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# TALK OF THE TOWN

## Festival art provides outstanding exhibits

Hello there: The Festival of the Valley is drawing to a close.

What a wonderful two weeks of activities and celebrations Lithgowites and visitors have enjoyed.

It was almost impossible to attend all the functions held in conjunction with the festival.

Congratulations to Malama Psarianos, president of the Festival and her hardworking committee for a job particularly well done.

**BANDAMORA ART**  
The Bandamora Art Gallery opening was held at 6.30 pm at the Bandamora Restaurant on Friday evening, November 20.

John Bayliss welcomed guests and introduced Snow Brewer one of the exhibiting artists and invited Sharon Daveson an artist and director of Artist for Life Group to open the exhibition.

Paintings by three artists were hung, Helen Baldwin, Sno Brewer and Reg Campbell.

Helen was born in Blayney and has been a

full time artist for many years working in watercolor.

She has studied with Douglas Dundas, Fred Liest and Ray Davies at the East Sydney Technical College.

Helen focuses on the outback and its people, capturing the subtle colors and tones of the landscape.

Her work is widely acclaimed and is included in collections of Regal and Vice-regal and many private collections in Australia and overseas.

Sno Brewer has been painting commission paintings involving the landscape, the horse, polo and portraits since 1980 and is currently a senior student at Julian Ashton Art School.

Reg Campbell, the district's most recognised artist was born in 1923.

He lives at Kirkconnell where he has his own gallery.

Reg is noted for his portraits and paintings of flowers.

He has painted many notables, both overseas and in Australia and has

won many prizes and awards for his portraits and landscapes.

The wonderful paintings exhibited by Reg ranged in price from \$750 to \$7,500.

The large self-portrait of Reg was the highlight of the exhibition.

Champagne and nibbles were served during the evening.

Thanks to Brian and Joan Tozier for an excellent exhibition.

### CITY COUNCIL EXHIBIT

From the Bandamora exhibition to the Council Chambers where a large crowd meandered viewing the Lithgow Arts Council exhibition of Lithgow City Council's art collection.

Forty-eight paintings were hung including oil, watercolor and pen and ink.

Of particular interest was the Margaret Klam collection of 20 paintings.

An exceptional community worker, Margaret's love of Lithgow was realised when on her death her art collection

and property was willed to the Council.

Noticed in the crowd Neville and Pam Kerrison, Shirley and George Redding, Mayoress Kathy Martin and Council staff members.

A delightful evening to which I was accompanied by Daph Bennett.



Sharon Daveson and Malama Psarianos

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