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Please remember to take home all your items from the shop and plinths before the Christmas closure. The House closes at noon on December 12 and reopens on January 5 at 8.30am, so please collect all your items during the week of December 8.

The office will be looked after by the MC members Monday to Wednesday for the next two weeks - Louise will be in as usual on Thursdays and Fridays.



Thank you, Jan!

Jan was President of NSACA from 2014-2016 and again from 2023 to the present day. She has been a mainstay of our Association since 2002.

As a new member, she began by volunteering in the office, writing the newsletter and starting up the Memoir and Creative Writing groups, which she still leads. She also co-tutors with Ian Laver in the Haiku Study Group and attends the Botanical Art group.

In the early days, she instigated the activity fees, set up MYOB, MS Office and some of the early Excel systems for the shop, workshops and database. She put us on the path of social media and reached out to local newsgroups and forums, to keep Wallace House on the map. She has looked after the website since 2004 and the Association's archives to the present day.

I'm happy to say that Jan has kindly offered to be my mentor and continue with the shop sales, social media, and the website until I learn the ropes.

So, on behalf of all of us, I would like to say thank you, Jan, for your incredible work and continuing contributions to the success of NSACA.

Tracy Preston

Hello Members of Noosa Arts and Crafts,

From the moment I walked into Wallace House I knew that it was a unique and special place. It offers not only a space to pursue our artistic endeavours, whatever they may be, but is a place where like-minded people can come together and share their love of creativity, whether that be through painting, drawings, ceramics, writing, sewing, knitting, quilting, beading, bookmaking ... the list just goes on and on.

Wallace House is also a place that allows us to explore new perspectives in our work, while also supporting and nurturing those that are keeping the older crafts alive. I haven't before found a place like ours that has such a deep respect for those skills that are unfortunately being lost to mass production, and that provides a friendly space for these incredibly talented women to come together. Women who will hopefully have an opportunity to pass on their lifetime of knowledge to the younger generation.

Noosa Arts and Crafts is also a place we can walk into with a very good chance we will be greeted with a smile and be surrounded by people who are always happy to give a helping hand. It's a place where you can give as much or as little of your time as you are able to, and most importantly, it is somewhere where you can find companionship and form long-lasting friendships.

My first priority as your new president is to keep Wallace House, well, just as Wallace House! That unique and special place that I walked into 4 years ago and embraced.

There are a few things the committee will be looking into, such as cost effective ways to better help manage payments of our increasing number of workshops and memberships, and any other minor IT updates that will help the office staff do their job. The committee is always open to suggestions and ideas of how to help Wallace House run more smoothly, and of course any fundraising suggestions are always appreciated.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who give so much of their time to keep this unique place running like clockwork. We wouldn't be able to be Wallace House without you.

I wish you all a very merry Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Tracy Preston

New 2026 committee members are:

President - Tracy Preston

Vice-President - Kim Williamson

Treasurer - Sandra Kelly

Secretary - Amy Parker

General members: Jenny Blyth, Dave Gilbert, Eula Saad, Margo Miranda, Irene Baker-Finch and Lynne Saunders



Cheerio to former President Jan, hello to new President Tracy and congratulations to Dave Gilbert who was awarded a Life Membership for services rendered during his many years as a member.

Last Chance before the holidays - a few copies left!

Our Botanical Artists have put together a really beautiful calendar. Each month has a different medicinal plant and its uses.

Please support this fundraiser - ideal for Christmas presents too.
Only \$15 each





ART JOURNALING & MIXED MEDIA COLLAGE

Friday afternoons - 1pm to 4pm
16 January 2026

A journal is a space to explore ideas and express yourself in any medium.

Unlike traditional art forms focused on a final product or sales, art journaling emphasizes the creative process and experimentation, allowing for playful exploration without the pressure of perfection. It can include drawing, writing, painting, collage or any mixed media.

If you are interested in finding out more and would like to join this group please contact Jan on wdbentley@me.com

Containers for Change

Thank you for your support with this venture - the bins are filling regularly - it's made around \$130 (1,300 items!) so far. Please keep the bottles and containers for us over the Christmas period - they will give the January coffers a boost!

The bins are labelled and located inside the Ceramic Studio under the table on the car park side. Please support this fundraiser - every little helps as we endeavour to cover our increasing expenses each year.

**If you prefer to take the bottles yourself to 26 Action Street, Noosaville
our A/C no: C11576676**

[2026 Workshop Information and Booking](#)

NSACA Management Committee

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