NN TO SEEING SEPT 2016 - NEWSLETTER # 6

drawing workshops

for kids 5 & up

Well, after a lovely (mild) Winter, this week we welcome SPRING!

We have been SUPER busy this Term with the **Public Schools Arts Festival**, running our wonderful **Afternoon Sketch Clubs** & (DRUM ROLL please) moving into our lovely little **D2S HUT** @ the Addison Road Community Centre, the weeks have just flown by! While we are a little behind schedule getting everything finalised & online we hope we've made it just in time for your holiday planning.

SPRING HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS will run:

4th - 8th Oct 2016

TUESDAY (because Monday is a Public Holiday YIPEE) to SATURDAY (YES SATURDAY)

We will be running a <u>VERY</u> special Workshop Saturday 8th October for Kids 8+, Card Collective, 10:00 - 4:00

In this Workshop D2S are delivering the conceptual Artist Trading Cards (ATCs) Art Project into the hands of D2S kids.



Kids 8+ will create their own series of Artist Trading Cards (ATCs). The theme will be 'Creating Characters' - animal, human or other - and kids are encouraged to bring in images or figures of their favourite characters to draw inspiration from. We are hoping to create some amazing cards and to get a little bit of trading action happening on the day. This will be our first KIDS ATC Workshop with plans to run many creating & swapping Workshops in the future. This may just be the start of a life long love of art collecting.

-(Here's a little ATCs background: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Artist_trading_cards)

SPRING HOLIDAY BOOKINGS OPEN

Timetable, Workshop Descriptions & Online Bookings:

www.drawntoseeing.com.au/Workshops

This Term we've moved our D2S AFTERNOON SKETCH CLUBS into our

very own little D2S Hut & everyone is loving our new creative space.

Bookings are already OPEN for our Term 4 Afternoon Sketch Clubs

Thursdays 3:30 - 5:30 & Saturdays 2:00 - 4:00

If you want to join us for 6 Weeks of practical & engaging drawing exploration & mark making (in our new creative space) book now:

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NEWS: 2016 Public Schools Arts Festival

On the evening of Friday the 29th of July Drawn to Seeing, in partnership with **ARCCO**, local teachers & **the Inner City Teachers Association**, opened the doors of the StirrUP Gallery for the **2016 Public Schools Arts Festival** (29 July - 5 August), a creative festival showcasing collaborative artworks, performances and short films by public school students.



Images: Jake Loyd Jones

Drawn to Seeing exhibited a series of collaborative drawings made by **D2S** kids during the Winter School Holidays. These beautiful 'maps' showing the history of the ARCC site were a visual cue (throughout the night & the course of the exhibition) prompting interesting discussions & story telling showcasing the importance of the ARCC site in Sydney's History. We have gifted these drawings to ARCCO where they will hang as a reminder of the rich history of this wonderful place as seen through the eyes of our **D2S** kids.

Spotlight On: Leaf Litter

The rustling of leaves was to be heard throughout the StirrUP Gallery each & every day of the Winter School Holidays as kids searched the D2S Leaf Litter for hidden treasures. They found feathers, pods, snail shells, cicada skins & even wombat bones . Inspired by Rachel Tonkin's beautiful book 'Leaf Litter' kids explored and created drawings of many of the amazing things that make the magical world above and below the undergrowth so fascinating. We will continue to use this inspirational book to explore and draw the natural world around us with future Workshops unearthing more of these everyday marvels!



LIKE MINDED FOLK/SITES/BOOKS/BLOGS:

FESTIVAL:



Public Schools Arts Festival

Join US in 2017: www.arcco.org.au museum@arcco.org.au (02) 9569 76 33 More on the Public Schools Arts Festival : www.arcco.org.au/programs/schools/schools-artsustainability/

BOOKS:

A Child Of Books

Sam Winston (typographical artist) & Oliver Jeffers (author illustrator) Walker Books

I am a Child of Books. I come from a world of stories, And upon my imagination, I float ... a tale about the rewards of reading and sharing stories. Due out 1 September 2016 this book takes the reader on a wonderful journey "across a sea of words" and through "astonishing typographical landscapes" (Walker Books). A beautiful way to be drawn into & through a story.



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the Whale

Ethan and Vita Murrow Big Picture Press

This stunning wordless book tells the story of two adventurers looking for the Great Spotted Whale - Giant Whale or Giant Hoax? With illustrations rich with detail the reader is transported into a beautifully rendered graphite seascape and a story of determination and new friendships. It's so rare to be allowed to indulge in a world without words but rich with storytelling. A fabulous example of the power of the pencil to transport us into this other world.

MAGAZINE:

Created by two professional artists, Perth based dancer Jo Pollitt and Sydney based visual artist Lilly Blue **BIG Kids Magazine** is an Australian contemporary arts publication, that features the work of children and artists side by side. You can support BIG by buying a copy & by sending in contributions to their pages. We always have a few copies available to purchase at the Gallery during our Holiday Workshops! <u>www.bigkidsmagazine.com</u>



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