

Miss Fisher's mystery learning at U3A

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Her friends know Kristina Somerville-Lee as Southbank's Miss Fisher, after the title character in the ABC television series 'Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries', but she prefers drawing and art to solving murder mysteries.

Kristina, a Century Tower resident, has the nickname because of her hair-style and fashion sense. She might just be feeling like Miss Fisher on the cusp of solving a murder, heading into the first art show she's exhibited in since her school days. Her work will be shown as part of the University of the Third Age's (U3A) exhibition on show at the Hub in Docklands in October.

Kristina said she thoroughly enjoyed her studies at U3A and she was thrilled it had given her the opportunity to exhibit.

"To have something like this university is very important, especially when it's right on our doorstep, just over the river in the CBD," Kristina said.

Kristina said the university was getting much better at running classes that attracted baby boomers, many of whom lived in Southbank.

"There are quite a large number of new members, all testing out some very interesting courses."

She also said the U3A showed you were never too old to start learning and said the education side of the university wasn't the only advantage.

"Our classes have become like one big family, because a lot of us have come from overseas or interstate. We actually get quite busy going out socially after classes."

The U3A exhibition will feature mostly botanical art and is on at the Hub in Docklands from October 8-12.