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An artistic journey of love

The Mannum Dock Museum of River History is proud to be hosting one of our regions most talented artist's retrospective exhibition of her life works, Sandie Kuehne's "Labour of Love" through to the month of November 2019 at the Arnold Gallery.

Sandie has lived in Mannum for 13 years and if you are familiar with her work you will be astounded at her artistic ability through so many varying mediums.

Watercolour is Sandie's main medium of choice but in her career she has worked with sculpting, silk painting, lino prints and leadlight glass. Since early childhood, Sandie has had a passion for art and could be found not far from paper and pencils indulging in her love of drawing rather than doing schoolwork as she should have been.

Working as an artist in residence at Keith Area School in 1997 and 2002, Sandie has certainly spread her artistic influence by assisting with so many projects from play set design to Rock Eisteddfod backdrops.

Still life or realistic drawing and painting are what Sandie enjoys most, even though she has dabbled in abstract works. One of the houses that Sandie said she was commissioned to paint "Was in the end not the reality of the actual house but what the owner envisioned for its future." The exhibition takes you on Sandie's journey of research and preliminary sketches leading to the final outstanding works.

Mannum is extremely fortunate to have Sandie's works on show with the majority of the pieces in the exhibition not for sale as Sandie has earmarked her creations for family members. Unfortunately, after macular hole operations in both eyes, Sandie is not working to the same capacity as she has, she said, "I am seventy and I don't feel as if I can produce my art as fast as I once did".

Sandie has expressed, "I am overwhelmed by the positive response from visitors to the exhibition". In her career as an artist, Sandie has hand designed many pieces from business brochures to greeting cards which are very popular and can be purchased at the Mannum Visitor Information Centre.

'Labour of Love' is on display at the Mannum Dock Museum, Arnold Gallery for the month of November.

Entry to the exhibition is free and is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 4pm on the weekend. For further information, please contact the Mannum Visitor Information Centre on 8569 1303.



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