

CHAIR'S MESSAGE

From ADFAS Melbourne Chair, Jane Sims

Following the traditional summer break, ADFAS Melbourne is re-energised and ready to embark on the much anticipated 2024 lecture series.

Thank you to those members who have renewed their membership subscription and a reminder to those who still intend to do so. Remember, if you wish to bring along a guest to any of our lectures, they will be most welcome.

You will note that the name tags for 2024 are now in the lanyard style which should prove easier to wear. They indicate your status as members and need to be worn as admission to each lecture.

Although it is just the beginning of our wonderful 2024 program, your committee are already working on the lecture series for 2025. The lectures offered promise to be as interesting and eclectic as in previous years and will not disappoint.

Arrangements have been made for both Jane Brentnall (Vice-Chair) and me to attend the Annual ADFAS National Conference in Sydney from March 19 – 21. As always, we will strive to further the interests of our members.

Gail Richards retired as Treasurer in 2023 and we welcome existing committee member Jaye Gregory to the role. Joy Lea joins us as a new committee member in 2024.

Finally, the start of the year is an opportune time to consider joining our excellent committee. Personally, I have found it a most rewarding experience. If you are interested in joining us, please contact me or any committee member - you would be warmly welcomed.

I know you will thoroughly enjoy the 2024 lecture series and I look forward seeing you at the Lido.

Best wishes, Jane Sims



Committee EOY luncheon December 2023

NEXT LECTURE

29 FEBRUARY

LIDO CINEMA 1, HAWTHORN



CLARE BLATHERWICK

Clare works as an independent consultant with a passion for the historical aspect of jewellery travelling the globe to source unique jewels for auction. With a career spanning over twenty years, Clare is highly knowledgeable and experienced in the world of jewellery. Most recently, she spent ten years as the Head of Jewellery for Bonhams, Scotland. This role involved sourcing pieces for auction to be sold throughout the world as well as in Scotland, advising sellers, collectors, and buyers. She has spent time in Asia, the USA, South Africa, and various European countries.

**“THE FASCINATION OF JEWELLERY; IMPORTANT WOMEN COLLECTORS”
THURSDAY 29 FEBRUARY 8.00pm**

We shall look at the collections of four very different women and their approaches to jewellery. How their backgrounds influenced their choices, and the messages jewellery can send in respect to status, wealth, and politics. Marjorie Merriweather Post, Evelyn Walsh McLean, Madelaine Albright, and Elizabeth Taylor are the subject of this richly illustrated lecture.

Book now with Eventbrite [ADFAS-Clare Blatherwick- The Fascination of Jewellery](#)



EXCITING HISTORIC HOME AND GARDEN TOUR ANNOUNCEMENT – WITH LUNCH OPTION

ADFAS MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO A PRIVATE TOUR OF
'RAVENSWOOD' EAGLEMONT

THURSDAY 11 APRIL @ 10.30AM-12.30PM

COST: \$25.00 PER HEAD we shall book out at 30

ADDRESS: 40-42 BEAUVIEW PARADE, IVANHOE

We have been fortunate to organise a tour of Margaret Young's fascinating home and garden at Ravenswood. This property is a distinctive example of the Italianate style and one of a small number of residences to be constructed in Ivanhoe, during the 19th century boom period.

Margaret will take the house tours and Allison Waddell will take the garden tours, allowing 15 in each group (total 30).

To facilitate both tours for each group, we have allowed 2 hours for this excursion.

Tour Bookings open 28 March, close 9 April with Try Booking
<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1184505>

Getting to Ravenswood – drive, or carpool. There are convenient bus or train options too.

WANT TO JOIN US FOR LUNCH AFTER OUR TOUR?

LUNCH OPTION

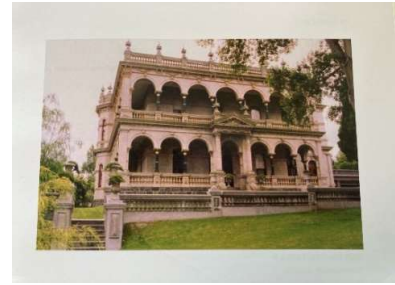
THE OLD ENGLAND HOTEL Est 1848, BISTRO
459 LWR HEIDELBERG ROAD, HEIDELBERG

We have a table reserved under ADFAS for those who would like to join us after the Tour, at The Old England Hotel.

We've organised for you to pay individually.

Booking details for **lunch only** are as follows...

RSVP: Allison Waddell by 8.4.24 allisonkw@bigpond.com



This tour is in support of our Young Arts Program

Old England Hotel
HEIDELBERG



LAUNCHING JUNE 13 LECTURE, SUPPORTING OUR YOUNG ARTS PROGRAM

FUNDRAISER RAFFLE 2024

3 TICKETS FOR \$10.00

"RAVENSWOOD" by J.F. O'Donnell – 2 copies

TWO DOUBLE GUEST PASSES
to Heide Gallery & Sculpture Park



HEIDE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

NEW GENERATION ADFAS MELBOURNE EXPERIENCE MADE EASY!

The New Generation ADFAS Melbourne initiative now offers younger people the opportunity to attend lectures of their choice as guests at a reduced cost of \$15 per lecture including supper. Simply make your reservation through the **Eventbrite link** and then make payment through the BSB account provided by Veronica Rickard or through EFTPOS at the LIDO on the night.

Please pass on details of this exciting opportunity to younger friends, associates and family.

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