar

\$80 includes materials

ART OF BEGINNERS MĀORI RARANGA

with Lucy Smith

10 - 2pm, Sundays 12, 19 AND 26 Feb \$40 includes materials

WONDERFUL WATERCOLOUR

with Ron Esplin

10am - 4pm, Sunday 5 Mar OR 19 Mar (1 day only)

\$50 includes materials

BEGINNERS AMIGURUMI CROCHET

with Tammy Prescott

6 - 8pm, Wednesdays 22 Mar - 26 Apr \$80 includes materials

ELEMENTAL WEB

with Greg Parsons

7 - 8:30pm, Thursdays 2 Feb - 23 Mar \$80 BYO laptop/tablet with keyboard

KNITTING FOR BEGINNERS AND ABOVE

with Alison Ford

7 - 9pm, Tuesdays 7 Feb - 14 Mar \$80 includes some materials, BYO materials after Week 1

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with Rewa Elliot-Sharpin
5:30 - 7:30pm, Mondays 13 Feb - 27 Mar
\$80

HOW TO PAINT

with Nancy McLennan Hughes

10am - 4pm, Sundays 12 AND 26 Mar
\$80 includes materials

PHOTOGRAPHY: GETTING STARTED

with Paul Donovan

7 - 9pm, Tuesdays 28 Mar - 9 May \$80 BYO digital camera or phone camera

SLOW COOKER MEALS

with Jo Duffy

10 - 12pm Sun 30 Apr AND 7-9pm Mon 8 May \$35 includes food and lend of slow cookers

With many thanks to our funders:









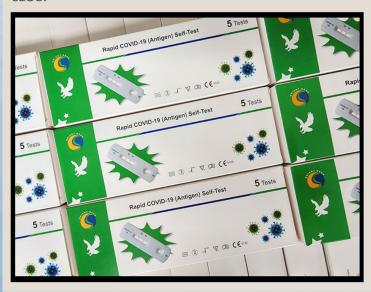




A beautiful kete in progress, woven by clever student Tessa Kingsbury, after her class with our amazing Kairaranga Lucy Smith

FREE COVID TESTS

With Covid rearing its ugly head again, it's a good time to mention that if anyone needs any Covid tests, the South Dunedin Community Network received a very generous donation from Te Kaika recently, to give out free to any members of the community who might need them. The Network will be closed on Friday 16 December, until 30 January, but if you would like a box or two before or after that, please pop into the office and one of the lovely people there will help you out. You're also welcome to grab yourself some when you come in for classes. As we've probably all experienced by now, they're one of those things that can be quite handy to have on hand - just in case!



The Gratitude Column

I'd like to acknowledge the absolutely invaluable help and support that DWEA continues to get from Lesley du Mez of Southland Education - there's nothing she doesn't know about WEA and she's unfailingly generous in sharing her time and knowledge - thank you so much, Lesley!

We'd also like to thank the South Dunedin Community Network for the use of their rooms, which we so appreciate. And lastly, a massive thank you to our funders - we simply couldn't function as we are without them!

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