

Newsletter February 2025

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After two hours of raking on the beach of Pohara

Spotlight of the Month

This month was all about fine-tuning my event calendar. Some previously scheduled activities have made way for new classes and workshops, ensuring a fresh and exciting lineup.

I had the pleasure of hosting two Land Art events in Golden Bay as part of the Summer Arts Festival. One involved a couple of hours of beach raking—see the picture above—while the other was a hands-on workshop where participants created stunning natural artworks using the materials around them. We were incredibly lucky with the weather, and the results were truly inspiring.

Stained Glass has been a standout this month, with workshops scheduled through mid-June. Interest has been high—many already have bookings, and two have filled up completely in no time!



Artwork from Land Art workshop in Golden Bay

CREATIVE UPDATES & INSPIRATION FOR THE COMING MONTHS

Welcome to the February edition of my newsletter! I'm excited to share what's been happening in my creative world and give you a sneak peek of what's coming up. Let's dive in!

Upcoming Events and Workshops

MARCH 2025

Stained Glass: 9th March + 21st March

This is a beginner-friendly [stained glass workshop](#) where participants will create a stunning ornament featuring a native bird, seascape, landscape, geometric pattern, plant or flower.

Additional dates are available through **mid-June**, including one workshop in **Golden Bay**.

Before the workshop, participants will be guided in selecting a design they love, ensuring a smooth creative process and a piece they'll truly cherish.

Stone Art and Sand Art Morning Workshops

Originally designed for **Nelson Women's Centre members**, these workshops are now open to non-members as well. Some spots have already been booked, but spaces are still available.

These relaxed, creative mornings are perfect for **slowing down, enjoying some me-time, and nurturing your wellbeing**.

[More information can be found here.](#)

In the Pipeline



Light and dark contrast

In May, a new 8-morning series of [Drawing for Beginners](#) will begin.

Each session introduces a new technique, allowing you to build on your progress. We'll start with basic shapes and shading, then move into textures, perspective, and composition.

By the end of the course, you'll have completed a variety of drawings and gained the skills to continue your artistic journey with confidence.

Abstraction Art Classes from July

This is a [5-morning Abstraction Class](#), where you'll dive deep into the world of abstraction, and explore creative techniques to move away from realism.

Colourfield painting art style



3-day GUIDED GETAWAY: Wander, Wonder, Create – A Land Art Expedition – for women only

*3-day Guided Land Art Trip to Golden Bay to
create Land, Sand & Stone art in 3 different
locations.*

*Friday 13 – Sunday 15 June 2025, departure 12
June late afternoon*

The idea is to have lots of fun, to create art, to visit
some local artists, and to enjoy nature in Golden
Bay in the midst of Winter. Think affordable
accommodation, travel by cars and cooking our
own meals.

Expressions of Interest sought for this wonderful
adventure. Together we'll then decide on the
accommodation and travel arrangements.

Cost: \$300 + affordable accommodation + travel
(cars) + food (home-cooked meals)

Does this sound like you? [Register your interest
through our contact form.](#)



Stained Glass is popular!



My upcoming Stained Glass workshops are striking a
chord, and I couldn't be more thrilled! The first one
is happening next week, and from tomorrow
onwards, I'll be working with each participant
individually to finalise their personalised design—
making sure it's beginner-friendly and achievable in
a day. Plus, it's a great way to build some
anticipation!

If you have any questions, ideas, workshop requests
or just want to say hi, feel free to reply to this
email—I'd love to hear from you.

Until next time, keep creating and stay inspired!

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