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"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."
Winston Churchill

The April newsletter brings you information about the **Mitchell School of Art Winter School** held in **Bathurst** each year. If you'd like to get away from the city (if you live there!), have some fun and meet new like minded people who will inspire your art practice then have a look at more than 30 workshops on offer.

We also give you a glimpse inside **Catherine Hale's brand new studio**. Catherine is an artist living in Bathurst who needed somewhere to work. Her back yard studio provides the opportunity to be at home with her family and also be inspired!

May is also the month that **Dookie Attack in Victoria** is running with another 10 workshops on offer! Don't forget to visit the [events calendar](#) for many many more workshops and events.

Stephanie and I are heading for Italy for a 5 week holiday so during May you will receive the Events Summary but no newsletter. We are sure to make up for that on our return with lots of inspiring ideas for art practice and also for art holidays!

Arrivederci!

Teresa

Mitchell School of Arts Winter School



If you'd like to get away from the city, have some fun, meet new people and develop your art, the Mitchell School of Arts at Bathurst is what you are looking for.

Held biannually in Bathurst, the Mitchell School of Arts is an incredibly valuable resource for the arts community across Australia. Organised by **The Art Scene** and set in the idyllic grounds of the **Charles Sturt University in Bathurst**, it boasts a choice of over **30 different workshops with a wide cast of tutors**.

The styles taught range from both the traditional to contemporary in oils, acrylics, watercolour, pastels, mixed media, printmaking, drawing and much more! With classes suitable for beginners, intermediate and advanced artists, there is sure to be something that you'll love!

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What's in a Studio?

I've just built a studio in my backyard. Painting for several years, I have been working out of an old mill in the historic working precinct of Bathurst. I was paying \$20 a week. While the warehouse space was beautiful, it was also freezing and away from home; I was unable to have visitors, and besides, the owner wanted it back for his own business.



I looked at my options: \$50-\$100 a week for a mediocre room, or as my children are too young to be kicked out of their bedrooms: build my own. I live on a regular sized town block so space was limited. The chickens had to be relocated (they had the best spot on the block with views to the hills, plus good light), and an area of the vegetable garden sacrificed. A well built space would hold its value, so I enlisted two builder/carpenters and took out a small loan.

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Events Summary April, 2012 to May 2012

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