

Short History of Wallace House



The land on which Wallace House stands was originally owned by Walter B Hay who was known as Father of the District. After the home he built on the land was burned down, the land was sold and subdivided. Arthur Wallace bought portion 151 of that land in 1930.

Arthur Wallace was born in Mackay in 1876. After qualifying as a surveyor in 1901, he married Alice

Dimmock, whose father was the Mackay Mayor. From 1904 to 1930. Arthur was a member of the British Government Colonial service and spent many years in the Malay States. Their two daughters, Jean and Barbara, were born during that period. Wallace House was the family's retirement home, designed by R M Wilson.

It was considered to be an authentic example of a Californian and Federation style bungalow. Cooroy builder, Dick Cadell, built the house for £1,246. Alice is reputed to have paid for the furniture with her winnings from contract bridge tournaments in Malaya. The Wallace family moved in on June 17, 1931. Dick Cadell later added a boat house and jetty with a causeway to the house over the swamp for an extra £120.

Wallace House was designed to accommodate the colonial lifestyle the family had become used to before returning to Australia. There were servants' quarters at the back and wash basins in the bedrooms of the main house. There are stories of shark jaws being tied to balustrades, shelves of bottled snakes and a carpet of macadamia shells beneath the house. Electricity was connected to the house in 1947 but it was not until 1966, twelve years after Alice died, that town water was installed. Their widowed daughter Jean, whose husband and son had been killed in a boating accident in 1933, lived with Arthur until his death in 1974.

In 1978 the house was sold but it was not until 1980 that the family finally moved out. Between 1980 and 1992, Wallace House became a rental property and had a variety of tenants. There are rumours that the house was even a casino and later a brothel. In 1992 Noosa Council bought Wallace House as a future home for the arts and crafts of Noosa Shire. The house was officially opened on June 8 1993 with a membership of 150.

Since then the membership has increased to over 400. Despite being damaged by fire in 1999 which took nearly two years to repair, Wallace House has had many successful years of hosting workshops, courses and seminars in a wide variety of arts and crafts.

Activity Groups

We have a wide range of art & craft activity groups regularly meeting at Wallace House. Most groups require little or no experience to join. Below is a brief description of each group - check out our website for updates: <https://noosaartsandcrafts.org.au>. There is a \$2 activity fee each time a group meeting is attended.

<p>Acrylics Painting</p>	<p>Perfect for beginners and intermediate painters. Meet: Saturday, 9.00 am to noon Contact: Kay - nkayfrost@gmail.com - 0447 043 464</p>
<p>Beading Jewellery and more</p>	<p>New members are welcome to join in and learn the art of beading. Meet: 1st and 3rd Thursday - 1 pm to 4 pm Contact: Brenda - quiltfeet@yahoo.com.au - 0419 680 870</p>
<p>Boomerang Bags Say NO to plastic bags</p>	<p>New members are always welcome - sewers and non-sewers. Meet: Mondays & Wednesday, 9.00 am to noon. Contact: Sandra - achesons@gmx.com - 0466 449 946</p>
<p>Book & Papermaking Books, Boxes & Albums</p>	<p>New members are always welcome and no experience is necessary. Meet : 2nd & 4th Monday - 9 am to noon. Contact: Mary - maryparle101@hotmail.com - 0417 136 954</p>
<p>Botanical Art Drawing & painting</p>	<p>New members are always welcome - no experience is necessary. Meet: Monday, 1 pm to 4 pm Contact: Gabi - gabidick@gmail.com - 0422 225 965</p>
<p>Ceramics Hand-building & wheel-throwing</p>	<p>Thursdays and Fridays for newcomers to join in. Meet: Monday to Saturday, 9 am to 4 pm. Contact: Vicki - vickib-52@hotmail.com - 0413 915 410 or Dave - davegilbertartist@gmail.com - 0403 844 704</p>
<p>Charity Quilts Supporting worthy causes.</p>	<p>Experienced Quilting group enjoys creating quilts for charity purposes. An ideal way to work with Meet: 1st Tuesday, 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm. Contact: Irene - Irene.Baker-Finch@hotmail.com - 0411 780 159</p>
<p>Creative Artists 2D art using all mediums</p>	<p>New members are always welcome - no experience necessary. Meet: Thursday, 1 pm to 4 pm Contact: Gabi - gabidick@gmail.com - 0422 225 965</p>
<p>Creative Writing Noosa Writers - short stories</p>	<p>Some writing experience is preferable. Meet: Fortnightly - Monday, 9.30 am to 12.30 pm Contact: Sheila - sheila.r.mason@gmail.com - 07 5440 5501</p>
<p>Creative Writing Novels</p>	<p>Some writing experience is preferable. Meet: Fortnightly Monday, 9.30 am to 12.30 pm Contact: Kerri - kezmac255@gmail.com - 07 5447 1271</p>

<p>Crochet Rugs, throws , scarves and more</p>	<p>New members are always welcome - no experience necessary. Meet: Fridays, 9 am to 12 noon Contact: Janelle - janelleturley@bigpond.com - 07 5474 0784</p>
<p>Embroidery Clothing, homewares and artwork.</p>	<p>New members always welcome, no experience necessary. Meet: 1st and 3rd Friday- 9.30 am to 1 pm Contact: Helga - bensoncooroy@bigpond.com - 07 5447 9288</p>
<p>Life Drawing Drawing & painting live models.</p>	<p>Spaces are limited and there is an extra fee for models. Meet: 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 9.00 am to noon. Contact: Bob - wmandbm@bigpond.com - 07 5449 1389</p>
<p>Mixed Media – No Rules</p>	<p>A great group to join to learn new techniques. Meet: 2nd & 4th Wednesday - 9.30 am to noon Contact: Sally - sally-heron@outlook.com - 0422 601 012.</p>
<p>Mixed Media – Playtime Using all art mediums - beads to stitching.</p>	<p>A great group to join to learn new techniques. Meet: 1st & 3rd Thursday - 9.30 am to noon Contact: Sally - sally-heron@outlook.com - 0422 601 012.</p>
<p>Mosaics For decoration.</p>	<p>New members are always welcome. Meet: Tuesday - 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm Contact: Margaret - tony.porritt@bigpond.com - 07 5442 7403</p>
<p>Oils & Acrylics Painting</p>	<p>New members are always welcome. Meet: Thursday, 9 am to noon Contact: Robert - ostmanpark@yahoo.com.au - 07 5440 5859</p>
<p>Porcelain Art Painting of porcelain pieces</p>	<p>New members are always welcome. Tutored group. Meet: Tuesday, 9 am to noon Contact: Narelle - heres@iprimus.com.au - 07 5449 1171</p>
<p>Press Gang All types of print techniques.</p>	<p>New members are always welcome. Meet: Wednesday as scheduled, 9 am to 3 pm Contact: Sue - suephillips40@bigpond - 0418 711 201</p>
<p>Quilting All types of quilting and patchwork</p>	<p>New members are always welcome - no experience needed. Meet: Tuesdays, 9.00 am - 1.00 pm or Thursdays, 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm. Contact: Tuesday group - Cathy 0405330813 Thursday group - Joy - 07 5447 2656</p>
<p>Scrapbooking Albums, cards & memories.</p>	<p>New members are always welcome. Meet: Thursday, 1 pm to 4 pm Contact: Elaine - cliffandelaine@icloud.com - 0439 183 702</p>

<p>Smocking Dresses, skirts and more</p>	<p>New members are always welcome. Meet: Wednesday, 9 am to noon Contact: Val - valtaylor01@gmail.com - 07 5447 7621</p>
<p>Spinning, Knitting & Weaving Using natural fibres</p>	<p>New members always welcome Meet: Thursday, 9 am to noon Contact: Sylvia Langtree - 07 5474 4256</p>
<p>Watercolour - Advanced Painting</p>	<p>This group is for experienced watercolourists. Meet: Wednesday, 1 pm to 4 pm Contact: Di - di.beerling@gmail.com - 0407 583 157.</p>
<p>Watercolour - Intermediate Painting</p>	<p>New members always welcome. Meet: Monday, 1 pm to 4 pm Contact: Margaret - margaret.jane.moon@gmail.com - 07 5485 3809.</p>

EVENTS FOR 2018

Artastic Sale - Jan 13 & 14.

AGM.

February 12 @ 10am.

**Open House Demonstrations & Wearable Arts and Holly Simpson's Watercolour Retrospective.
March 17-18.**

Autumn Exhibition – May 12 - 19.

Featuring - Printers ,Pastels, Spinners ,Weavers & Knitters, Beaders.
May 12-19.

Winter Exhibition – July 6 - 13.

Featuring - Creative & Botanical artists, Quilters, Ceramics, Scrapbookers & Boomerang Bags.

Noosa Open Studio Hub

August 1-27.

Oils & Acrylics & Life Art Exhibition- Sept 14 - 23

Spring Exhibition – Oct 13 - 21.

Featuring - Watercolour, Acrylics, Embroidery, Smocking, Mixed Media, Mosaics & Porcelain artists.

Christmas Sale – Nov 23 – Dec 2

Important Information

Welcome to Noosa Arts & Crafts Association, a community organisation established for adult members to share their love and knowledge of arts and crafts. We are a not-for-profit organisation and membership is open to local residents and to anyone visiting the region for an extended period. All members are encouraged to volunteer in our Gift Shop, arranging events, co-ordinating Activity Groups, becoming a member of our Management Committee or group leader. If any members have special skills e.g. IT, grant writing, marketing etc. please let us know. We hope you enjoy a friendly and creative time within our community.

OFFICE

Our Office Co-ordinator is in the office on weekdays from 9.00 am to 2.00 pm. This is the place to go for any membership payments, workshop bookings and general information on groups.

ACTIVITY GROUPS

We have more than 24 arts and crafts groups meeting on a regular basis to create together, and share skills and knowledge with each other. There is a brief description and contact details for each of these groups in the following pages. To join, simply make contact with the group leader who is also the person to whom you can address any concerns or queries throughout the year. Alternatively, you can contact a member of the Management Committee – their contact details are available through the office. We always welcome new ideas and initiatives.

MEMBERSHIP & ACTIVITY FEES

Your annual membership fee entitles you to attend any activity group within Noosa Arts & Crafts Association. This membership fee is renewable annually at the end of June.

An activity fee of \$2 is payable each time you attend an activity group meeting. All fees are an essential part of our funding as, although Wallace House is owned by Noosa Council, Noosa Arts & Crafts is not-for-profit organisation and is responsible for all the costs of running and maintaining the premises. Some groups have additional fees for materials, models etc.

WORKSHOPS

Workshops are one of our main sources of revenue. We select experienced tutors and teachers to run workshops and tutorials throughout the year. These not only attract new members but are also a source of development for our members. We encourage learning and sharing of new skills in all areas of art and craft.

UPKEEP OF THE HOUSE

All members are asked to clean up after themselves. Please wash up all crockery and cutlery and replace them in the cupboards and drawers. Please leave the sinks clean and wash paint brushes in the paint sink provided. Please leave all tables clean and wipe off any excess paint /ink from the protective plastic sheets before returning them to storage cupboards.

GIFT SHOP AND GALLERIES

Our gift shop and galleries are open weekdays (9am to noon) and all members can display items for sale. These items must be handcrafted by members. Members who exhibit their work at Wallace House are requested to complete at least two sessions on the Gift Shop desk each year. Commission is paid to Noosa Arts & Crafts on all sales from the gift shop, online and any work displayed throughout the house - 15% for items below \$200 and 20% for items over \$200.

ONLINE SHOP

We have an online shop as part of our website. At present there paintings, quilts and books available for purchase. All members are invited to sell their work online and the same commissions apply. Visit <https://noosaartsandcrafts.org.au/arts-crafts-online/>. Please contact - Jan - wdbentley@me.com - 0412234412 - for more details.

HEALTH & SAFETY IN THE HOUSE

Every member is required to sign in and out when they come into the House for an activity group or for a workshop. The register is kept on the desk by the front door. This register is used in case of an insurance claim or in case a fire evacuation is required when knowing who is in the house is essential. Our Office Co-Ordinator is the OH & S warden when Committee Members are out of the House. There are booklets around the House explaining rules and regulations of the Association as well as evacuation diagrams and fire extinguishers at strategic points around the House. Please familiarise yourself with this information.

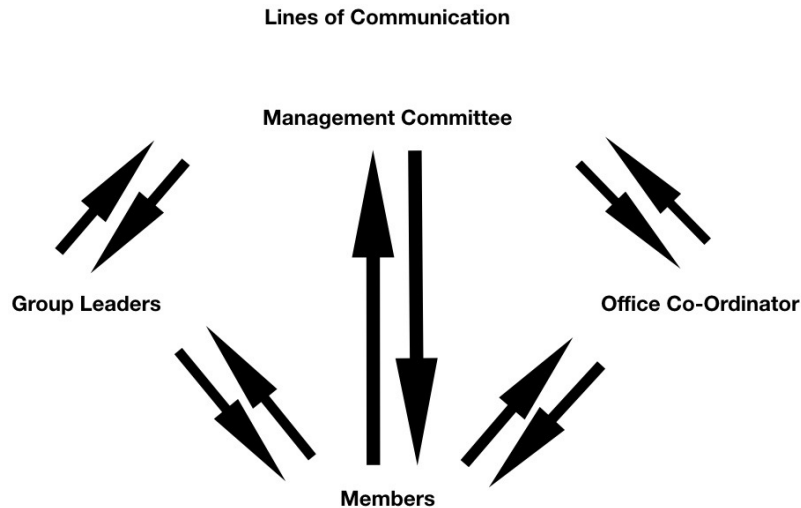
The Constitution of the Association is available for all members to read – please ask in the office to borrow a copy.

DONATIONS

Noosa Shire Arts & Crafts Association Inc. is now registered as a cultural organisation and is able to offer tax concessions for all donations over \$2. As a not-for-profit organisation, we are always in need of funds to maintain and improve the facilities of Wallace House. If you would like to donate - please go <https://noosaartsandcrafts.org.au/donations/> for all the details.

Mission Statement

Noosa Shire Arts and Crafts Association Inc. values all its members and offers friendship, learning, sharing of ideas, mutual co-operation, inspiration, collaboration - all in a safe and creative environment.



COMMUNICATIONS

Communication with members is mainly verbally by group leaders, office emails and monthly newsletters. All members will receive a monthly newsletter via email with information about current and upcoming events - printed copies are also available. Our website contains all the up-to-date information regarding upcoming workshops and current activity groups. See also our Facebook and Instagram pages for general news around the House and creative events in the region. <https://noosaartsandcrafts.org.au/>

AGM

The AGM is held annually in February to review the past year and elect a new committee for the coming year. The committee members are as follows:

- President
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- 5 general committee members

Each member of the committee is responsible for one or more of the following - Exhibitions, Social Media, Gift Shop, Workshops, House, Membership, Marketing, Website and monthly newsletter. These roles are in addition to the administration and management of the Association.

All financial members are invited to attend the AGM and exercise their vote. The Constitution of the Association is available from the office for all members to read.

Workshops

Pure Pastels - with Carolyn Sheather

Friday 19/1/2018 for 4 weeks (excl 26/1) - 9 am - 12 noon
Members \$100/Non-members \$127

Learn to Crochet - with Janelle Turley

Saturday 20/1/2018 for 4 weeks - 9.30 am - 11.30 am
Members \$45/Non-members \$50

Watercolour for Beginners - with Dianne Kelly

Saturday 10/2/2018 - 9 am - 12.30 pm
Members \$25/Non-members \$30

The Art of Watering Colour - with Dianne Kelly

Sunday 11/2/2018 - 9 am - 12.30 pm
Members \$25

Colour Confidence - with Carolyn Sheather

Learn how to have fun and understand colour

Saturday 24/2/2018 - 9 am - 3.30 pm
Members \$75/Non-members \$90 (BYO lunch)

Watercolour Passion - with Gay Fletcher

Creative watercolour with a touch of mixed media - all levels.

Sat 4/8/2018 & Sun 25/8/2018 - 9.30 am - 4.30 pm
Cost: Members \$150/Non-members \$190 (BYO lunch)

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