

Friends of the Auburn Tower Newsletter / Update

Spring 2021

Friends' Event Programme

The Concert planned for Sunday 10 October, featuring the Camberwell Salvation Army Band and organist Mark Slavec, has been postponed until **Sunday 20 March 2022.**

Wednesday 27 October 2021: Friends AGM and guest speaker, via Zoom. An email invitation will be sent to all members for whom we have an email address. The notice of meeting will be forwarded to all members under separate cover. After the AGM, which is not expected to take more than 15 minutes, we will enjoy a presentation by Justin Buckley from the National Trust. Justin is Manager of National Trust Gardens, and will speak on *Tree Replacement in Heritage Gardens*.

Thursday 18 November 2021: Friends guided tour of the Duldig Studio Museum and Sculpture Garden – details below.

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Sunday 21 November 2021 afternoon Tower Open Day: Free for Friends members; nominal charge for others. Members of the Rover Car Club of Australia (which meets monthly in the Hall) will present a static display of vintage and veteran Rovers in the church grounds.

Duldig Studio and Sculpture Garden

Those who attended our event marking the 75th Anniversary of the End of World War 2 would recall the amazing life story of Eva de Jong-Duldig presented during the afternoon, and summarised in the souvenir programme (additional copies of which are available on application to the Executive Officer). Time and space did not permit the full story of Eva and her parents, Karl Duldig and Slava Horowitz-Duldig, and their Viennese furniture, to be told in full.

On the afternoon of Thursday 18 November, members

of the Friends and their guests will have an opportunity to explore the Duldig home, now a house museum and sculpture garden, in nearby Malvern East. Numbers are strictly limited, and registration with our Executive Officer is essential (details above). The tour begins at 3:30pm, and takes about 90 minutes.

Our guides for the afternoon will be Wendy Hughes Chuck and Nina Hansen, both members of the Friends and experienced voluntary guides at the Duldig Studio. The tour will begin with tea or coffee and delicious Viennese cake. Groups will then be guided through the heritage sitting room and dining room, which re-create the Duldigs' apartment in pre-war Vienna, and the sculpture garden, which includes Karl's studio and kiln.

This is a rare opportunity to have a personalised tour of this unique attraction. The cost for members of the Friends is \$20, and for non-member guests, \$25, payable on receipt of our invoice which will provide the bank deposit details. Confirmation of booking will be on receipt of payment. Book now with our Executive Officer.