

Lichfield Society of Artists Newsflash June 2023

Dates for your Diary

2.6.2023	Flower Painting Group Meeting	1.30 - 3.30 pm	Holy Cross Community Room. Lichfield WS 14 9DX	£2
8.6.2023	Sketching Group	10 am – 1 pm	Lysway Lane, Longdon Village	
14.6.2023	Demonstration Evening Adrian Clamp Charcoal Portraits	7 pm doors open 7. 20 pm prompt start – 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	
16.6.2023	Handing in Day for Exhibition	10 – 10.30 am	At the Guildroom, Guildhall Lichfield	
17.6.2023	Opening of Exhibition	At 11 am.	Guildroom. Lichfield	
20.6.2023	Collection of work	4 pm – 4.30 pm	As above. Please DO NOT arrive before 4 pm.	
7.7.2023	Flower Painting Group Meeting	1.30 - 3.30 pm	Holy Cross Community Room. Lichfield WS 14 9DX	£2
12.7.2023	Summer Social	7pm – 9.30pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	
13.7.2023	Sketching Group	10 am – 1 pm	Claymills Pumping Station, Burton	£?
26.7.2023	Painting Group	7.30 - 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	£2
5.8.2023	Flower painting Group	1.30 - 3.30 pm	Holy Cross Community Room. Lichfield WS 14 9DX	£2
	No main meeting in	August		
10.8.2023	Sketching Group	10am – 1 pm	Bird Street, Lichfield	Parking £
1.9.2023	Flower Painting Group	1.30 - 3.30 pm	Holy Cross Community Room. Lichfield WS 14 9DX	£2
13.9.2023	Main Meeting: Hazel Money demonstration, Landscapes in Graphite	7 pm door open– 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	
14.9.2023	Sketching Group	10 am – 1 pm	Shugborough NT property charges apply	NTE
27.9.2023	Painting group	7.30 - 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	£2

Demonstration Evening, Wednesday 14th June 2023

Doors open at 7 pm. Dennis Harper will give a 15 min up-date on the forthcoming exhibition. It would be great if you could arrive promptly so **we can start by 7.20 pm** so as not to take too much time from the actual demonstration.

Adrian Clamp will be using charcoal for portraits.

Adrian Clamp is a painter, exhibitor and tutor based in Wolverhampton. www.clampart.webs.com
You may find more up to date information by looking on his Linkedin or face book page?

Outing to Patchings in July 2023

This trip will **not** go ahead as there was not enough interest. Tony did make contact with Sutton Coldfield Art Society to see if they were organising a visit but they are not. If members wish to visit the show, then they will need to make their own arrangements to do so.

Thank you to those members who have paid their fees for 2023 /2024

Membership Fees for 2023- 2024 are now overdue

You can pay by bank transfer

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Please include your initials and your membership number in the reference.

OR with cash at the meeting on June 14th 2023 please place the correct money in an envelope with your name & membership number on the front.

OR with a cheque made payable to Lichfield Society of Artists.

Send to Chris King, Packington House, Jerrys Lane, Lichfield, Staffs, WS14 9QA

Be sure to let Chris King know if you have changed your contact details in the last 12 months.

Should you have difficulties paying the amount in one go, please contact Chris King. He will arrange something with you. ring **07825 216720** or email address on front of Newsflash

Reminder: If you used to pay by standing order you were asked to cancel it after covid. We have closed the bank account into which that money was paid, so no money will have been accepted from your account. We no longer offer the option of paying by standing order. Please use one of the options listed above to pay.

Deadline for Exhibition Entries 9th June 2023

Please ensure that you have paid you membership fee prior to submitting your entry form

The forms can be found in May's Newsflash or on the web site. You can download and print them out or you can fill in the on line form by following this link <https://form.jotform.com/231132063336040>

To minimise queuing on handing in day, it would be helpful if you could pay your hanging fees with your entry.

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO Lichfield Society of Artists.

Send to Barbara Weaving 1 Anker Close, Burntwood WS7 9JW

or by bank transfer, mark your payment ENTRY with your membership number e.g., ENTRY 32

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Cash: please have the correct money. Place it in a sealed envelope and mark the envelope with your name and membership number & the amount enclosed. You do not need to pay a fee for the reserve picture. You could hand this in on 14th June at the demo evening.

Barbara has received a number of phone calls about entries. While the exhibition organisers would like members to exhibit work related to Historic Lichfield it is NOT a requirement of entry. Work on other topics will be displayed. Remember you must have your own Public Liability insurance for 3D work.

Information for members exhibiting at the Exhibition from 16th – 20th June 2023

Friday 16th June 10 am – 10.30pm Artists to deliver work

- Please bring your 2 pictures unwrapped.
- **The reserve picture needs to be wrapped for storage.** Please place a label on the wrapping with your name and the title of the work.
- **MAKE SURE THAT THE LABEL ON THE BACK of the work CONTAINS ALL THE INFORMATION** as set out in the T's & C's it will be checked!
- Please ensure that if you are bringing cards and items for the shop that you have listed all the items on the proforma and that the label on the reverse of all items for sale has your code and a different number for each item. This is to enable accurate recording of sales.
- Judging will take place in the morning before the exhibition opens to the public. The Judge will be Mr Colin Low.

- Winners of awards will be notified on Friday evening and invited to attend the opening on Saturday 17th. The winner of the visitor's vote will be notified after the end of the exhibition once votes have been counted.

Friday 16th June 1 pm –5 pm Preview

The exhibition will be open to the public. There will be no sales of hung pictures. Sales from the browser & shop will be made as usual.

Saturday 17th June 2023 9 am – 5 pm

11 am Opening by the Deputy Mayor, with Mr Friel and guests.
Speeches and refreshments and presentation of certificates.

The exhibition will be open from 9 am –5 pm on Sunday & Monday and from 9 am – 4 pm on Tuesday 20th

Collection of work after 4pm and by 4.30 pm on Tuesday 20th June.

Stewarding

- Please turn up for your stewarding session on time.
- Read the instructions, as there have been some alterations to the way items sold need to be recorded.
- Please use the clicker provided to count visitors.
- Please encourage the public to vote for their favourite work.

Summer Social Wednesday 12th July 2023 at the Social Club

Doors open 7 pm for 7.30pm start

Please bring a recent piece of your work with you

There will be time for you to view the work on show and vote for your favourite piece

Colin Low will present the trophies to prize winners and offer some critique of the works chosen. The picture & artist who had the most visitors' vote will be announced and the trophy will be presented.

Refreshments

A fun activity will follow, this is currently in the planning stage. Look out for full details of the meeting on the web site and on Facebook.

Can you Help?

I received an email

"We live in Beacon Park by the tennis courts and we are looking to put some new boards on the side gates. The 4 boards will create a canvas approx. 2.4m x 4.8m which will look very plain for people in the park. I was looking for a local art group that may be interested in painting a park scene that would blend into the scenery as you look across the football fields."

If you would be interested in taking on this project, please email lichfieldsocartist@gmail.com & I will forward your response to Philip & Mandy Mason who will provide you with more details.

Please respond by return if interested in the project. They need a response a.s.a.p. as the boards need replacing now!

Also does anyone know an artists called Barry Dye? A member of the public has made contact and would like to find out more about him as he has purchased a print of his work.

From Weston Park: Volunteers Needed

The Rose Paterson Art Gallery is open daily 11-4 all year round. It offers a monthly changing range of exhibitions of contemporary art, with occasional historic loaned items, and is staffed by two volunteers in the morning and two volunteers in the afternoon. We are particularly looking to recruit for the Gallery on a Saturday and Sunday afternoon 1.30-4.05pm and Thursday am 10.45-1.35 and pm 1.30-4.05. Other opportunities include the House for Room Stewards throughout the open season. These are wonderful opportunities for anyone with a love of Art. Please contact alison.poole@weston-park.com 01952 852 130 if you would like to receive further information.

Demonstration Evening on Wednesday 10th May 2023

The society welcomed Jenny O’Leary to the meeting. She is based in Shropshire and her work depicts the countryside around where she lives. Due to the techniques used in her work Jenny was unable to give a full demonstration, as everything has to dry between layers. During the first part of the evening Jenny talked about the examples of her work she had set out for us to view and explained how she achieves the effects. It is amazing what you can do with tissue paper, Milton fluid, wax & paints! After a break she switched on her wax pot and showed how to apply the liquid wax to mask off areas & then apply further paint / inks etc.



Jenny O’Leary Workshop

Arrangements are being finalised for a workshop.

The theme of the workshop will be Batik inspired by John Piper

“The artist John Piper created atmospheric images of the English landscape and its architecture. Using his work as inspiration students will use the technique of batik – hot wax resist. We will work on tissue paper & found papers with bleach and inks to create atmospheric textures and effects. An exciting course allowing for exploration and discovery. The work will be suitable for further development with stitch. No experience is necessary as the technique will be taught from scratch. A number of samples will be created during the workshop.”

- Provisional date **Saturday 7th October**, (subject to booking a venue).
- Max. 20 places.
- The cost is likely to be around £40 for a day's tuition payable in advance to secure a place once arrangements are confirmed.
- £3 will be payable on the day directly to Jenny towards the cost of materials.
- A minimum number of 12 members for the workshop to run
- **IMPORTANT please email stuartburn1971@gmail.com to register your interest a.s.a.p.** This means that Stuart will contact you directly with the arrangements once they are confirmed. There

is unlikely to be another newsflash before the booking arrangements are finalised with Jenny and the venue. If there is not enough interest, we won't be able to go ahead.

Art Competition

I have received a message from Helen Fowler about competition run by **Lichfield Arts**. This competition has run for several years as part of their L2F Festival. Some of our members have participated previously and Helen hopes that you will be involved again this year. You can check the information by following the Lichfield Arts link below. (Look under the folk festival heading).

- Free to enter
- Cash prizes for the winners
- All shortlisted works will be exhibited at Samuel Johnson House Birthplace Museum in in October.
- **The theme is 'The Miracle of Life', to be interpreted in any way the artist sees fit.**
- Works must be **2 dimensional** and can be in any medium excepting photography and any size up to A1. (23.4 x 33.1 inches)
- **A photo (j peg) of the work should be sent to heatherfowler@lichfieldarts.org.uk or via a link on the Lichfield Arts website, www.lichfieldarts.org.uk**
- **Entries can be made by post.** a photograph of the work should be sent to Lichfield Arts, Donegal House, Bore Street Lichfield Ws13 6LU and marked clearly, Art Competition.
- All entries should include the artist's name and address, email address, phone number and details of the medium used and size of the piece.
- **The competition is now open and the closing date is August 19th 2023**
- A shortlist will be drawn from the photos and finalists will be informed by **August 26th.**

Sketching Group

May's Sketching group meeting took place at Heart of England on a rather wet and windy morning. Fortunately, there was some shelter for those artists who braved the weather. Sketching Group will continue to meet once a month throughout the summer. They may also be taking part in The Fuse festival look out for more information on face book & the web site.



Flower Painting Group

Flower Painting Group will continue to meet over the summer months at its usual venue. However, members of the group may decide to meet outside to draw and paint at other times. Arrangements will be made via the What's App Group. If you wish to join in then email lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com with your phone number so you can be added to the group & receive messages. Please do this before the 22nd June as your email may not be picked up quickly after that date.