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**150+ artists confirmed for September’s**

**Margaret River Region Open Studios**

More than 150 artists will welcome visitors to their studios from Busselton to Augusta this September (13 to 28th) for Margaret River Region Open Studios (MRROS).

This award-winning event is now in its 12th year and Chair Jim Davies said it is now one of the most popular events on WA’s arts calendar.

“MRROS is such a special event for both artist and visitor, giving everyone the chance to access art and creativity,” he said.

“Art lovers can explore the Margaret River Region via studios in some of our most picturesque and inspiring locations. Studios might be converted barns, sea containers, railway carriages or inside artist’s homes. The variety of art and experiences provided by our artists is phenomenal.

“Visitors can plan a trail of their favourite art mediums such as sculpture, painting, pottery, jewellery or glass; or by location or artistic style.

“Past MRROS visitors can return to their favourite artists, or discover new artistic talent – we have 30 artists new to the event this year and a rich array of creativity – from the traditional Japanese art of fish printing to encaustic beeswax art, basket weaving, tattoo, and sculptural installations.

“Creative and interactive workshops by our Open Studios artists held during the event are now available to book online.

“We’re also thrilled to confirm Private Properties Holiday Homes as the event’s Principal Partner for the second year.”

This year’s MRROS includes well-known and highly respected names including Leon Pericles, Rebecca Cool, Lesley Meaney, Christian Fletcher, Lauren Wilhelm, Caroline Juniper, Ian Dowling, Nathan Day and Gerry Reilly. Established, hobbyist, emerging and mid-career artists create an exciting array of opportunities to discover new talent or purchase work from an artist long admired.

In 2024 approximately 12,200 visitors made 110,000 studio visits over the 16 days, turning the region into an art playground.

MRROS recently won Silver at the Australian Tourism Awards for Festivals and Events.

Each of our artists are now profiled on the event website mrropenstudios.com.au so visitors can start planning their creative adventure. An A3 Event Guide will be available closer to the event from your nearest Jackson’s Drawing Supplies, regional visitor centres, participating Galleries, or view online.

Book accommodation now to avoid disappointment - visit event partner privateproperties.com.au or margaretriver.com.

MRROS is made possible thanks to Private Properties, Tourism Western Australia, Jacksons Drawing Supplies, Rio Tinto and more.

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