



## North and South in our Backyard

Bev Kotkin-Smith | Jenny Davis | Sandy Burdon

**30 April – 29 May 2022**

**Community Gallery**

**United by a love of painting, three local artists present work that takes inspiration from the natural environment.**

**Bev Kotkin-Smith** has painted in a variety of media but currently favours watercolour for its crisp look. Bev attended the New Zealand Animation School where she learned life drawing and the process of animation. Although these techniques have now been replaced by modern technology, Bev credits this training for greatly improving her art practice.

As a child, Bev had a vivid imagination and was fascinated with making things. She was lucky enough to have her artistic talent nurtured by several innovative teachers and at 11 years old Bev won the Federation of Rhodesia, N. Rhodesia and Nagaland Young minds Art competition.

**Jenny Davis** took up painting after retiring to Te Aroha in 2008. Inspired by her mother's watercolour paintings, Jenny started with watercolour. However, she had a desire to paint in oil and became a skilled in the medium under the tutelage of landscape artist Tony Roche. Jenny has also worked with pastel and acrylic, but watercolour and oil remain her preferred media.

As well as a painter, Jenny is a prolific photographer and many of her paintings depict places she has photographed. In both her photographs and paintings, Jenny strives to capture the essence of our country, whether it be the scenery, birdlife or flowers. Her aim is to create art that brings pleasure to other people.

**Sandy Burdon** is a mainly self-taught artist working in a variety of media including oil, acrylic, watercolour and pastel. Her work has been exhibited across the world in the UK, USA and Australia. Sandy's eight works in this exhibition are connected simply by her passion for painting what she loves, capturing Aotearoa's beauty and working with a range of media.

Originally from the UK, Sandy is now based in Te Aroha. She has taught at Young at Art Pukekohe and has also given adult art lessons, helping her students to achieve their dreams of selling their artwork.

1.	<b>Sandy Burdon</b>	Perfect Paua, 2022	Pastel	\$400
2.	<b>Sandy Burdon</b>	Blush, 2022	Acrylic	\$2,400
3.	<b>Sandy Burdon</b>	Wally the goat	Oil	NFS
4.	<b>Sandy Burdon</b>	Bright Eyes, 2022	Acrylic	\$2,400
5.	<b>Sandy Burdon</b>	Follow me, 2022	Ink	\$300
6.	<b>Sandy Burdon</b>	Peace, 2022	Pastel	\$300
7.	<b>Jenny Davis</b>	Autumn, Lake Tekapo	Oil	\$300
8.	<b>Jenny Davis</b>	Mt Cook and Lupins	Oil	\$750
9.	<b>Jenny Davis</b>	Blue Heron by Old Hide	Oil	\$600
10.	<b>Jenny Davis</b>	Overlooking Hahei	Oil	\$600
11.	<b>Jenny Davis</b>	Central Otago Oasis	Oil	\$300
12.	<b>Jenny Davis</b>	Ducks at Twilight	Oil	\$600
13.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	New Moon	Watercolour	\$250
14.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Hay Guys, 2021	Watercolour	\$250
15.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Billy Bantam, 2021	Watercolour	\$250
16.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Sparkling Tui, 2022	Watercolour	\$250
17.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Bossie Bantam	Watercolour	\$250
18.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Snowy, 2021	Watercolour	\$250
19.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Candyman, 2021	Watercolour	\$250
20.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Rexie, 2021	Watercolour	\$250
21.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Spider Lillies	Acrylic	\$10,000
22.	<b>Bev Kotkin-Smith</b>	Don't Go	Acrylic	\$5,900