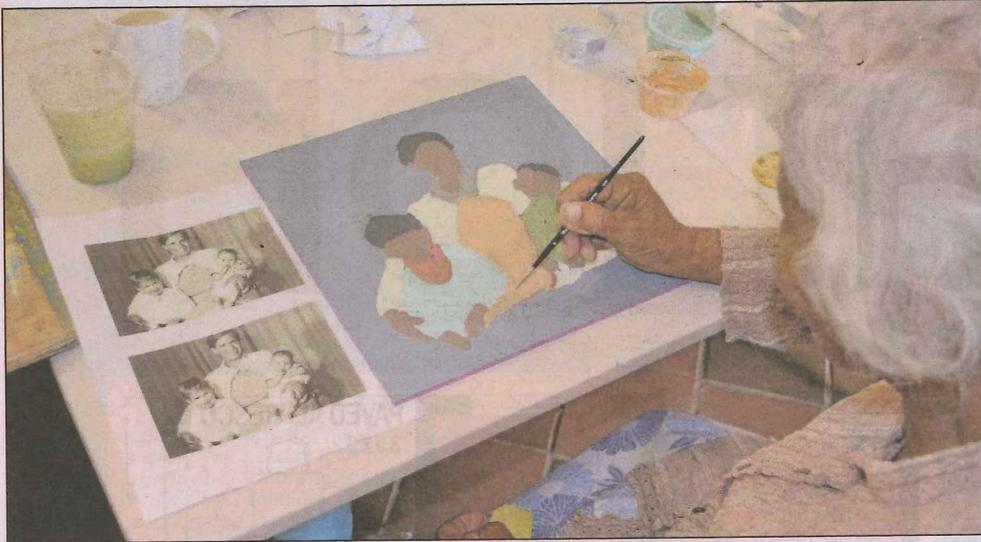


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Artist Gloria Hill painting at one of the CAN art workshops. She, along with other artists, will showcase her works during the Keyen Koondarm exhibition. Photo supplied.

Keyen Koondarm exhibition

AN EXHIBITION featuring paintings that give poetic reference to childhood, rural life, personal journeys and honouring elders will be on show at The Courthouse in the ArtGeo Complex, Busselton this June.

Keyen Koondarm, which is Noongar for one dream, showcases contemporary portrait and object paintings created by Busselton community members during Community Arts Network's (CAN) visual art workshops.

CAN, which formed in 1985, is an organisation that inspires communities to

express their unique stories through creativity and the arts.

"The art sessions were inspired by CAN's Bush Babies project which explores birthing stories and connection to country," said CAN chief executive officer Jo Metcalf.

"The artists worked personal narratives into their paintings by drawing on family photos and their diverse creative backgrounds of visual arts, poetry and doll-making."

Artist Jenny Hill said the exhibition had given her the opportunity to honour

her late grandmother, Alice Nannup.

"She was a proud woman," she said.

Also on show will be a vibrant collage called *Andalap Djedi*, which is Noongar for Busselton Jetty.

The artwork was a collaboration between 22 community members of all ages and depicts creatures found at the Busselton Jetty, along with their Noongar names.

The exhibition runs from June 10-22 at The Courthouse, ArtGeo Complex, 4 Queen Street, Busselton.

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