

MEDIA RELEASE

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# *A Studio Community*

Celebrating Creativity and Inclusion



The Grace Cossington Smith Gallery is proud to host *A Studio Community*, an exhibition showcasing works in paint, paper, and ceramics by artists from Blue Apple Art Studios and Studio ARTES.

This exhibition celebrates the vibrant creative communities of Blue Apple Art Studios Unisson and Studio ARTES, which provide supportive arts programs for adults with disabilities. Featuring a diverse collection of works, it highlights the creativity and talent of these artists, offering a unique and inspiring perspective.

## About the Studios:

Studio ARTES provides an expressive and empowering environment where adults with disabilities can develop their creative and life skills. Offering a wide range of visual arts programs from painting, weaving, drawing and sculpture, Studio ARTES fosters self-expression and artistic growth. The studio supports members in exploring diverse techniques and mediums, with guidance from skilled facilitators who encourage both independent and collaborative projects. <https://www.studioartes.org.au/>

Blue Apple Art Studios is a collaborative and inclusive art space for artists of all abilities. The studio specializes in painting, drawing, papermaking, and ceramics. With a focus on skill development and creative exploration, Blue Apple Art Studios provides opportunities for artists to exhibit their work and engage with the broader community. <https://unissondisability.org.au/blue-apple-art-studios/>



Short Statement  
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## Blue Apple Art Studios



Suzanne Sorrell, Ceramic vessels



Lisa Tollefsen, The Magpie



John-Paul Wheatley

## Studio ARTES



Hannah French and Emma Matthews collaborative painting.



Untitled by Luke Abdallah and Jenette Scanes



Jeremy Swales, Matthew Elliot and Luke Abdallah collaborative painting.