## Artist: Janine Good

Title: 'Out of the Tide, Pauline Mackinnon' Acrylic on canvas 60x60cm

Pauline Mackinnon is a local identity to Cardinia. She resides in Maryknoll and her family, the Cunninghams, are farming pioneers of Nar Nar Goon. The Mackinnon family have been our family friends for about 10 years - we share the same passion for music, although we first met through hockey. Pauline, a quiet achiever, is warm and extremely generous in heart and spirit, a person who contributes to community in many ways, at many levels.

Pauline recently published her first book: a collection of short stories, poetry and photographs. Titled "Treasures From The Tide", it is a great read about ordinary people. I am so proud of her achievement knowing, personally, the many hours and struggles it takes to bring to fruition anything originating in the heart, particularly in the Arts.

The portrait I have painted shows Pauline at the launch of her beautiful book, looking content with her achievement. The background I based on the image Pauline chose for the front cover; one, she feels, captures something of her soul. Beside her, the pen and empty champagne glass symbolise the celebration. Sheet music speaks of her passion for music and a sprig of wattle is both an emblem from one of her stories and signifies Pauline's great love for the Australian land.

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