

CHCAG have great pleasure in welcoming back Award-Winning Artist

Desley Stewart

Teaching a

WEEKEND PASTEL TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP

SATURDAY 24th OCTOBER 2026 - SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 2026



Desley Stewart Artist bio

As a representational artist working mainly in pastel, I'm drawn to the complexity of nature and enjoy finding beauty in the everyday.

My creative process involves collecting my own reference material, freehand sketching my subject onto a pastel surface, and using soft pastel and pastel pencils to build up layers. I've surrendered to my passion for detail, and my artwork can take many hours to complete.

I'm an Exhibiting Member of the Royal Art Society of NSW and have completed training and workshops with Liz Haywood Sullivan (Pastel Society of America, Master Pastelist), Richard McKinley (President, International Association of Pastel Societies), Ian Roberts (California Art Club) and Lyn Diefenbach (Master Pastelist, Pastel Society of Australia).

YOU WILL LEARN TWO different pastel application techniques and see which one is right for you.

Day 1: Painterly approach using alcohol underpainting

We'll create a sunrise using the underpainting technique, producing a more painterly style of work. In this workshop you will discover my five-stage painting process:

Day 2: Detailed approach with Pastels and Pastel pencils

We'll start creating a pet portrait or floral close-up. This is a slower, more detailed approach and we may not finish a piece in one day, but you'll have an understanding of what you need to keep going in your studio



WHEN :- Saturday 24th October and Sunday 25th October 2026 **TIME: - 9.30am – 3.30pm**

WHERE:- Coffs Harbour Creative Arts Group Showground Art Gallery and Studios 123 Pacific Highway Coffs Harbour NSW

COST :- \$275.00 CHCAG members \$295,00 non -members Limited student numbers

Suitable for all ages 16yrs and above

WORKSHOP Ref :- DSPW4

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN Enrolments close Friday 9th October 2026 Bookings can be made by direct deposit to the Bank Account or in person at the Showground Art Gallery . Bank Details are Westpac Banking Corporation, Account Name; Coffs Harbour Creative Arts Group BSB 032576 Account Number 541295 Once payment has been made, please email chcagworkshops@gmail.com with details of the transaction. Your email will be responded to with confirmation of payment and requirements for the workshop. Enquiries: Sue 0428 491 862 or

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