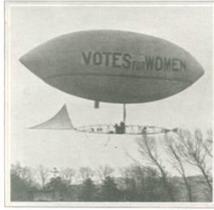


The Muriel Matters Society Epistle



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Hello to All Members and Friends!

I hope this finds you all warm, well and happy. The year is flying, and our next event is:

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Muriel Matters Society Inc – Annual General Meeting

Sunday 13 August, 2017

10.30am – 12.00noon

at

The Chapel, Migration Museum

Enter from Kintore Avenue (just beyond Morgan Thomas Lane)

Come along and hear all about the busy past 12 months and what's planned for 2018.

Meeting will be followed by a tour of The Centre of Democracy

Bookings helpful!

Email murielmatterssociety@gmail.com or

Phone 0437 656 700 for further details.

Gallery Opens at Last!!

The Gallery was finally opened on Tuesday May 23 by the Minister for Arts. A large gathering heard speeches in the Treasures Gallery in the State Library before heading to The Institute Building (corner North Terrace and Kintore) for tours. Thanks to Greg Mackie (History SA) for mentioning us in the speech. Look out for the MM items on display!

Seeking Expressions of Interest:

Group outing to the State Theatre Company's presentation of Ibsen's 'A Doll's House'

Would you like to be part of a group booking to attend this pivotal play in Muriel's life?

Suggested dates: **Sunday 16 July** or **Tuesday 18 July** (women's event)

Ticket Price: Group \$51.00 (for 10 or more) or Single \$61.00

Please contact asap with preference

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Other Recent News

- Book Launches - Thursday April 27 saw Robert Wainwright in Adelaide after travelling from an event in Perth. Thanks to all who helped on the night, about 65 attended for the fabulous food and drinks event. Frances was unable to attend Melbourne events but was able to travel to Sydney.
- Monograph getting closer to printing and will really be available soon. Copies will be distributed to all schools and libraries throughout the state. Continuing thanks to Collette (writing) and Mark (design) for doing the lion's share, with thanks to Steven, Marie, Wendy and Frances for research and other assistance.
- Work on SA's 125th Anniversary of Woman Suffrage in 2019 has begun with a Parliamentary Committee beginning work. Please let us know any thoughts or ideas you have for events, to be held all over the state.
- 'Dames and Daredevils for Democracy', written by Phyl Lobl (NSW Living Folk Treasure) has had a triumphant re-staging through Magda Artz on Sun 25 June. Congratulations to all involved. Check web page soon for update on MM's outstanding return to the limelight in Brisbane.
- Australian academic Clair Wright (of Utopia Girls and The War That Changed Us fame) has contacted and joined MMS in preparation for her new book, focussing on 5 Australians who helped win the vote for UK women – Nellie Martel, Dora Meeson-Coates*, Dora Montefiore, Vida Goldstein and Muriel Matters. We look forward to this new collaboration and working with Clare into the future.
- *Myra Scott's monograph 'How Australian Women Led the Way', featuring Dora Meeson-Coates, started our research on MM, all those years ago.

Memberships

Great response to date – thank you everyone! 2017-18 notices will go out after the AGM.

UK Happenings

Both Jane and Wendy have been visiting London and will assist in finalising (hopefully!) the UK Chapter paperwork.

Robert Wainwright's biography 'Miss Muriel Matters' has been published in the UK and is now available. Planning for this year's UK trip may need to be postponed – a decision will be made soon about the possibility of travel to attend the Hastings (Aug) and/or London (Sept) launch events. More on these events as information becomes available.

Diary Dates

16 or 18 July 2017 – Attend the State Theatre Company's 'A Doll's House'

13 August, 2017 – MMS AGM (see front page)

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