

Welcome

Welcome to The Perthshire Art Association.

We are the oldest established artist membership organization in Perth & Kinross and have enjoyed charitable status since 1968. Our membership currently exceeds 140 honorary, full, lay and student members.

The Association has always promoted an appreciation of art and the staging of art exhibitions has been a key feature of our activities since the outset. One of the benefits of Full membership of the Association is the opportunity to submit work for the Annual exhibition and any other exhibitions organized by the Association from time to time.

The promotion and encouragement of art is continued through the programme of classes, workshops, demonstrations and lectures, which the Association through its elected Management Committee organizes on an annual basis. Through these activities the Association promotes its Objects which are;

1) To foster an interest in the visual arts in the City of Perth and in the District of Perth & Kinross

2) To encourage young people to take an interest in the visual arts

Since its foundation, through the good offices of the local authority in its successive guises, the Association has held its annual exhibitions in the former Sandeman Library (1913–31) and since 1952 (with the exception of 2000 and 2012) at Perth Museum and Art Gallery. In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Perth Kinnoull a Young Artist Competition targeted at local secondary schools has been held as part of the Association's Annual Exhibition since 2007.

The Association has long prided itself as a mixing pot of artists. Whether they be art school trained and pursuing art as their principal career or those for whom the making of art is a more leisurely activity, all are equally welcome.

Many leading citizens of Perth have been involved with the Association over its long history and many well-known Scottish artists of the 20th and 21st Century have been involved as invited artists and guest openers of the Annual exhibitions.

The Association's History

By Robin H Rodger, PAA President 2015–19

The Art Association for the City and County of Perth was formed on 9 November 1912 with the 17th Earl of Moray appointed its first President. Robert Hay Robertson, a wine merchant and grocer and one of Perth's greatest, if unassuming, benefactors, was appointed Chairman of the Management Committee.

The Association's first *Exhibition of Works of Art* was held in the Picture Gallery of the Sandeman Public Library, opening on 22 December 1913 and running until 31 January 1914. The outbreak of the First World War in the summer of 1914 interrupted the Association's activities and a second exhibition did not take place until 1920. Further exhibitions were held sporadically until 1931.

In 1930 and again in 1935 motions to wind-up the Association were unanimously defeated. Nonetheless the Association appears to have ceased to operate at some point between 1936 and the outbreak of the Second World War in 1939, or shortly thereafter.

In late 1951 at the instigation of William Davidson, the recently appointed Curator of Perth Art Gallery and Museum, an exhibition of *Works by Perthshire Artists* was proposed to be held in the Art Gallery. At the close of the exhibition in February 1952 a meeting of interested persons was held which culminated in the Perthshire Art Association being reconstituted. Lieut. Col. Charles George Borrowman RSW was elected the first President and served until his death in 1956.

Since 1952, the Association has leased rooms at a variety of venues in Perth from the local authority. These have included Fechny Buildings, The Old Perth Academy in Rose Terrace, Pitheavlis Castle, The Fair Maid's House and latterly Oakbank Community Centre.

In 1990 Honorary Member and Past President of the Association the late Mr Walter R McNiven wrote the booklet *A Short History of the Perthshire Art Association (1912 – 1990)*. Further details of the Association are also

recorded in *A Century of Art 1912–2012* compiled and published by the Association in 2012 to mark the Centenary of the founding of the original Association.

The Original Perthshire Art Association (1912-c.35)

The opening on 22 October 1898 of the **Sandeman Public Library** in Kinnoull Street provided Perth with its first purpose built **Art Gallery**. This room was situated on the top floor and was described in the following terms in the local press shortly before it was opened;

“THE PICTURE GALLERY. The remaining apartment is the picture gallery which occupies most of the space on the top floor. It is 52 feet by 35. Primarily designed to suit the exhibition of pictures, the lighting arrangements and colouring are subordinated to this object. The walls are painted vermilion — generally thought to be the best colour to set off the merits of a picture. The picture space is 14 feet of the two side walls, and the plan of the late Mr Orchar, Broughty Ferry, has been adopted in giving the face of the wall a curve, from which the pictures may hang at right angles to the eye of the observer, this being the third occasion in which this device has been employed in Scotland. A large part of the ceiling is taken up with a dome, from which will come the major part of the light, thus preventing shadows which might prejudice the view. The rest of the ceiling is panelled, with heavy beams between. The gallery should in every respect prove an admirable adjunct to the Library, and excellently suited to the purpose in view.”

The Gallery was hung with a major **Loan Exhibition of Old Master and Victorian Paintings** for its official opening by Lord Rosebery. It subsequently housed the paintings which had been acquired by Perth Town Council and played host to a range of exhibitions. Some of these were hired from the South Kensington Museum (Victoria and Albert) as part of a scheme to circulate copies of famous artefacts around the country. Others were generated locally.

In 1903–04 the **Perth Arts & Crafts Exhibition** was staged. This was the largest and most ambitious exhibition undertaken to date. The driving force behind it was Dr Urquhart, Chief Medical Superintendent at Murray Royal Hospital. Dr Urquhart was to become one of the original members of the Association nearly a decade later.

In 1911 an exhibition of the work of Perth and Perthshire Artists was mounted and from this the idea of forming a local Art Association was generated.

In October 1912 the **Perthshire Art Association** was founded and the following year it held its First Annual Exhibition in the Picture Gallery of the Sandeman Public Library. Its activities were interrupted by the First World War, although the majority of its members were too old to serve, and its next exhibition did not take place until 1920.

The Association lobbied for a dedicated Art Gallery for the City and it was two of its members, **Robert Brough** (silk mercer) and **Robert Hay Robertson** (grocer, wine and provision merchant) who subsequently bequeathed both the capital and the nucleus art collections to **Perth Town Council** which resulted in the erection of the present **Perth Art Gallery and Museum** building in George Street.

A meeting of the Association held in the new Art Gallery and Museum in 1935 (shortly after it was officially opened by the Duke and Duchess of York on 10 August that year) defeated a motion proposed by **David Prophet Ramsay** that it be disbanded.

In 1937–38 an exhibition of the work of Perth and Perthshire Artists both living and dead was mounted in the Art Gallery. This included the work of a number of artists associated with the Perthshire Art Association.

At some point between 1936 and 1940, when the Art Gallery and Museum was closed to the public and taken over as headquarters of the Perth Civil Defence, the original Perthshire Art Association appears to have disbanded.

Perth Fine Art Exhibition

Year	Venue	Opener	Catalogue
1911 (22 Dec– 13 Jan 1912)	Sandeman Public Library	Rt Hon 17 th Earl of Moray	PMAG Art Sec NN

The Perthshire Art Association Annual Exhibitions

Year	Venue	Guest Opener	Catalogue
1913 (20 Dec– 31 Jan 1914)	Sandeman Public Library	Rt Hon 17 th Earl of Moray	AKBell LocStudies
1914–19	<i>No exhibitions held due to First World War</i>		
1920 (5 Mar–?)	Sandeman Public Library	Rt Hon 17 th Earl of Moray	AKBell Archives PE6/10/3/ & PMAG Art Sec NN
1921 (16 Dec – 28 Jan 1922)	Sandeman Public Library	[Robert Hay Robertson?]	AKBell Archives PE6/10/4 & PMAG Art Sec NN
1923 (21 Dec– ? 1924)	Sandeman Public Library	Patrick Adam RSA	AKBell Archives PE6/10/5 & PMAG Art Sec NN
1925 (27 Feb – 11 Apr)	Sandeman Public Library	James Paterson PRSW, RSA	PMAG Art Sec NN
1926 (15 Feb–6 Mar)	Sandeman Public Library		
1927 (15 Apr – 28 May)	Sandeman Public Library	Stewart Carmichael	AKBell Archives PE6/10/6 & PMAG Art Sec NN
1928 (23 Nov – 5 Jan 1929)	Sandeman Public Library		AKBell Archives PE6/10/7 & PMAG Art Sec

			NN referred to in press as the 15 th annual exhib
1929	No Exhibition?		
1930	No exhibition?		
1931 (3 Jan - 14 Feb)	Sandeman Public Library	Dr G F Barbour of Bonskeid	AKBell LocStudies
1932	No exhibition?		
1933	No exhibition?		
1934	No exhibition?		
1935 (10 Aug)	PMAG Opened	HRH The Duke and Duchess of York	

The Re-constituted Perthshire Art Association (1952-present)

In 1951 at the instigation of **William Davidson** the newly appointed Director of Perth Art Gallery & Museum an exhibition of works by living artists resident in Perth & Perthshire was proposed for early 1952.

From the outset a stated objective of this venture was to see whether it would be feasible to either re-constitute the previously disbanded Perthshire Art Association or create a new Art Society.

The exhibition was opened by the Perth-born Head of Painting and Drawing at Dundee College of Art, **John Milne Purvis**. Purvis had also been responsible for selecting the exhibited works from the total of 184, which were submitted by 51 artists. From this total, just over 20 works were rejected. No catalogue is known for this exhibition.

Immediately following the private view (and subsequently minuted at a meeting held in **Perth Museum & Art Gallery** on 8 February 1952) it was agreed to re-constitute the former Perthshire Art Association and it held its first Annual Exhibition in Perth Museum and Art Gallery in the Autumn of that same year.

Miss Elspeth S Galloway DA of the Art Department at Perth Academy was closely involved in the plans to re-establish the Association. She encouraged several of her former pupils to join the new body, including Alastair Duff Cairncross, Oscar R Goodall and Donald Shannon. Miss Galloway had studied at Edinburgh College of Art and was a member of the original Perthshire Art Association by 1920. She was elected the 4th President of the re-constituted Association in 1962.

Her Presidency marked the election of the first woman to that post, and when she demitted office in 1977 she left a record 15-year tenure that has not been matched in the history of the Association since its inception in 1912.

Miss Galloway was awarded the D K Thomson Award in 1974 for her services

to the promotion of art locally. Her outstanding contribution to the Association was recognized by the bestowing of the life-time title of *Honorary President* on her in 1977; soon after the Association's Silver Anniversary Exhibition of November 1976, which had featured a special tribute display of a selection of her paintings.

Miss Galloway died in September 1980 shortly before the Annual Exhibition, which commemorated her links with the Association by mounting a memorial display of some of her works.

The Association has enjoyed the use of the Art Gallery for its Annual Exhibitions every year since, with only 2 exceptions (in 2000 and 2012) when the Gallery's exhibition programme precluded the exhibition from taking place. Until the 2000s all three Art Galleries were given over to a month long exhibition. More recently the space allocation has been reduced to a single Gallery.

A notable feature of the Annual Exhibitions from very early days has been the **invited artists** and the Association has also attracted many distinguished **guest openers** to perform the official openings, as the following list bears ample testimony.

Exhibition of Perth and Perthshire Artists

1952 (19 Jan - 9 Feb)	PMAG	Bailie Fred R Blacklaws	J Milne Purvis DA
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The Perthshire Art Association Annual Exhibitions

Year	Venue	Guest Opener	Invited Artist(s)
1952 (11 Oct - 1 Nov)	PMAG	[?]Lord Provost Sir John Ure Primrose	<i>no invited artist</i>
1953 (10 - 31 Oct)	PMAG	<i>not traced</i>	<i>no invited artist</i>
1954 (9 - 30 Oct)	PMAG	<i>not traced</i>	<i>no invited artist</i>
1955 (8 - 29 Oct)	PMAG	<i>not traced</i>	Anne Redpath RSA, Hilary Strain

1956 (6 – 27 Oct)	PMAG	<i>not traced</i>	<i>no invited artist</i>
1957 (19 Oct – 9 Nov)	PMAG	Lord Provost John Buchan	Charles d' O Pilkington Jackson, Hugh Adam Crawford RSA and Robert Lyon
1958 (10 – ?31Oct)	PMAG	Sir George T McGlashan (<i>Convenor Perth & Kinross County Council & former Chairman Scottish Committee of the Arts Council of GB</i>)	Alberto Morrocco ARSA, Scott Sutherland ARSA, Miss Barret, Arthur Ingham
1959 (24 Oct – ?14 Nov)	PMAG	Lord Mansfield	James McIntosh Patrick RSA RSW, Benno Schotz RSA, Hugh Adam Crawford RSA, Misses Winifred and Alison Mackenzie
1960 (22 Oct – ?13 Nov)	PMAG	Sir John Ure Primrose	W G Gillies CBE RSA, Eric Shilsky, Alison Geisler, Peter Simpson
1961 (21 Oct – 12 Nov)	PMAG	Miss Marjorie Dence (<i>Business Manager, Perth Theatre</i>)	Ian Fleming RSA RSW, Robert Henderson Blyth RSA RSW, Miss Marion S

			Gracie, Thomas Whalen
1962 (24 Oct - 18 Nov)	PMAG	Rt Hon The 2 nd Earl Haig (George Alexander Eugene Douglas Haig)	Sir William MacTaggart PRSA, Andrew Dods ARSA
1963 (24 Oct - 17 Nov)	PMAG	Hugh Adam Crawford RSA (<i>Principal Dundee College of Art</i>)	Denis Peploe ARSA, David McClure ARSA
1964 (15 Oct - 8 Nov)	PMAG	John McKenzie Calder (<i>Publisher and founder of Lendlanet Nights Art Festival</i>)	Elizabeth Blackadder ARSA RSW, James Cumming ARSA RSW, Oscar R Goodall
1965 (14 Oct - 7 Nov)	PMAG	Lord Provost Dr Robert Ritchie	Mardi Barrie, Ian Fleming RSA RSW, James Morrison ARSA
1966 (13 Oct - 26 Nov)	PMAG	Lord Elphinstone of Drumkilbo near Meikle	Babs Redpath, Philip Reeves RSW, James Reville RSW
1967 (22 Nov - 13 Dec)	PMAG	Lord Provost D K Thomson	Scott Sutherland ARSA
1968 (24 Oct - 14 Nov)	PMAG	Alberto Morrocco RSA	The 2 nd Earl Haig OBE, Archie Brennan
1969 (2 - 22 Oct)	PMAG	James Cumming ARSA RSW	Barbara Balmer RSW, Joseph Maxwell RSW

		<i>(Edinburgh College of Art)</i>	
1970 (1 – 22 Oct)	PMAG	The Master of Kinnaird	Nancy Jane Burton RSW & Jack Firth RSW
1971 (20 Oct –16 Nov)	PMAG	Sir M George Nairn of Pitcarmick, Bridge of Cally <i>(stood in at short notice for the ill Sir Stanley Norie Miller)</i>	Scott Sutherland RSA, Donald Shannon DA, George Garson
1972 (1 – 22 Nov)	PMAG	Sir James Duncan of Jordanstone	Norman Hepple RA & John Lancaster
1973 (2 – 22 Nov)	PMAG	Hon Elizabeth Lyle of Riemore Lodge, Butterstone, Dunkeld	Works by Peter Brueghel, Sir David Young Cameron RA RSA RWS RSW RE, Harry Fidler, Leon l’Hermitte, Samuel John Peploe <i>(all lent by Perth Town Council)</i>
1974 (6 – 27 Nov)	PMAG	Major Sir David Butter <i>(Lord Lieutenant of Perthshire)</i>	<i>no invited artist</i>
1975 (5 – 26 Nov)	PMAG	I A Duncan Miller <i>(Chairman Tayside)</i>	<i>no invited artist</i>

		<i>Regional Council</i>	
1976 (3 – 27 Nov)	PMAG	David Kinnear Thomson	Elspeth Sybil Galloway DA(<i>tribute in recognition of long service to the Association</i>)
1977 (27 Oct – 20 Nov)	PMAG	Dr Kenneth Ireland OBE (<i>Director and Secretary Pitlochry Festival Theatre</i>)	<i>no invited artist</i>
1978 (1 – 28 Nov)	PMAG	Dr James McIntosh Patrick RSA RSW	<i>no invited artist</i>
1979 (31 Oct – 25 Nov)	PMAG	James Morrison RSA	<i>no invited artist</i>
1980 (29 Oct – 23 Nov)	PMAG	George B Johnston (<i>Adviser in Art & Design, Tayside Regional Council</i>)	Elspeth Sybil Galloway DA(<i>memorial tribute</i>)
1981 (28 Oct – 20 Nov)	PMAG	Emilio Coia	Allan Watt Robson DA (<i>memorial tribute</i>)
1982 (6 Nov – 6 Dec)	PMAG	David McClure RSA	<i>no invited artist</i>
1983 (5 Nov – 3 Dec)	PMAG	Sir Robin Philipson PRSA	Elizabeth Blackadder RSA, Alberto

			Morrocco RSA, Sir Robin Philipson PRSA, Hannah Frew Paterson
1984 (3 Nov – 1 Dec)	PMAG	Joe Maxwell RSW	Joe Maxwell RSW, James Morrison ARSA, David McClure RSA & <i>(memorial tribute)</i> Nancy Graham
1985 (2 – 30 Nov)	PMAG	Joan Knight <i>(Artistic Director Perth Theatre)</i>	Frances Pelly ARSA, George Devlin ARSA & Tom Hovell Shanks RSW
1986 (1 – 26 Nov)	PMAG	David Kinnear Thomson	Robert Leishman RSW <i>(lent by a private collector)</i>
1987 (31 Oct – 28 Nov)	PMAG	Rt Hon Earl of Perth	David M Martin RSW, Willie Rodger
1988 (29 Oct – 26 Nov)	PMAG	Dr James McIntosh Patrick RSA	Alastair Duff Cairncross <i>(memorial tribute)</i>
1989 (28 Oct – 25 Nov)	PMAG	Professor Will McLean RSA	Fred Stiven RSA
1990 (27 Oct – 24 Nov)	PMAG	Dr James Morrison RSA	Joe Maxwell RSW
1991 (2 – 30 Nov)	PMAG	Dr Richard Demarco	John Houston OBE RSA RSW RGI

1992 (30 Oct - 28 Nov)	PMAG	Robert Miller-Smith (<i>Principal of Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art</i>)	Display of works by past presidents of the Association (<i>lent by PMAG and private collections</i>)
1993 (29 Oct - 27 Nov)	PMAG	Major Sir David Butter (<i>newly appointed Patron of the Association</i>)	Alberto Morrocco RSA
1994 (29 Oct - 27 Nov)	PMAG	Peter Collins RSA	Ann Patrick RSW
1995 (4 Nov - 2 Dec)	PMAG	Jim Blair OBE (<i>former Director Perth Museum and Art Gallery, Head of Leisure and Cultural Services Perth & Kinross Council</i>)	Oscar R Goodall RSW
1996 (2 - 30 Nov)	PMAG	Oscar R Goodall RSW	Peter Russell
1997 (1 -29 Nov)	PMAG	Giles Sutherland (<i>Art Critic of The Scotsman</i>)	Lys Hansen
1998 (31 Oct - 28 Nov)	PMAG	Provost John Culliven	Lucy Poett & (<i>memorial tribute</i>) Jean Cuthbert Harkess

1999 (30 Oct – 27 Nov)	PMAG	Roseanna Cunningham MP MSP	Dan Stephen
2000 (31 Oct – 25 Nov)	Perth Theatre	George Donald <i>(of Scotland The What, entertainer)</i>	<i>no invited artist</i>
2001 (3 Nov – 1 Dec)	PMAG	Major Sir David Butter	James Morrison RSA RSW
2002 (2 –30 Nov)	PMAG	Iain M Halliday <i>(Chairman of the Board of Perth Theatre)</i>	Marj Bond RSW
2003 (1 –29 Nov)	PMAG	Provost Bob Scott	Torquil J Macleod DA FRSA <i>(memorial tribute)</i>
2004 (13 Nov –11 Dec)	PMAG	John Scrimger	Claire Harkess
2005 (12 November – 10 Dec)	PMAG	Mrs Mary Cairncross	Barbara Robertson
2006 (11 Nov – 9 Dec)	PMAG	Provost Bob Scott	Joe McIntyre RSW
2007 (10 Nov – 8 Dec)	PMAG	Provost John Hulbert	Cameron Coutts
2008 (22 Nov – 13 Dec)	PMAG	Harry Cooper <i>(President Rotary Club of Perth Kinnoull)</i>	Linda Farquharson
2009 (7 Nov – 12 Dec)	PMAG	Roseanna Cunningham MSP	Kirsty Lorenz
2010 (6 – 27 Nov)	PMAG	Martyn James <i>(Actor)</i>	Ken Bushe
2011 (5 Nov – 3 Dec)	PMAG	Ruth Lumsden <i>(at short notice)</i>	Display of works by PAA tutors

		<i>for the ill Ron Harkess OBE)</i>	
2012	<i>No exhibition held</i>		
2013 (16 Nov - 14 Dec)	PMAG (Gallery 1)	Arthur Watson PRSA	Derek Robertson RSW
2014 (16 Nov - 14 Dec)	PMAG (Gallery 3)	Liz Grant, Provost of Perth & Kinross	<i>No invited artist due to space restrictions</i>
2015 (20 Nov - 19 Dec)	PMAG (Gallery 1)	Bernadette Malone, Chief Executive, Perth & Kinross Council	Jack Morrocco
2016 (4 Nov - 3 Dec) & 2016 (8 Dec - 7 Jan 2017)	PMAG (Gallery 3 & Sculpture Corridor)	Charles, 16 th Earl of Kinnoull, Chair, Culture Perth & Kinross	Laura Porteous
2017 (1 - 16 Dec)	PMAG (Gallery 1)	Dr Alastair Ross CSTJ RSA RGI FRBS FSAScot FRIAS PAI D.Arts	Bruce Shaw
2018 (9 Nov - 1 Dec)	PMAG (Gallery 3)	Hugh Goring, Proprietor of Frames Contemporary Gallery, Perth	Babs Pease
2019 (8 Nov - 30 Nov)	PMAG (Gallery 3)	Fiona Haldane, Pastel Landscape Artist	Arthur J Watson PPRSA
2020 (14 Nov - 14 Dec)	PMAG (Gallery 2)	No official opening due to the Coronavirus Pandemic	Ian Macintyre

Additional Special Exhibitions

On two occasions in its history the Association has mounted special exhibitions in memory of its Presidents who have died in office.

1959 (10 Jul - 1 Aug)	PMAG	Lt Col Charles George Borrowman Memorial Exhibition (73 works)
1963 (12 -30 Jun)	PMAG	Peter Thomson Bissett Memorial Exhibition (81 works)

The Association has also exhibited at various venues over the years as part of the Perth Festival of the Arts. These venues have included The Sandeman Public Library, The AK Bell Library, The Fair Maid's House and St Matthews' Church Hall.

Catalogues were produced for the two Memorial Exhibitions, but not for the Festival Exhibitions.

Honorary Members

The Association from time to time invites any person who is distinguished in the field of art or who has rendered special service to the Association to become an Honorary Life Member.

Since the Association was re-constituted in 1952 Honorary Membership has been conferred on the following;

1960 **Mrs Gloria Esme McLeod Borrowman** (d.1993)

[1974] **Lt Col William Rixon Bucknall** (d.1981)

[1974] **William Davidson** (d.1985)

1976 **James Andrew Blair** (d.2007)

1977 **Miss Elspeth Sybil Galloway** (d.1980)

1983 **Walter Rankin McNiven** (d.2001)

2004 **Mrs Ruth Lumsden**

2005 **Doug Cocker RSA**

2005 **Alastair Ross RSA**

2005 **Oscar R Goodall RSW**

2005 **Claire Harkess RSW**

2007 **Paul Reid**

2008 **Ian Cuthbert Imrie**

2015 **Allan Perera-Liyanage**

Patrons

The following have served by invitation as Patrons of the Association;

1952 – 61 : **Sir John Ure Primrose** (Lord Provost of Perth)

1957 – 67 : **Sir George T McGlashan** (Convenor of Perth & Kinross County Council & former Chairman Scottish Committee of the Arts Council of GB)

1968 – 92 : **David Kinnear Thomson** (Lord Provost of Perth 1966–72)

1974 – 92 : **Alastair U Cross** (last Lord Provost of Perth 1972–75)

1993 – 2010 : **Major Sir David Butter** (Lord Lieutenant of Perthshire)

2013 – : **Arthur Watson** (Past President of the Royal Scottish Academy)

Presidents

(original Association)

1912–25 The Rt Hon The 17th Earl of Moray (Morton Gray Stuart) (*Honorary President*)

1925–27 The Rt Hon Lord Forteviot (Sir John Alexander Dewar) (*Honorary President*)

(re-constituted Association)

1951–56 Lieut Col C G Borrowman RSW

1956–59 Ian A Moodie FRIAS

1959–62 Peter Thomson Bissett DA

1962–77 Elspeth Sybil Galloway DA (*Honorary President 1977–80*)

1977–83 Walter Rankin McNiven FRVA

1983–86 Marj Bond DA

1986–89 Walter Rankin McNiven FRVA

1989–92 Yvonne MacDougall DA

1992–97 Angela Thomson DA

1997–98 Ruth Lumsden

1998–99 Julie Valentine DA

1999–2000 Torquil J MacLeod DA

2000–02 Stella Cormie

2002–05 Sandra Henderson

2005–06 Celia Matthews

2006–08 Alastair MacLean

2008–10 Gillian Booth DA

2010–13 Allan Perera–Liyanage AGAvA

2013–15 Ed Link MA

2015–19 Robin H Rodger MA(Hons) DipAGMS

2019– Ian M Dunsire FRIAS

Jean Drennan Harkess Award Winners

This award honours the memory of Jean Cuthbert Harkess (nee Drennan) who moved to Perth with her family in 1987 and threw herself with great vigour, energy and enthusiasm into many local organizations.

A particular advocate of music and the visual arts, she was a committed member of the Association and served as its Secretary from 1990 until her untimely death in 1998.

The award is presented to the exhibitor whose work is voted the most popular by visitors to the Annual Exhibition.

1998 **Claire Harkess**

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2000 **Julie Valentine** (for *Jake the Collie*)

2001 **Jimmy Dunn** (for *Gillian in the Studio*)

2002 **Allan G Henderson**

2003 **Allan Perera Liyanage** (for *After the Harvest*)

2004 **Allan Henderson** (for *Mornac*)

2005 **Albert Sinclair** (for *Eddie's Pitch (The Big Issue)*)

2006 **Ronald Horner**

2007 **Chris Waites**

2008 **Ronald Horner**

2009 **Ronald Horner** (for *Winter Twilight - Towards Perth*)

2010 **Nancy Brooks** (for *Charlotte's Dancing Debut*) & **Yvonne Spearing** (for *Two Sparrows in the Afternoon*)

2011 **Oscar R Goodall** (for *Shepherd's Warning*)

2012 no award made

2013 **Gillian Booth** (for *African Elephant*)

2014 **Gail Anderson** (for *Waiting*)

2015 **Aaron Jackson** (for *McKellan*)

2016 **Ronald Horner** (for *Looking West from Forteviot Bridge*, and *Moness Burn, Aberfeldy*)

2017 **Stella Kinread** (for *From the Dust of Stars*)

2018 **Marion Corral Paterson** (for *Fingask Blues*)

2019 **Elizabeth McCrae** (for *Urban Landscape*)

The Perera-Liyanage Award for Watercolour

Taking the form of an engraved Quaich this Award is for competition in the Annual Exhibition. Endowed by former President and Honorary Member, Mr Allan Perera-Liyanage in 2018, the Quaich is held by the winner for one year, and is awarded for the work judged the best watercolour in the Annual Exhibition.

2018 – **Sheila Martin** (for *Kilry Fields*)

2019 – **Margaret Hughes** (for *Safe Landing*)

2020 – **Graham Wands** (for *Bridgend, Perth*)

The Stella Anne Cormie Memorial Award for Figure, Portrait, or Animal Studies

Taking the form of an engraved Rose Bowl this Award is for competition in the Annual Exhibition. Endowed in Memory of former President Mrs Stella Cormie (1934–2018) by her husband, Mr Jim Cormie, and Family, in 2018, the Rose Bowl is held by the winner for one year, and is awarded for the work judged the best figure, portrait, or animal study in the Annual Exhibition.

2018 – **Nancy Brooks** (for *Equus*)

2019 – **Allan G Henderson** (for *Laura*)

2020 – **Albie Sinclair** (for *Lisa Thinking*)

The Rodger Prize

Taking the form of cash prize of £50 this Award is for competition in the Annual Exhibition. Endowed by former President Mr Robin H. Rodger in 2019, the prize is awarded for the work judged the best Perth/Perthshire landscape or townscape in the Annual Exhibition.

2019 – **Fergus Purdie** (for *Perth City Hall*)

2020 – **Lisbeth Gallacher** (for *St John's Kirk*)

Junior Award Winners

The Association has always been keen to attract younger artists to join and so sustain the Association and its activities.

Between 1966 and 2004 a Junior Award was made to the outstanding work by a young artist member at the Annual Exhibition. Only the lack of eligible entries saw the Award being withheld on 4 occasions.

The list of winners includes many who have gone on to enjoy successful careers as professional artists.

Since 2007 a Young Artist's Award has been given through the generosity of the Rotary Club of Perth Kinnoull, in conjunction with The Perthshire Art Association.

The Young Artist's Award is made for the best work (and a runner-up) in each of the categories of S1–3 and S4–6. A further prize is awarded to the school making the best overall submission of artworks. All local secondary schools (state and independent) in Perth & Kinross are invited to submit entries, which are then judged by a panel made up of members of the Association. The prize-winning works are included in the Annual Exhibition at the official opening of which exhibition the awards are presented.

Junior Award

1966 **Doug Cocker**

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1968 **Frances Pelly**

1969 **David Annand**

1970 **J Rodger Insh**

1971 **K M Burnett**

1972 **Raymond Honeyman**

1973 **Grania Lithgow**

1974 **Mhairi McLean**

1975 **Raymond Honeyman**

1976 **Carol Jane Dunbar & Iain Illingworth (joint winners)**

1977
1978 **Jillian A Watson**
1979 *no award*
1980 **Donald D Urquhart**
1981 **Penelope Anstice**
1982 **Neil L Ross**
1983 **K Campbell Sandilands**
1984 **John Pavlakis**
1985 *no award*
1986 *no award*
1987 **Claire Harkess**
1988 **Andrew McIntosh**
1989 **Andrew McIntosh & Louise Band**
1990 **Louise Band**
1991 **Claire E M Brooks**
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1994 **Shelly Tulloch**
1995 **Leigh Mailer**
1996 **Kirsty Glimm**
1997 **Robbie Gemmill**
1998 **Christopher McNiven**
1999 **Alison Wardrop**
2000 **Neil Scott**
2002 **Claire Anderson**
2003 **Alastair Hickman**
2004 *no award*
(the Junior Award was discontinued in 2005)

Young Artist Awards (in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Perth Kinnoull) inaugurated 2007

	<i>Winner S1-3</i>	<i>Runner-up S1-3</i>	<i>Winner S4-6</i>	<i>Runner-up S4-6</i>	<i>Overall school</i>
2007	Hannah Stewart	Laura Eglinton	Heather Wong	Bobby Cochran	Perth Grammar
2008	Calum Paterson	Adam Shearer	Angus Bolland	Bryony McCarter	Perth Grammar
2009	Jack Rimmer	Murdo Elwis	Hannah Cox	Charlotte Bryant	Strathallan School
2010	Robyn Sommerville	Jamie-Lee Lynch	Anna Olafsson	Lauren Smollett & Freddy Lynborg <i>(joint)</i>	
2011	Natalie Shek	Gabrielle Von Waldburg	Rebecca Blakey	Andrina Dew	
2012	Charlie Amatt	Dagmara Bieniek	Beatrice Brinkhorst	Ruth Moodie	Perth Grammar
2013	Lisa Ireland	Adam Walker	George Fergusson	Alyssa Dougall	Perth Grammar
2014	Nexus Chung	Heather Robertson	Caitlin Beveridge	Emelia Barclay	Strathallan School
2015	Abie MacLaughlan	Thomas Drew	Jack Somerville	Jenna Goodfellow	Strathallan School
2016	Katherine Morse (Perth Grammar School)	Catriona Roberts (Perth Grammar School)	Leah Hamill (Strathallan School)	Jenny Caplan (Kilgraston School)	St.John's Academy
2017	Vladislav Nemshilov (Strathallan School)	Jessica Pearson (Perth High School)	Tom Jeffers (Glenalmond College)	Mina Brennan (Strathallan School)	Perth High School

2018	Eleanor Smith (Perth High School)	Lisa Low (Perth Grammar School)	Mina Brennan (Strathallan School)	Dhriti Shekar (Strathallan School)	Perth High School
2019	James Lauder (Strathallan School)	Aimee Findlay (Perth Grammar School)	Mina Brennan (Strathallan School)	Natasha Beal (Kilgraston School)	
2020	No competition due to Coronavirus Pandemic				

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