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It has been a busy month with exhibition launches, photo shoots, website designing and a new gallery opened.

The Murray Bridge Studio Gallery opened on Saturday Sept 7th with 13 members and after an article in the local paper we gained a few more members. So by the opening on the 20th, we had 16 members, a web site and over 100 people on the night to share in the experience. I created the web site www.murraybridgestudiogallery.com through Vista Print which was very easy and looks great. After uploading a picture of an artist work which was an ink wash drawing of a nude, the web host froze the site due to "adult content". We had to remove all photos of nudes from the site and then we were unfrozen. Curious as to what the fuss was all about? then check out Murray Bridge Studio Gallery on Facebook to see the offending picture.

Dare to Differ opened on Sept 27th, there are some amazing Art Quilts on display including two of mine. You can see the making of my Cityscape quilt on my blog spopecreations.blogspot.com.au there is a picture below of the 3D quilt hanging in the gallery space. My favorite is Joy Harvey's "Household Prayer Mat" made from the denim, zips, labels and stitching of jeans.

The Murray Bridge Regional Gallery is having another Girls Night In this year on Wednesday October 16th at 6pm. I will have a make and take craft table with cup flower accessories to create, all you need are some gold coins to donate on the night.

The Murraylands Arts and Crafts Collective is having its exhibition "Home Away From Home" from October 25th to December 1st at the Murray Bridge Regional Gallery. I was going to make this awesome toilet seat sculpture, using two porcelain toilets that we had sitting around. First I planned to mosaic the surface, one to be a drinks holder you could put ice into and the other a pot planter. Then get my crafty Dad to build a pine slat seat spanning the two for an outdoor practical sculpture. Unfortunately both toilets have cracks around the bowl and I'm concerned if I add more weight to them they will break. So that idea has been shelved for now. Instead I am going to use a glass collage I made in a workshop of a farm scene, create a felted textile extension of the landscape and frame it. see page 2.

My friend David Leane, used my Evil Queen costume in a photo shoot with a local model, Jess. She wore dark make up and huge eyelashes, it looks awesome. If you want to see more of the shoot go to his Facebook page, photography by david. He does shoot semi nudes too so be warned!

David and I are now working towards a SALA exhibition with creative wearable art textiles by me and photos of the art being worn by models, shot by him.

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Events

October 13th, Sunday. Dare to Differ exhibition floor talk 2pm “what is an Art Quilt?” View and discuss the quilts on show and learn from Suzanne Gummow what makes a good art quilt. FREE

October 16th, Girls Night In at Murray Bridge Regional Gallery. from 6pm, sixth st murray bridge.

Workshops

November 22nd “Portraiture Painting with Cat Leonard” 10am - 3pm \$70 (\$55 concession) If you would like to attend the same workshop where I painted my childhood self portrait that I talked about a couple of months ago then this is it! At the Murray Bridge Gallery.

BOOKINGS 08 8539 1420 www.murraybridgegallery.com.au the promo picture shows my classes art works.

Exhibitions

27 September – 20 October “Dare to Differ” Contemporary Art quilts presented by the Quilters’ Guild of S.A. Gallery M, Marion Cultural Centre, 287 Diagonal Road, Oaklands Park. www.gallerym.net.au
p: 08 8377 2904. Open Monday to Friday 10am - 4pm; Saturday 10am - 4pm; Sunday 1 - 4pm Closed Public Holidays.

25th October - December 1st “Home Away From Home” by Murraylands Arts and Crafts Collective in the Murray Bridge Regional Gallery. Open TUES to SAT 10am to 4pm, Sat 11am to 4pm, Sun 1-4 Closed Mondays & public holidays. Opening night Friday 25th www.murraybridgegallery.com.au

Month of November 2013. I will be “Flavour of the Month” at the Murray Bridge Regional Gallery in the shop. I will have my embellished paper cast leaves series on display in the window.



Jess as the Evil Queen, Opening night at Murray Bridge Studio Gallery
Dare to Differ invite and right the glass landscape tile for my textile collage.



My “Cityscape” quilt at Gallery M, above and below photographed with the flash on.

