



News from The Pond!

November 2025 issue:

- Our Featured member is Peter Baldwin
- New Website in progress
- YouTube Channel
- Govt rules out changing copyright law for AI
- ArtsHub



[Illustration by the Featured Member: Peter Baldwin](#)



Peter Baldwin

Featured Member

Peter Baldwin: Illustrator and Teacher

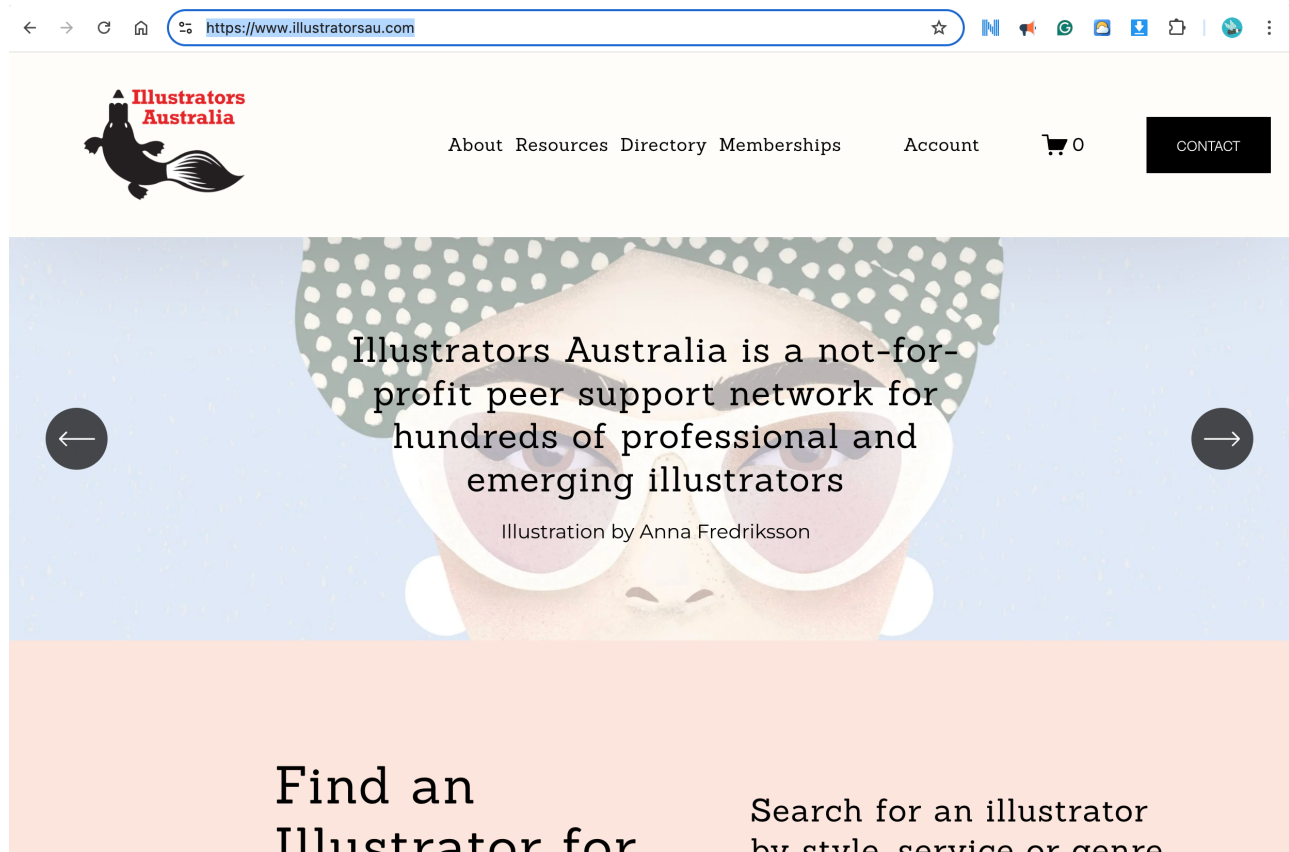
Peter Baldwin is a **Sydney-based illustrator and primary school teacher** known for his diverse portfolio spanning children's books, educational resources, and commercial art.

His illustration work, which includes posters, character designs, and logos, has been commissioned by clients such as **The Australian Museum, Taronga Zoo, and Penguin Random House**. Peter's early career in **wildlife conservation education** deeply influences his artwork and dedication to environmental themes.

His powerful visual storytelling was recognized when his book, *Maxi the Lifeguard: The Stormy Protest*, **won The Wilderness Society Environment Award for Children's Literature in 2019**. His background in teaching gives him valuable insight into creating impactful visuals for young audiences.

[See Peter's work here](#)

New Website Coming...



Hello all,

We're currently rebuilding our website on Squarespace, with a target launch in the **summer of 2026**.

The new site will offer a more professional look, **improved mobile and desktop functionality**, and will centralise subscriptions and payments. Since member portfolio migration is a slow, manual process (being done by volunteers), please bear with us as the site remains a work in progress.

Important: To support more, higher-resolution images, members will submit all portfolio updates via a new form instead of editing directly.

Thank you for your patience as we finalise this transition.

To see a work in progress click on the link below

Features

- Mobile and desktop friendly website
- Up to 24 images for professional members
- Up to 12 images for establishing members
- Search Features
- Automated payment system
- Newsletter within the website, which will feed to Facebook and LinkedIn
- A Community Notice Board/Jobs Board for members
- Regularly featured professional members will be featured on the home page, directory and e-newsletter

- Embed Videos
- Online shop to potentially sell prints and merch

We need your help

If anyone is able to help with setting up portfolios, please let us know. If you've used Squarespace before then that's even better.

See the Website in Progress

www.illustratorsau.com

(this will be the domain while we build the site)

The login is: illustratorsoz

A Win for Australia's Creative Industry! No change to copyright law to give AI companies free rein

The government has definitively ruled out introducing a copyright exemption for artificial intelligence companies training their models on Australian creative works.

Such a carve-out has been fiercely rejected by the creative sector, after it was floated in a Productivity Commission report.

[Read more on ABC News](#)

Our YouTube



GUEST SPEAKER TALKS ON OUR YOUTUBE

As part of our Membership Drive, we hosted 3 guest speakers. Our guest speaker/Illustrator talks are usually members only, but as part of our membership drive, we have made them available to all lovers of art and illustration. Also a special thanks to [Ari Chand](#) for hosting the talks.

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Illustrators and Animators, share your work on our YouTube Channel

If you're an Illustrators Australia member, you can showcase your art, animations, and illustrations on our YouTube channel.

Send videos or links for download to our email, or directly to the committee member

Chris Murray, at chrismurrayillustrator@gmail.com.

Check out other members' work here: [Illustrators Australia - YouTube](#)

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ArtsHub

Over the last few months, we were happy to offer you a trial of our **ArtsHub Organisational Membership**, giving you free access to their website.

The trial is due for renewal in December.

We need your feedback to decide if we should continue this benefit.

If your access link has expired, just email us and we'll help you out!

Did you find the ArtsHub access valuable?



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Join or Renew your Membership

Join a community of illustrators, artists and designers

- Showcase your portfolio and profile
- Participate in Illustrators Australia events and opportunities
- Connect with other illustrators, industry contacts and build community
- Become part of the leading illustrator organisation in Australia
- Contribute, advocate and create through involvement in the organisation and committee.
- Discounts on goods and services from industry partners

Member discounts from these business:

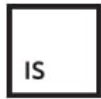
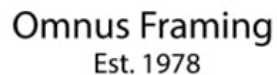
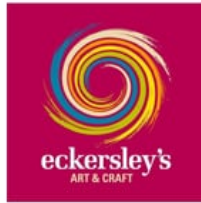


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Member Benefits

Illustrators Australia is open to all Australian and New Zealand residents, or Australian and New Zealand illustrators working overseas. We welcome all types of illustration from traditional to digital and we'd love to have you!

[Benefits and memberships here](#)

Join Illustrators Australia

Thanks Platypi!

A big shout-out to everyone who helped with our Membership Drive!

Thanks to all Illustrators Australia members, new and old. We're all playing our part in raising the profile of illustration within Australia and beyond.



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