

THE A.M.E. BALE

MYSTERY



Artist Ernest Buckmaster said he was encouraged to live in Mt Evelyn by A.M.E. Bale, after seeing a sketch of the house *Grantully* in her home. He later bought the house with his Archibald Prize money.

A.M.E. Bale maintained that *Grantully* had belonged to Governor La Trobe, but it has taken a long while to establish that this might have been the case.

Who was A.M.E. Bale, and what did she know about Mt Evelyn that we don't? Art historian Liz Ward will talk about the woman who is emerging from the oblivion women artists often experienced in the past. A book about A.M.E. Bale's work is to be published later in 2011.

Self Portrait (above) by Alice Bale and *Grantully* painted by Charles Salis Lloyd.



Saturday 23rd July 1pm
Station House Community Room at the Mt Evelyn Library
Wray Crescent Mt Evelyn

Afternoon tea . Gold coin donation.

All Welcome

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