

## Lichfield Society of Artists Newsflash 23rd August 2023

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 – 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	
14.9.2023	Sketching Group	10 am – 1 pm	Shugborough <b>NT property charges apply</b>	NT£
27.9.2023	Painting group	7.30 - 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	£2
6.10.2023	Flower painting group	1.30 – 3.30 m	Holy Cross Community Room. Lichfield WS 14 9DX	£2
11.10.2023	Main Meeting in house activity & discussion.	7 pm – 9.30 pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	
12.10.2023	Sketching Group	10 am – 1 pm	Railway Station, Lichfield	£C.P.
<b>20.10.2023</b>	<b>Handing in day Autumn Exhibition</b>	<b>Details to follow</b>	<b>Guildroom Lichfield Guildhall.</b>	
<b>22.10.2023</b>	<b>Exhibition ends. Collection of work at 4.30pm</b>		<b>Hanging fees &amp; commission will apply.</b>	
25.10.2023	Painting Group	7.30 - 9.30pm	Lichfield Social Club WS13 6TS	£2

### **Jenny O’Leary Workshop on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

**Deadline for booking Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023**

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.”

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. This represents good value for money as the society is only aiming to cover costs.

£3 will be payable on the day directly to Jenny towards the cost of materials.

**Venue: Curborough Community Centre 37 Reynolds Cl, Lichfield WS13 7NY**  
**Parking at venue. Bring a packed lunch. Kitchen to make hot drinks.**

**A minimum number of 12 members / friends for the workshop to run**

Email Stuart Burn [stuartburn1971@gmail.com](mailto:stuartburn1971@gmail.com)

## **Autumn Exhibition**

Full details and entry forms will be sent out before the main September meeting.

### **Do you work in 3D, sculpture, ceramic or another 3D art form?**

If you would like to exhibit at the October Exhibition, please contact Barbara a.s.a.p to express your interest. [barbaraweaving@mail.com](mailto:barbaraweaving@mail.com) and by 8<sup>th</sup> September at the latest.

The society is looking to improve the display area for 3D work. To ensure that there is adequate space & plinths etc we need to know now the amount of 3D work that will be entered so we can ensure that everyone's work is displayed well.

Please remember that 3D work is not covered under our public liability insurance and you will need your own certificate to be able to exhibit. If you require help / ideas on where to obtain the insurance Barabra can email you some contacts.

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### **Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup> 2023**

#### **Demonstration Evening with Hazel Money**

##### **Landscapes in Graphite**

Hazel lives and works in Derbyshire depicting the landscape and buildings around her.

Visit her web site to see a full range of her work. Be inspired to try out her graphite techniques in your sketch book.

<https://www.hazelmoney.co.uk/>

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### **June Exhibition and Summer Social**

The exhibition was a great success, we extend our thanks to Dennis Harper for his hard work in securing the funding from Friel Homes, for a longer show and sourcing the boards and the lighting. Barbara Weaving worked tirelessly behind the scenes organising the paperwork and ensuring that all went smoothly. Mr Colin Low had a difficult task of choosing the award winners on the Friday morning, prior to the exhibition opening to the public.

The Deputy Mayor & Mr Friel attended the opening on the Saturday. The Deputy Mayor gave out the certificates to the award winners see photo below. We had excellent sales totalling nearly £3000. There were numerous complimentary comments about the work and the new display boards showed this off to great effect. It wouldn't have been successful without the participation of members and a thank you goes out to everyone involved and all those who lent a hand with the setting up & taking down and of course stewarding.



**John Sanders Award Best in show.** Dennis Harper for "Erasmus Darwin's house"

**Daphne Gick Award for Wildlife.** Pat Brennan for "Goldcrest"

**Dorothy Godfrey Award for Work depicting Landscape.** Tony Barancewicz for "Bolt court leading to Market Square" and "Bolt Court leading to the cathedral"

**Margaret Newman-Smith Award for Best Historic Building.** Ray Blundell for "St Mary's Hub."

**Eilidh Barnardo Award for drawing.** Joan Rollason for "Lichfield Old Library and Museum."

**Awards for excellence.** Sculpture. Sue Crudgington for "Waves",  
Textile art. Claire Turner. for "Images of Historic Lichfield" & Barbara Weaving for "Quonians Lane"  
**Commended**

Liz Thomas. for "Beacon St cottages (2)" & Gwenda Jones for "Evolution Primate 1"

Members enjoyed a lively social evening in July. During the first part of the meeting award winners were presented with their "trophies" and the winner of the Visitors Vote Award was announced by judge, Colin Low.

**The winner of the Len Powell award was Anthony Reeves for "Doorway Packington House." with 42 votes. He also came second with 23 votes for "Quiet pool."**

There was a break for refreshments followed by an activity using the pictures that members had brought with them organised by our Chair, Sue Crudgington. This gave members a chance to talk about their work & many ideas and tips about techniques etc were exchanged.

## Fuse Festival 7th & 8th July

Kevin McCarthy set up a stall at the Fuse Festival in Beacon Park to publicise the Society. There was a lot of interest and it was apparent that many people that Kevin spoke to in the course of the weekend did not know that the Society existed. Many younger people showed an interest. Kevin had many interesting conversations and gave out a number of our leaflets. Sue Crudgington joined Kevin for part of the time. Despite the weather, Kevin & the gazebo managed to stay put and Kevin enjoyed the experience. Thank you Kevin!

It is hoped that the Society will have a bigger and better presence in 2024 when we celebrate our 80th birthday. It is hoped that more members will join in next year.



## Face Book Pages & The Web Site

The photos on the home page of the web site have been changed. However, Stuart has had a limited number of images to play with. It would be great to show the wide range of subject matter and mediums that our members use in their work. If you have any recent images of your work that you can share with Stuart to make the web site look more interesting, then please send them direct to him

[stuartburn1971@gmail.com](mailto:stuartburn1971@gmail.com)

Some of you have difficulty posting your work on the face book page. If you would like the face book page to show images of your recent work, then please email them to [lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com](mailto:lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com) and they will be forwarded to Jan Flynn for her to post. There may be a slight delay over coming weeks of your image being forwarded due to the above email address not being monitored daily.

## A Note about the Photos

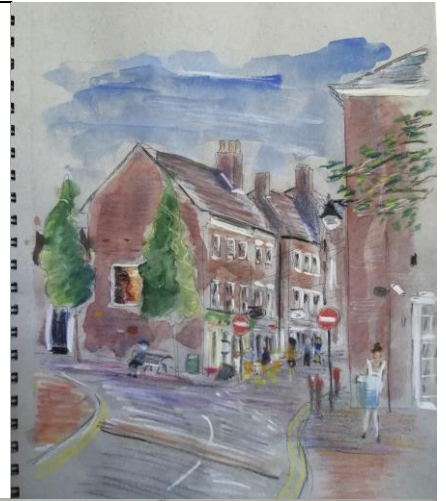
When sending any photos for the web site or face book please ensure that the image of your work is in focus and well lit. Try and ensure that if you have background around the actual image you wish to show that you crop that out. Be sure to take photos of your work before putting it behind glass so there are no reflections. Both Jan and Stuart reserve the right not to use images which are not satisfactory.



## Sketching Group

The sketching group met at the Pumping Station at Claymills in Burton in July and in lovely sunshine, to paint & draw in Bird Street in Lichfield in August.

Meetings will continue until November, see the programme for details. If you would like further information or would like to join the Whats App group then please email [lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com](mailto:lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com) & your details will be passed on to Kevin McCarthy the group organiser.



## Shenstone Library Exhibitions

**Don't miss the current Exhibition**

**Art for a World in Trouble.**

The exhibition will run until 12 noon on the 2nd of September

This is a charity exhibition with all proceeds going to Staffordshire Wildlife Trust who are based in Rugeley.

**September Jenny Dolman**

Will display her work which will consist of seascapes and other works in Watercolour ending on the 30th of September

**October Wendy Griffiths**

An artist from SCSA who paints in watercolour and also decorates China.

<https://www.shenstonecommunitylibrary.org/>

The web site will give you the opening times of the library and coffee shop.