



Amazing work in our Winged Insects Mosaic class



Delicious recipes in progress in our slow cooking class

News from Dunedin WEA

Welcome to Spring at last, we can't wait for Term 4!

We hope you all enjoyed our Term 3 classes, there have been some long cold days and evenings during winter, but it was wonderful to see so many of you still coming out for class throughout the term. It's been quite a strange feeling planning for some Christmas classes during August, but the last part of the year always goes very quickly! We've seen some amazing work from students this term, many examples of which are shown in this newsletter.

We are very excited to be releasing our Term 4 programme along with this newsletter. We have old favourites on offer again - knitting, watercolour, Raranga, cupcake decorating, and Mary (returning from a break in Term 3) and Chrissy are back again with two courses each this term. Rewa will be offering Taumata Tuarua, a next step up Te Reo course for those who have completed her first class. Andrea will be offering two mosaics workshops again, as well as a weeknight Art Journaling course, which we are delighted to bring back to our class line up. Karen will be running a Christmas themed straw weaving class in Mosgiel again, after her students from Term 3 enthusiastically requested this. We are also excited to offer two other brand new courses this term - Floristry for Beginners, and a new image editing course based in Adobe Lightroom. So you can see it is a busy term once again! We look forward to welcoming you to class in October.

- Kirsty



Lovely work produced in Heritage Straw Weaving



PRESIDENT'S PIECE

Tēnā Koutou DWEA members

Recently several of our tutors and our committee attended some professional learning and development which included a dumpling making workshop with Emiko Cowell. We were focusing on what it was like to be a learner and it was heaps of fun. The workshop provided the tutor team and the committee with a chance to connect, not only with each other but with others working in adult education. It was really nice to undertake some training with colleagues from Supergrans and South Dunedin Community Network.

Learning new skills and indulging our creative side is what DWEA is all about. Is it too early to say meri kirihimete? Maybe not when you see our proposed programme for next term. Have a look – there are some new offerings as well as some old favourites. I hope you can find something to tempt you to enrol for a class in Term 4.

Mary Geary
President
DWEA

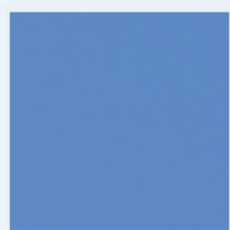


Left: The finished product, Gyoza dumplings from our tutor workshop Right: Kirsty (Programme Coordinator) and Barbara (committee member) learning the art of the perfect dumpling



Left: Deliciously decorated cupcakes in progress Right: T3 Raranga class





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Te Wāhi Ākoranga o Ōtepoti

CLASSES FOR TERM 4, 2024

ADVANCED KNITTING

with Alison Ford

6:30 - 8:30pm, Thursdays 17 Oct - 21 Nov, \$80

ART JOURNALLING

with Andrea Evans-McCall

6:30 - 8:30pm, Tuesdays 15 Oct - 5 Nov, \$80
(materials included)

MOSAIC ART

with Andrea Evans McCall - 2 options:

Sunday 17 Nov, 9:30am-4:00pm, Winged Insects
\$70 (materials included)

Sunday 1 Dec, 9:30am-4:00pm, Plant Pot Head,
\$60 (materials included)

FLORISTRY FOR BEGINNERS

with Elizabeth Jenkins

Saturday 5 Oct, 10 - 4:00pm, \$70 (materials
included)

ADOBE LIGHTROOM FOR BEGINNERS

with Gary McClintock

6:30-8:30pm, Wednesdays 16 Oct - 27 Nov
(excludes 30 Oct), \$70

HERITAGE STRAW WEAVING - CHRISTMAS CLASS

with Karen Browne

Sunday 17 Nov, 1 - 4:00pm, \$40 (Mosgiel location)

DECORATIVE XMAS TREE WORKSHOP

with Chrissy Hollamby

Sunday 8 December, 10-2:00pm, \$45 (materials
included)

TAUMATA TUARUA

with Rewa Elliot-Sharpin

5:30 - 7:00pm, Mondays 14 Oct - 25 Nov
(excluding 28 Oct), \$70

ART OF BEGINNERS MAORI RARANGA (WEAVING)

with Lucy Smith

6:30 - 9:00pm, Thursdays 21 Nov - 12 Dec,
\$80

PATCHWORK QUILTING

with Mary Geary - 2 options:

Saturday 2 Nov, 9:30-4:00pm, Xmas Tree
Quilt \$55

Saturday 7 Dec, 9:30-3:30pm, 'Crazy' Quilting,
\$50

BEGINNERS WATERCOLOUR - HOLIDAY CARDS

with Ron Esplin

10-1pm, Sundays 10 Nov AND 24 Nov, \$75

FLORAL WREATH EMBROIDERY

with Chrissy Hollamby

Sunday 20 Oct, 9-3pm, \$60

BEGINNERS CREATIVE CUPCAKES

with Jo Smith

Sunday 3 Nov, 9:30-4:30pm, \$60 (materials
included)



Discounts on class fees available for Community Services Card holders, upon verification

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TUTOR PROFILE – ELIZABETH JENKINS

This term we welcome Elizabeth Jenkins, to DWEA. Elizabeth has extensive floristry experience, and will be tutoring our Floristry for Beginners class.

Tell me a bit about floristry - how can people use these skills in everyday life?

You can always pick a posy from the garden, which is one of the nicest gifts you can give to anyone. As a lifetime skill, you could work with flowers in a florist shop creating bouquets, wedding, church and reception flowers, or corporate and reception displays. Or you could become a freelance florist and work from your own premises.

How long have you been involved in floristry?

From a very early age I have gathered flowers. Primroses from the English woods, or creating fairy houses on the way to school from the wild roadside grasses. I later gained a diploma from the London School of Floristry.

What do you love most about floristry? What draws you to it?

Being able to select a few flowers and leaves, choosing colours and shapes that go together, enjoying the texture, perfume and the sheer delight of nature at its best - that is what I love.

Do you have a favourite piece you've created?

One of my favourites is a beautiful wedding bouquet. Another a simple jam jar for the windowsill.

What is your best advice to someone starting floristry?

if you want to work with flowers as a lifetime career, either apprentice yourself to a qualified florist or enrol at an online NZ school of floristry.



Left: Elizabeth at work with floral creations. Right: Examples of Elizabeth's work

The Gratitude Column

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And thanks as always to the South Dunedin Community Network for the use of their rooms, which we so appreciate.



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