

FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Members,

How are you faring out there? Have you started that huge tome you always meant to read? Cleared that chest hiding in the corner? Learnt to use visual social media software?

2020 has certainly brought massive change to all our lives so far, but ADFAS will live on through this and emerge on the other side with our usual wonderful program of lectures, outings and travel options.

The AADFAS executive is focusing on alternative methods of bringing information to you and are still hopeful of bringing lecturers to Australia before the end of this season, however at this stage lectures are suspended until further notice.

Your committee is extremely disappointed as we thought we had a particularly strong lecture series this year. Each month we will be sourcing an online virtual lecture to replace the physical one and send you a link in the newsletter to a lecture or something we feel is of interest, for you to enjoy at home.

Once we are through this awkward period we plan to create a celebration for our ADFAS Bowral family, meanwhile ... thank you so much for your support, stay safe and sane.

Sincerely, Kirstie

Just because you are isolated at home, does not mean you miss out on arty experiences.
Here are some fascinating links to try

Art 1: Medieval 500-1400 with Rick Steves

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHU5EPeZLkA#7s8d6f87>

Creating Cities of the Imagination – Lecture 3 Paris

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FzN33XUTUD8>

This lecture is presented by Travels Through Time, a cultural studies and tours company based in Melbourne. The series of lectures focuses on the art, history, language and literature of major centres of Europe including Italy, France, Holland and Spain. The lectures are filmed “live” and feature **Sylvia Sagona** (B.A. Hons, (Melb) Dip,Ed (Melb)Maitrise ès Lettres (Aix-en-Provence, France) Diplôme de Sociologie. Some of you will know she has lectured to us in Bowral twice. Sylvia’s knowledgeable placing of works of art in the political period of their time is fascinating.

Women on the Margins of History

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJ9agcgBWcM>

The way in which French women artists were viewed in the 19th century and a whole lot more interesting facts.

Virtual Tours of Art Galleries

<https://robbreport.com/lifestyle/news/14-virtual-museum-to-visit-during-social-distancing-and-quarantine-2905827/>

Thanks to the extensive Google Arts & Culture project, more than 2,500 spaces from around the world are accessible online, many offer virtual tours. This link above will show you 14 favourites.



We thought we would show you how our ADFAS Bowral Committee meeting was conducted this month.

We all “Zoomed” into a virtual meeting “room”

A steep learning curve for us all – yet we all managed to discuss a great deal.