

One thing leads to another

Our much loved lead artist at Olive Arts Collective, Phil Kreveld told us about an opportunity to work with an artist Wilma Tabacco. BUC Arts and Olive Arts Collective expressed interest. Phil negotiated with Wilma and us over a few weeks enabling this wonderful opportunity to come to fruition.

On **Mondays 19 and 26th of June** BUC Arts and Olive Arts Collective were very fortunate and excited to host "One thing leads to another" offered by renowned artist Wilma Tabacco.

In Session 1 Wilma talked about Colour and what happens when mixing certain colours. Everyone was focused on Wilma.

Artists were given red, yellow, blue and white paints to mix new colours. They were not able to use the primary colours as they were. Then they were given a beautiful piece of watercolour paper which they ruled up into 5 cm or larger squares. Artists chose a season to base their colour palette on and then began mixing colours. Then of course they had to paint each square and think about placement of their colours. Sounds simple but artists were very relieved on finishing their last square. The results were amazing.

In Session 2 Wilma instructed artists to do an abstract painting using the colours they had mixed during the previous session. It

was very interesting to see what our artists created and some of them were creating work which was very different to their previous artwork.

Wilma was an amazing presenter and interacted with all the artists in the studio. Everyone was very focused and told us they learnt a lot and really enjoyed being challenged.

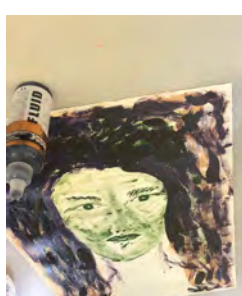
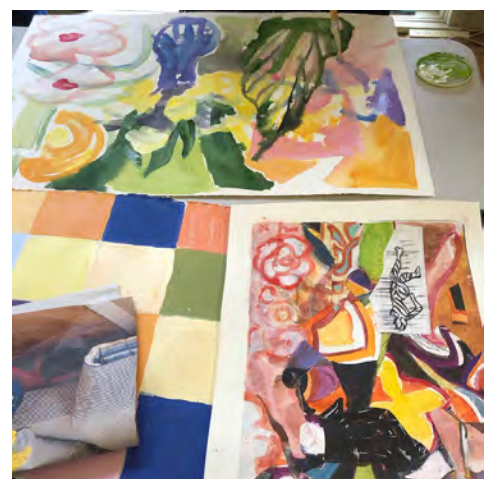
In a couple of weeks we are hoping to invite Wilma back for a pop up exhibition of our artists work and would love members of the congregation to come along so keep an eye out in the Olive Press for details.

Wilma obviously has a very strong sense of community and enjoyed hearing about many of the activities that happen at BUC. We were chatting about Olive Pesto and KOGO which she was very interested in as she is an avid crocheter. On Monday Wilma gave us a beautiful beanie she was donating and said she will probably drop another one off sometime.

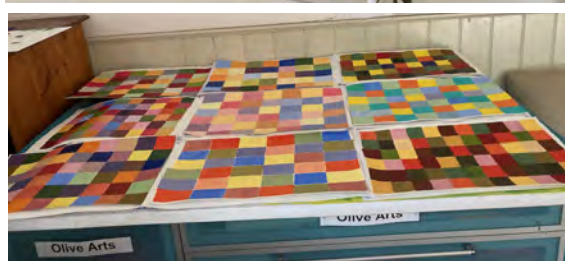
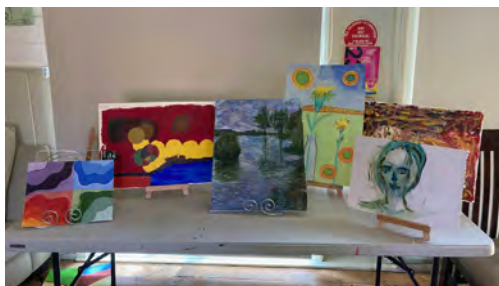
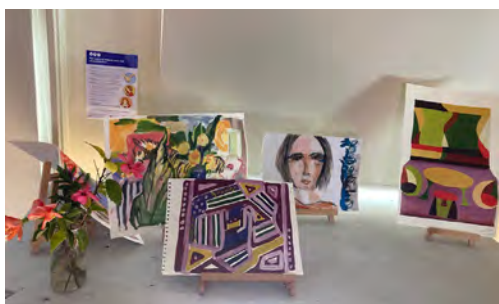
An extraordinary and generous woman who we are very fortunate to have had engage with our community.

And thank you to Annie Quail for coordinating our lunches.

Bev Evans and Leanne Salau, July 2023 Olive Branch



Pop-up Art Show



On **Wednesday 19th July** the Olive Arts Collective hosted a Pop Up Exhibition of artists work inspired by the recent workshops with artist Wilma Tabacco.

Wilma returned and was impressed with the quality and variety of works created by our artists. Artists were challenged to create a piece of work using only the colours that they mixed in the first workshop. Wilma critiqued the works and also answered questions from the artists and visitors in the room. There were portraits, abstracts and still life. Hopefully some of these works will be part of the BUC Living Colour Exhibition in October. Wilma, the artists and visitors mingled over morning tea viewing and discussing the works further. A huge THANKYOU to Wilma for being so generous with the time and inspiration she has given to our artists.

Bev Evans and Leanne Salau
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