**PRESS RELEASE: AN ARTISTIC FEAST AT THE UKI POST OFFICE**

**Two fantastic free events are taking place at the newly refurbished Post Office in Uki as part of Postmaster Gary Wall’s new ArtPost Uki initiative; A solo exhibition by local artist Tina Wilson, featuring 30 artworks inspired by nature; and a children’s book Launch by local author/illustrator Lisa Tiffen.**

Tina Wilson’s exhibition, *An Intimate Nature*, features more than 30 artworks created with intricate artistry and exquisite attention to detail. The artworks are created in a variety of media including slate embedded in resin, watercolors and delicate artworks on wood that are sure to delight and amaze.

Psychologist and fellow ArtPost Uki artist Heather McClelland said the following at the exhibition opening:

“Tina’s exhibition succeeds in bringing together both consummate artistry and a collaboration of friendship and thoughtfulness. When Tina sees a gum leaf on the ground in her bush surrounds, she responds to it from her heart. She has the ability to truly observe and then the joyful freedom to, in her words, ‘capture the feeling of a leaf almost by default.’”

Tina’s exhibition is also accompanied by a beautiful book displaying her artworks and quotes by locals. It was created by One Tentacle Publishing, a small print-on-demand publishing company set up by Tina and her partner Matt Ottley….the same publisher who is proud to see the launch of local author/illustrator Lisa Tiffen’s latest children’s book.

Lisa Tiffen is excited to be launching her second book – *Lovelies*, at ArtPost Uki on Saturday 16th June.

Her first book *Grumps*, was a big success, and inspired Lisa to continue with her series of children’s books that provide gentle humour and insight into the emotional world of children.

Life is exciting when the Lovelies come to visit! Laughter fills the air. Heath has a friend coming over to play, but will the fun and games last? Will the slightest whiff of a Grump ruin the party?

Everyone is welcome to attend the book launch, join in the fun and games, meet the author and have your very own book signed….fancy dress is encouraged!

**BOOK LAUNCH DETAILS: A delightful afternoon tea party**

2:30-4pm, Saturday 16th June @ The Uki Post Office

Wear something fancy!

**EXHIBITION DETAILS:**

Tina Wilson’s solo exhibition is on at the Uki Post Office and runs until **4th July**.

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