

Art for all Occasions

Nothing enlivens a wall more than a stunning piece of artwork. Yet how do you find your ideal canvas?

You commission it, as **Kylie Jackes** discovers.

Have you ever wandered into a display home, a doctor's surgery or an office and been struck by a particularly stunning artwork? It may be the work of local artist Wendy Napier from Go Arty whose commission work is keenly sought.

Whether you are after something contemporary in shades of blue and green, a scenic or floral piece, stylised figures or something with a cultural feel, it is safe to say that Wendy can create a canvas to suit any wall.

Wendy has painted canvases which adorn the walls of Coast day spas, doctor's surgeries and new property developments. And her work has caught the attention of Julie Holst, who is responsible for the interior décor throughout several GJ Gardner display homes on the Coast.

Looking to enhance the 'wow' factor of two properties in Peregrin and Pelican Waters, Julie commissioned Wendy to design several large canvases.

"When commissioning the pieces I briefed Wendy that I had a contemporary look in mind and told her about the colour scheme for the various rooms. I also brought in a cushion and a photograph of several lamps I was using to dress the rooms to help give her a sense of the look I was aiming to achieve," Julie explains.

Wendy, who offers free consultations



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commissions, says she also likes to visit the spaces when creating commission pieces to get a feel for the style the client may be after. Throughout the process, clients often visit to see the canvases and have a final consultation with Wendy before the finishing touches are made.

Since hanging the canvases in the display homes, Julie couldn't be happier

with the end result. "They truly do make an incredible statement and people who visit the properties often comment about them," Julie says.

At Go Arty, Wendy and fellow artist Tony Cole conduct workshops to help people can create their own canvases and host life drawing classes.

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