



SECAN began as Casey Cardinia Contemporary Art Group in 2012, when like-minded artists met at the studio of Sue Jarvis to plan for a support network for local contemporary artists. We became incorporated as a not-for-profit association in 2013.

Our members include a diverse range of contemporary artists, professional, emerging and hobbyists who work in a wide range of styles and mediums. We are connected by our common view of the definition of contemporary art, that being:

*Contemporary art is art that is current, offering a fresh perspective and point of view, and often employing new techniques and new media. Current art means works by both emerging and also established artists. The currency of contemporary art challenges what was before and hints that there is more to come. It may challenge prevailing notions. It might also be seen as interesting, exciting, significant and fresh.*

Wording adapted from the webpage <http://australia.gov.au/about-australia/australian-story/contemporary-austn-art>

**Purposes:**

- To provide contemporary artists and those with an interest in contemporary art, residing or practising within the suburban and regional areas south east of Melbourne with opportunities for networking, exhibiting, mentoring, encouragement and support.
- To promote and seek support for contemporary art within government and non-government organisations and the wider community.

**Rules:** SECAN abides by the Model Rules for an Incorporated Association as set out by Consumer Affairs Victoria, <http://www.consumer.vic.gov.au>

**Membership offers:**

- Meeting with like-minded people in an inclusive and informal group through our monthly Gatherings at our home base, Gate 6, Acoonah Park, Cardinia Street, Berwick.
- Visits to the studios of SECAN members
- An annual, low cost group exhibition
- Studio & exhibition space available for hire at Gate 6
- Workshop space at very reasonable rates
- Participation in Open Studio and other community events
- Networking with other local art groups and artists
- Access to funding and support through local municipalities
- Ability to vote at elections or nominate for executive roles
- The opportunity to share your work with members for discussion and support
- Regular information regarding exhibition and prize opportunities
- Artist retreats
- Professional Development
- Potential to exhibit your work on SECAN's web page (currently being developed)
- Membership on closed-group Facebook page
- Community projects
- Discounts on the purchase of art materials at selected art supplies



**APPLICATION FORM for MEMBERSHIP or RENEWAL**

**Annual membership fee:** \$50.00 or \$20 for full-time students

**Electronic banking details:** BSB: 013 479. Acc. No:2872 03664 Acc. Name: **SECAN Inc** Reference: **Member's Name**

**First name:** .....

**Last name:** Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss .....

**Street address:** .....

**Town/suburb:** ..... **Postcode:** .....

**Phone: Home** ..... **Mobile:** .....

**Email:** .....

**Emergency Contact:**.....

**Note:** Unless you tell us otherwise, all correspondence, when practical will be sent to you via email and members' email addresses will be available to other members from such emails.

**Local Government/Council area you reside/work in:** .....

I wish to **apply** for membership of SECAN Inc.

I wish to **renew** my membership of SECAN Inc.

**I agree:**

- to comply with the Rules of SECAN Inc. (a copy of which can be found at <http://www.consumer.vic.gov.au> )
- to comply with and support the purposes and definitions for SECAN Inc.

**I agree**  **I do not agree**  to any photos of myself, my artwork and my name being used by SECAN Inc. for publicity purposes such as newspapers, radio, television, brochures, SECAN Inc.'s website but not limited to these.

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**Applicant's signature** **Date**

**Application to: Talia Dow, Secretary, talia2assist@hotmail.com** **PAYMENT ELECTRONICALLY SEE DETAILS ABOVE**