



Retford Art Society

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NEWSLETTER

August 2015

We hope the summer is going well and providing lots of artistic opportunities for members. This Newsletter covers July and August, and looks ahead to the autumn months.

Reviews of recent events

Workshop on 27th June

Steven McLoughlin held a well attended Acrylic workshop at Claborough. After demonstrating his techniques in painting a coastal theme, members worked on a similar idea, or one of their own choice.

Critique at Swan Studio on 30th July

Elaine Nash was our guest critic and 15 members enjoyed and were stimulated by her professional approach of positive, detailed analysis, anecdotes and practical tips. All the pictures brought along by members were reviewed, and it was good to see the range and quality revealed. Many thanks go to those who hosted Elaine and provided refreshments.

Forthcoming Events

Painting Day at Papplewick Pumping Station on 27th August.

The Art Society has arranged a visit to Papplewick Pumping Station. This is the finest pumping station in Britain featuring two unique Watts rotative beam engines.

Please arrive for 10.00am when we will be met by the Director Ashley Smart. He will give a short introduction to the site and a tour of the buildings. We will have exclusive access for the day. There is the most wonderful architecture, both indoor and out, which will give us great opportunities for inspiration!

The Art Society has generously offered to fund this event so why not make a day of it?

Volunteers at the Pumping Station have offered to open the cafe so you can get drinks and snacks or bring a packed lunch. If you require

something more substantial just down the road is an excellent pub, the Griffin Arms.

Directions

Follow A614 from Ollerton – and turn right at the large island sign posted Papplewick Pumping Station.

Postcode Station, Rigg Lane, Ravenshead, NG15 9AJ

If you have any questions please contact Lynda Jones on 01777 872004 or Margaret Presley on 01777 707569.

Workshop

The next Workshop will be at **Clarborough Village Hall on Saturday 12th September**, between 10.00am and 3.30pm. It will be led by John Wakefield, and his theme will be pastels. *Sheila Robertson is the contact for future Workshop events; 01909 476287 or e-mail at sheilar45@hotmail.com*

If you are booked in for a workshop and decide not to attend, then please let Sheila know in advance as there may be a waiting list.

Monthly Meetings/ Demonstrations

- On **24th September**, Vic Bearcroft will be demonstrating **Wildlife Painting in Pastels** at the Post 16 Centre.
- On **22nd October**, Terry Chipp shows how to create **Textures in Acrylics**.

The sessions start at 7.30 and promise to be very instructive and enjoyable.

Life Classes

Life Classes restart on Wed.Sept.2nd from 7.00 to 9.00 pm at Swan Studio. Fees are £3.00 for members and £4.00 for non members per session.

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The next meeting is on Mon.14th September 2015 at 4.30pm in room 5, so please remember to pick up any pictures that are currently on display. Let Margaret know if you want your name putting down or taking off – artists are chosen to display their work in alphabetical order. Contact Margaret on 01777 707569 or e-mail a.presley@btinternet.com

Autumn 2015 Exhibition at St Swithun's Church

This is one of the highlights of the year for our **Society. Submission day is at 10am on Sat. 3rd Oct.** The exhibition opens on Thursday 8th October, after the Preview evening, and ends on Saturday, 24th October at 4pm. *This early announcement will be followed nearer the time, in September, with a reminder e-mail/letter and submission forms.*

Other Exhibitions

The Hub - Jenny king is staging an Exhibition of her work on the first floor at The Hub, 11 Churchgate, during the whole of August.

The Usher Galley Lincoln - Rare items with Lincolnshire connections from private, national and international collections – until 27th Sept.

The Barn Gallery, Patching Art Centre – Rob and Joel Waring – Father and Son - until 6th Sept.

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