

'PRINT MY WORLD'

Dear Parents,

McClelland Sculpture Park+Gallery is set in sixteen hectares of bush and landscaped gardens in Langwarrin. The Gallery presents an inspiring and engaging range of changing exhibitions and public programs. Central to McClelland's mission is our desire to promote public understanding and enjoyment of Australian, modern and contemporary sculpture. To engender debate about art in the natural environment and the ways in which they can be experienced.

The exhibition Serial explores the significance of the series in contemporary artistic practice. Whether as process, narrative, repetition, or correspondence, the series provides broad parameters for reading a work and its context. Beyond singular artistic statements, and established within a network of aesthetic and conceptual references, the meaning of a work becomes contingent and dynamic. Featuring new acquisitions and works from McClelland's permanent collection, this exhibition explores the fluid relations between part and whole, process and product.

Based on a range of prints in the exhibition *Serial* this GATEways program will introduce students to a wide variety of ways to experiment with printmaking practices. Part of the program will involve exploring the natural setting of the sculpture park both as an inspiration for their work and as a source of materials as we collect a range of natural matter to incorporate in the making of prints.

Students will be guided through exhibition *Serial* to see the diversity of works, discussing the images, what they invoke, the artists meaning behind the work and the variety of techniques that have been employed.

Responding to the exhibition *Serial*, students will be exploring a variety of printmaking techniques using both additive and reductive processes to create printing blocks. As well as exploring one off type prints such as mono-prints and Hapa-zome print production.

We will trial various techniques, applications and surfaces to apply printmaking to, responding to the varied ways artists in the *Serial* exhibition have created their works, varying colour and process to design a range of works from the same image.

Experimenting with collage and mixed media techniques students can manipulate their printed works and then explore composition, layering and materiality in their works.

This is an all weather event. Part of the program will run outside so please ensure students have appropriate clothing. Wet weather gear if rain is expected and gumboots if there has been any recent rain. Sunscreen and hat if the sun is out. Mosquitoes can be an irritation at the site. Please supply insect repellent for your child.

We will be exploring with paints and inks which will be potentially messy. Please ensure students are wearing clothes that can get stained or get paint on them. Students should bring a water bottle (can be refilled on site), lunch, morning and afternoon snacks.

I look forward to welcoming you to McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery, and to working with your child at the program.

Sincerely, Imogen Good

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REGISTRATION IS AT 9.20 EACH DAY. CHILDREN SHOULD BE COLLECTED AT 3:30PM.

THERE WILL BE AN 'EXHIBITION AND SHARING SESSION' AT 3:15PM FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS ON DAY 2.

At McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery, 390 McClelland Drive, Langwarrin

- Please note that parents are responsible for transport to and from the program. Check with your school co-ordinator to see if car- pooling with parents of other children is a possibility.
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- Mosquitoes can be an irritation at the site. Please supply insect repellent for your child.
- Bring nut-free snacks, lunch, and a refillable drink bottle – **as well as any specific requirements mentioned in program.**
- **Children should not bring any products containing nuts to the program. If students are anaphylactic and have had an EpiPen prescribed, an in date EpiPen must be brought to each session. We are unable to admit a child to the program who comes without this medication.**
- We regret that G.A.T.E.WAYS staff are unable to dispense medication except in an emergency.
- Once applications have been confirmed, there can be no full course refunds, nor will there be any refunds for missed sessions. Unfortunately, if any conflict with school commitments arises prior to or following enrolment, due to our busy schedules, G.A.T.E.WAYS is under no obligation to provide catch up materials or replacement sessions. You have agreed to this during the enrolment process.
- If you have any queries, please ring Denise Nicolson on 9894 2116

