

# Lichfield Society of Artists Newsflash December 2022

## Chairs Christmas Message



Hello everyone.

Well, we've had an interesting although a challenging year once again. Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, we've had to move from our 'home' of Saxon Hill but are getting used to the new venue where everyone has been very accommodating and friendly. The committee have decided to remain at The Social Club in 2023 and the dates have been booked. This means we can continue to meet on Wednesdays. There is plenty of parking and the room is large and airy, so space for all who attend.

We've had some really enjoyable meetings in 2022 and plans for our Christmas meeting are going well. We are working on a programme for 2023 which we hope everyone will enjoy.

With that in mind, I wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Sue Crudgington Chair L.S.A.

Sunset, Norway in pastels by Chair, Sue Crudgington

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

**Christmas Quiz & social evening at 7.30 pm**

**At the Lichfield Social Club, Netherstowe, WS14 6TS**

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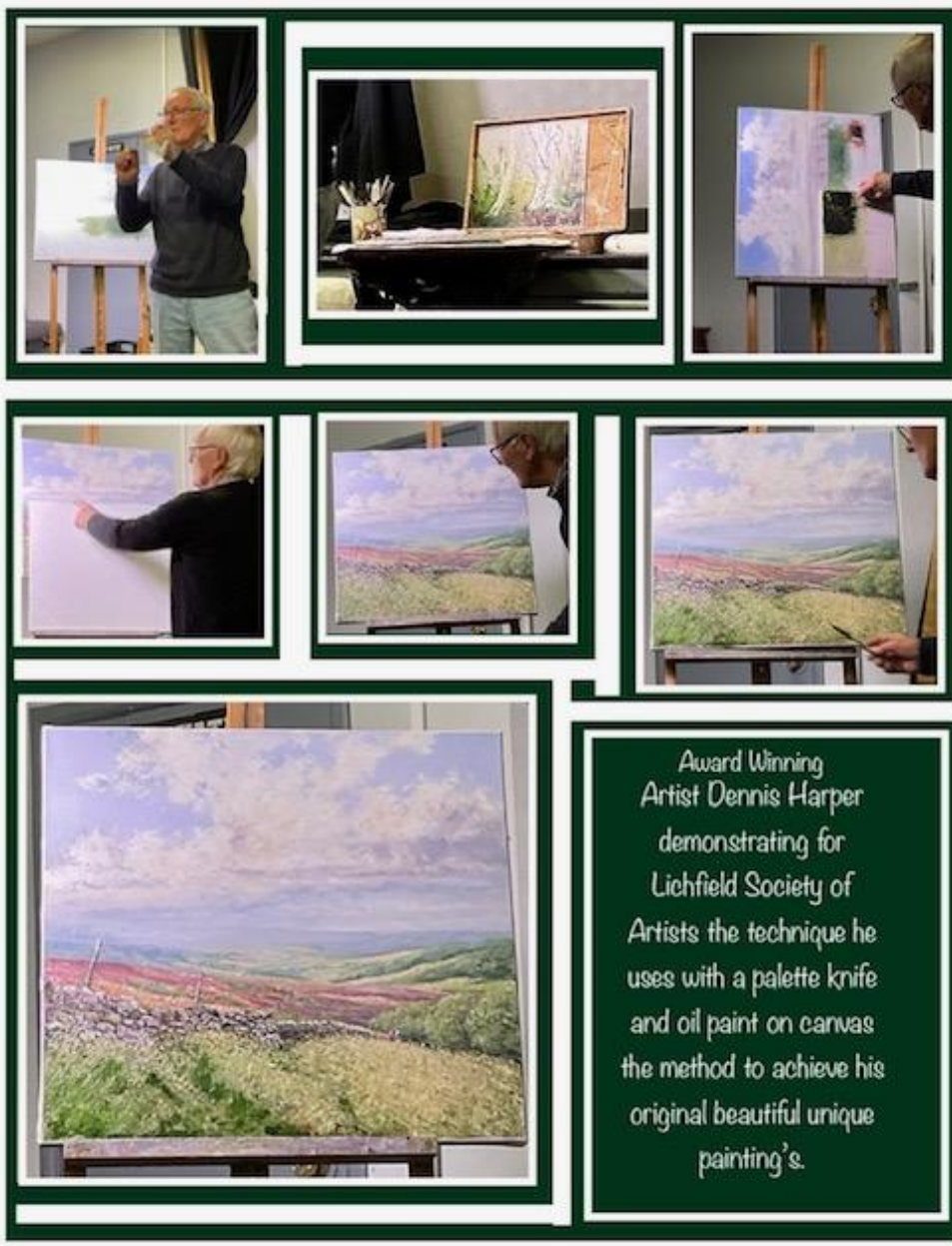
- You are welcome to bring a partner or friend.
- The quiz will only have one "specialist" art round so something for everyone.
- Teams of 4 per table, there will be a small prize for each of the winning team members. (This is due to the table sizes at the venue)
- If you require edible refreshments, you are welcome to bring your own for your own consumption.
- Please bring something to write with, a clip board might be helpful if you have one handy.

**The bar will be open for drinks both alcoholic and non-alcoholic so please bring some money with you. (We will not be serving tea & coffee.)**

## Awards Evening on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022

The Society welcomed Mary Griffin to the meeting. Mary gave out the prizes she had awarded at the October Exhibition. She also gave some insight into her choices and some discussion ensued. Mary was presented with a posy of flowers and a voucher as a thank you for her time and insightful comments about the work that was shown,

Following a break for refreshments, Dennis Harper demonstrated the technique he uses to paint with a palette knife. The audience asked interesting questions and a lively discussion followed Dennis posing the question about “what was not working” on one of the pictures he decided to complete following his demonstration sessions at his exhibition at Shenstone library.





From the top left then clockwise: Petunias in a Glass Pot by Dennis Harper commended. "The Cloud" by Freda Harris, the Michael Fabricant award for Landscape Painting. Aldburgh, Suffolk by Tony Morgan, commended. Butterflies on Buddleia by Barbara Weaving, commended. Poppy Field by Keith Turner, commended & Monet's Garden by Claire Turner, commended. Public Vote was for The Bridge 53 Fradley Junction, by Tony Reeves, Committee (the kittens) by Keith Taylor, commended. Speakers Corner Dam Street by Ray Blundell won both the award for best architectural picture & the best in show award. Life drawing by Tony Barancewicz commended. Tony Reeves also gained a commended for his picture Iron Bridge Gorge, but an image was not available to include. Central photo of the artists from left to right: Barbara Weaving, Dennis Harper, Tony Barancewicz, Claire Turner, Tony Reeves, Tony Morgan, Ray Blundell & Freda Harris.





#### Sketching Group Meeting 10.11.2022

The last Sketching group meeting of 2022 took place at the National Memorial Arboretum. The photo, left, shows group leader Kevin McCarthy with his sketch, done on a windy and cool morning. The group is now having a break and will resume meetings in the spring. Our thanks go to Kevin for organising varied and interesting locations for the meetings this year.

If you would like to join the group in 2023 then email [lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com](mailto:lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com) & your information will be forwarded to Kevin.

### **[L.S.A.'s Face Book Page](#)**

**Our thanks go to Jan Flynn for all the work she does to keep our face book page up-dated with new posts. A lively page does attract new members.**

**This is the society's page and Jan would like more work from you. If you have images you would like to post please send them with your name and title of the picture to [lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com](mailto:lichfieldsocartists@gmail.com)**

**Your image will be forwarded to Jan to be posted on the site.**

### **[A Message from Shenstone Library to L.S.A. Artists](#)**

Dear members,

Shenstone Community Library has recently produced greetings cards from art images that have been hung in the Gallery.

The cards are selling well and now the Trustees wish to extend the range not only of flower paintings which was the initial subject but also Animals, Pets and local scenes.

If you would like to take part and your image was chosen then your email and web site will be included on the back of the card so some advertising there plus your images being recorded for future use.

If you are interested to take part, please let me know via my email [dfh.art@icloud.com](mailto:dfh.art@icloud.com)

Send me an image or images and we will get this underway in January 23

Regards Dennis Harper

## **Resumption of Trips**

Committee Member Tony Barancewicz has taken on the role of organising trips for the Society.  
The first proposed outing will be to:

### **Walsall Art Gallery**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> or Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023**

**Breaking the Mould – Sculpture by Women since 1945** and the Garman / Ryan exhibition.

Entry is Free but the price will be dependent on numbers & transport costs.

There is a café & Gift Shop.

Contact Tony on if you are interested in going a.s.a.p [tbarancewicz55@hotmail.com](mailto:tbarancewicz55@hotmail.com)

Please indicate which day you would prefer or if you can do both dates.

Other proposed outings will be to:

Compton Verney in early May

Patchings in July

The Barber Institute in September

**More details in the New year.**

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## **Lichfield Waterworks Trust**

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Art Competition, April 2023

**Closing Date 31.3.2023**

**Terms & conditions & entry forms available on the web site** [www.lichfieldwaterworkstrust.com](http://www.lichfieldwaterworkstrust.com).

All entries must be on the subject of water and any associated building, structure, people and landscape.

There are size restrictions so please read the T's & C's carefully. Work does not have to be framed just mounted on black card.

The public will have the opportunity to view the entries between the 10<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April mornings only.

The sketching group visited the site last April and produced some excellent sketches. I hope that you will support the LWT by entering some work.

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### **Advanced Notice**

**The International Watercolour Masters returns in 2024**

**At Lilleshall Hall**

**15<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024** you may want to mark the dates in your diary.