# South Eastern CASA

Centre Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence





calendar 2014 artwork created by people affected by sexual abuse



Each year I think about what to say in relation to the art work produced by the many women who attend the art groups with Anne Riggs. Each year I am inspired by the courage and determination of those who confront their past by using their creativity. Each year I am in wonder at Anne Riggs' capacity to help individuals heal using art.

The calendar, now in its sixth year, stands as a testament to the courage of all the women, children and men we see at SECASA.

CAROLYN WORTH Manager I'd like to highlight the pivotal part that joining the mosaic group had on my healing journey. Having a Degree in Art, I was super happy to join this group, as I'd lost my way with my art. However, I wasn't expecting what happened.

The night before the class was a restless one and upon waking, to my surprise, I didn't really want to go. Pushing myself to go, I felt very weird, uncomfortable and apprehensive, with no understanding of what it was all about. I resisted the desire to run. I said to myself "You're not going any where. Stand and do this". Once I'd made that decision, I wanted to burst into tears. I left the room to talk to the Counsellor: "I'm tired of crying, I have been crying all my life. When it is ever going to end?"

The worker encouraged and supported me to hang in there; it WOULD get better. As the weeks passed, it got easier and within a month I started to enjoy it and look forward to going.

It took longer to understand why I'd had such emotional responses and one day I realised all my life I'd dreamed of being an Artist and it was never realised. I was always beating myself up. I came to understand the real reason: I hadn't carried my dream through because I had no self-esteem, had bottled anxiety and depression, with sleep disturbances and an inability to handle stress. This was all due to suffering sexual abuse in my childhood. The last 40 years had gone and I simply had to let go of my dream of being an Artist. I came to accept the destructive fallout of abuse in robbing me of my potential and fulfilment of my dream.

Somehow that meltdown in the first mosaic class connected me to my inner struggle and the wall that separated me from my deepest emotions and caused dissociation throughout my life.

I thank SECASA for providing not only excellent one-on-one counselling and a support group, but also the Art Group, which proved paramount in providing a major breakthrough to "getting a life".

LIZ HUGHES

#### **Participants:**

Vanessa Emily H Georgia Leigh Annie Samanth Maurice Kerry

Eva R. Johnson
Bailey Valerie
Cameron Tosca
Alix Dekleva Kris
Juljiana Dekleva Chris

Liz Hughes

Ekaterina Sim1 Emily Pitchford Gayle K

this year we ran projects for women as well as a new project for parents with their children.

#### Counsellors:

Gwendoline Hanson

lma Uko

Jess Miranda

Sallyann Kempler

#### **Artist/Photographer:**

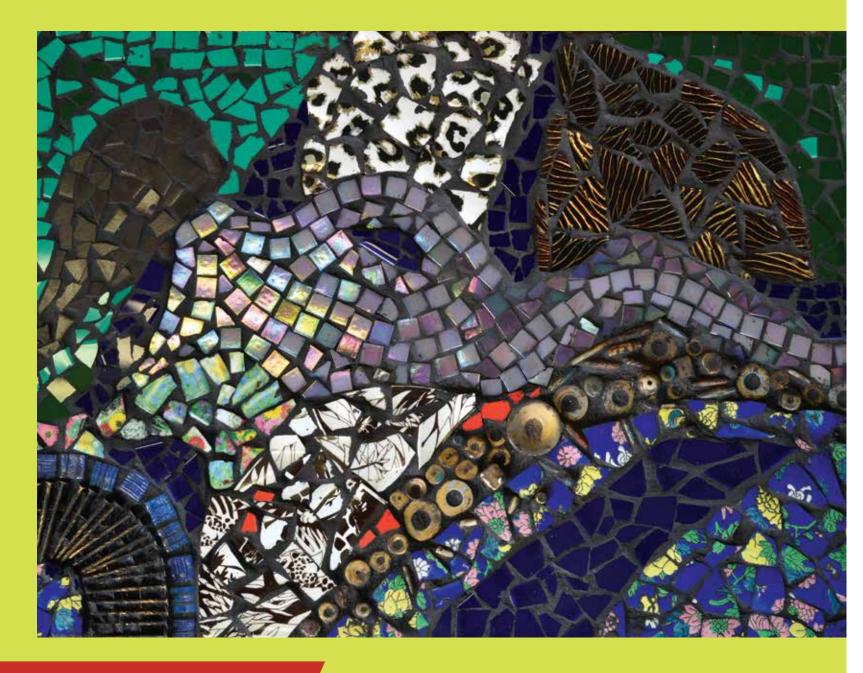
Anne Riggs

#### Design:

Kenneth Galvin with Anne Riggs







The first and great commandment is: Don't let them scare you.

Elmer Davis, Writer

DECEMBER 2013

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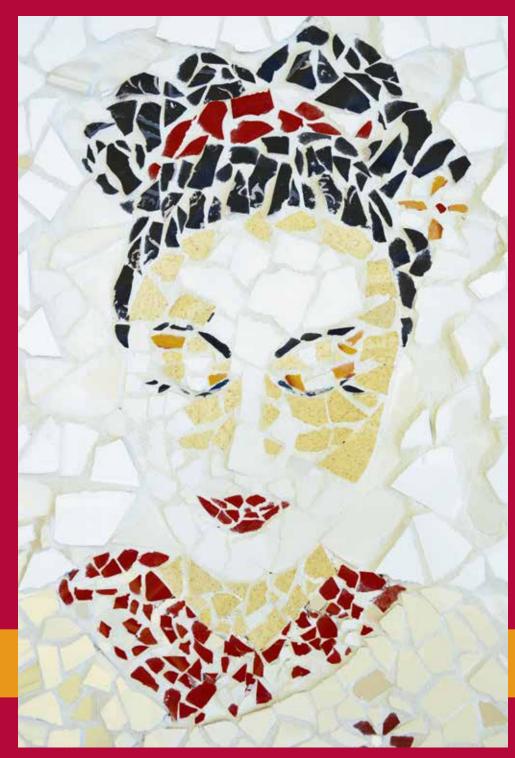


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Australia Day	Australia Day Holiday	Term 1 starts *				South Eastern CASA Centre Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence





Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow.

Helen Keller, Writer/Activist

JANUARY 2014

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Don't worry about the darkness – turn on the light and the darkness automatically goes.

David Lynch, Film Director

FEBRUARY 2014

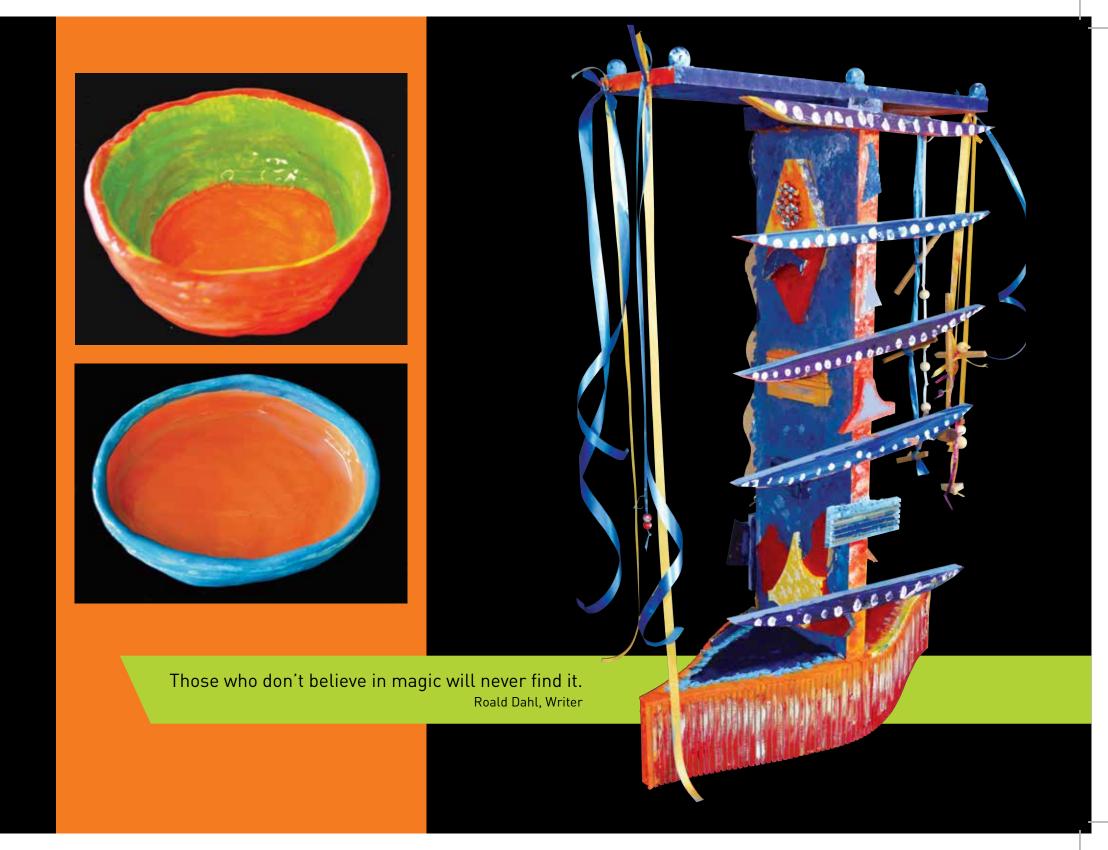
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	Easter Monday	Term 2 starts			ANZAC Day	
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Find the things that shine and move towards them.

Mia Farrow, Actress



APRIL 2014

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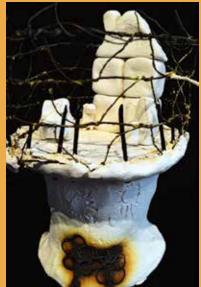
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When you get to the end of your rope – tie a knot in it and hang on.

Franklin D. Roosevelt, Statesman

MAY 2014

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Do the thing you fear most and the death of fear is certain.

Mark Twain, Writer

JUNE 2014

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Don't take any of it too seriously.
Cher, Singer/Actress

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If you can't change your fate, change your attitude.

Amy Tan, Writer







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Don't sidestep suffering. You have to go through it to get where you are going.

Katherine Anne Porter, Writer

SEPTEMBER 2014

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The greatest mistake you ever make in life is to be continually fearing you will make one

OCTOBER 2014

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				Christmas Day	Boxing Day	
29	29	30	31			
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