

# FRIENDS OF THE ART MUSEUM

# **NEWSLETTER 2014**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Friends of the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Art Museum takes pride in Nelson Mandela Bay's Visual Art Collection and are investing in its development, preservation and celebration.

## **MARKETING NEWS**

The Art Museum is updating their website www.artmuseum.co.za.

### Art Museum website features:

- contains information on the current and past exhibitions, events and education programmes
- you can book workshops or guided tours
- request information
- it has a search functionality built in for you to search the Art Museum's Permanent Collection where you can view the artworks

Don't forget to follow and like the 'Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Art Museum' Facebook page





# **Annual General Meeting 2014**

The Friends held their 2014 Annual General Meeting on 13 March. The AGM was followed by a lecture presented by Dr Melanie Hillebrand titled "Will a knitter ever win the Turner Prize?" The lecture explored the status of knitting as a craft, technology, and vehicle for cultural activism.



## **SPONSORSHIPS**

The Friends of the Art Museum sponsored the travel expenses of David Walters to deliver the ceramics for the exhibition *Legacy*.

The exhibition, *Legacy, David Walters and Friends: Tribute to Juliet Armstrong* opened on the 5 March 2014.

It commemorated the life of the late Professor Juliet Armstrong as well as at the University of KwaZulu-Natal's Centre for Visual Art, where she taught for over thirty years. The exhibition included works from past and current lecturers and alumni and represented the creative legacy of the UKZN ceramic studios.



# The Friends of the Art Museum sponsored the travel expenses for staff of the Art Museum to visit the Grahamstown Festival on 10 July 2014.

Staff were thankful for the opportunity to visit the festival to update their knowledge on national and international Fine Art trends, to find out about new publications, photograph important exhibitions and network with artists and curators.



# The Friends of the Art Museum sponsored the travel expenses for schools to attend art workshops at the Art museum.

The schools were thankful for the opportunity to visit the Art Museum and to attend an art workshop. Upon their arrival each school was welcomed and given a brief introduction of the museum, its history and its role and they were then taken on a guided tour of the current exhibitions. This was followed by the practical art workshop.

The schools that attended the art workshops were:

- Thanduxolo Comprehensive Secondary School in Kwanobuhle 24 October 2014
- Phaphani Secondary School in Kwanobuhle attended on the 27 October 2014
- Ashton Gontshi Primary School in Kwanobuhle attended on the 5 November 2014





# **PIANO RECITAL**

The Friends arranged a Piano Recital as a fund-raising event on 24 April 2014 at Dr Levy's Penthouse. The piano recital was performed by Dr Erika Bothma.





#### **BE A FRIEND!**

The organization's core function is to support the Art Museum. By supporting the Art Museum through membership and donations you will help to buy artworks, develop learning programmes and improve exhibitions and services.

Members can assist with fund-raising, events and programmes, assist at Art Museum events and appreciate Eastern Cape visual art!

The "Friends" are always looking for new members to join.

#### Become a Friend as a:

- Corporate donor: A single outright donation of R5000.
- Patron Donor: A single outright donation of not less than R1500.
- Subscribing patrons: A subscription of R200 per annum for a period of not less than ten years.
- Life members: An individual making a single outright donation of R500.
- Friends: Annual subscription of R75 per person.
- Couples: Annual subscription of R100 per couple.
- Students: Annual subscription of R 20 per student.
- Junior members: Annual subscription of R 10 per junior member.

If you are not a Member, please contact us to join on Tel: 041 506 2000 Fax: 041 586 3234 Email: artmuseum@mandelametro.gov.za.

### **MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2015**

The Committee of the Friends of the Art Museum has decided not to increase the annual membership fees.

### Bank details to pay membership fees or if you wish to make a donation:

Account holder: Friends of the Art Museum

Bank: Nedbank

Account number: 9000 173 796

Account type: Savings Branch code: 198 765

Reference: Depositor's Name and surname

## **NELSON MANDELA METROPOLITAN ART MUSEUM**

## **Art Museum: Opening Hours**

Weekdays: 9h00-17h00 (closed Tuesday mornings)

The Art Museum will be closed weekends and public holidays until further notice. We

apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Entrance free.

### **Art Museum: Contact Details**

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