

September 2022



Salt Fest 2022







Friday – 8.30pm Opening Laser Light Show + St Augustine's Church Droitwich.

Saturday – 10am Opening ceremony, Air Cadets March through town, Town crier in Vines Park, opening statements by local dignitaries.

Saturday – stalls, antiques, food hall, art craft stalls, children's Funfair, live music and lots more.

Sunday – 9.30am sponsored dog canal walk, MacArthur Barstow & Gibbs – Droitwich Vets.; with a theme of fancy dress. Roman living history, salt etc. 2pm Dog Show

Sunday – closing ceremony by Droitwich Community Choir performing last night of the Proms. Fireworks accompanied St Augustine's Bell ringers. Close with God Save The Queen in the Jubilee Year.

Our Members' Work on Show



Our own Rosie Philpott, famous for her wonky pictures of Droitwich Spa and the surrounding area, is excited to exhibit her new original painting at this year's Salt Fest weekend.

After a productive year, Rosie has released three new paintings including 'Yarn Bombing', a quirky take on Victoria Square, 'The Night Watch', a mystical representation of Broadway Tower and 'The Eagle and Sun', the pub famous for its carvery on the Hanbury Road.

Having sold the first two paintings, Rosie is delighted to show the original of 'The Eagle and Sun' which has been framed in solid oak.

Rosie will have a stall at the Salt Fest in Vines Park, Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th September: Look for Rosie's stall over the weekend to see the original in person. In the meantime, visit her website www.rosiephilpott.co.uk to see other works and the new paintings.

Our own **Graham Wilson** who is sadly missed after his death last November has an exhibition planned by his wife Jenny, at the



Kingfisher Centre from 23rd – 25th
September. This is a wonderful opportunity to see a display of over 100 of Graham's paintings.

I think we all will remember his quirky cartoons, cards and wonderful seascapes so do go along and enjoy his artwork.



Local Art Events to come!



Droitwich Spa Art Club is proud to present the Club's first art exhibition to be held at the Library in Droitwich Spa. This year they have secured the Large Gallery space for their exhibition. The library in the heart of Droitwich Spa, holds superb exhibitions by local and national Artists throughout the year.

The Mayor of Droitwich Spa, Councillor **George Duffy**, has agreed to open the Exhibition and invitations have been issued for the launch/private view which will be held on Saturday 3rd September from 10.30am to 12.30pm and drinks and nibbles will be available. **The exhibition runs from 3**rd **– 30**th **September.**

Saturday 3rd September 11.00-13.00 Life Drawing from Images at Café 45, 45 The Tything, Worcester. **WORCESTER DRAWING SCHOOL** website has a monthly payment plan. They say "**This is an opportunity to pay for a whole month of workshops in advance to get a discount.** Access to all our Saturday workshops including life drawing, portrait from life and from photographs and still life. There is a special weekend course every month usually costing £90 on its own. Half price messy hot desks and half price printmaking. This option is suitable for those who want to take a month to get immersed in artistic development." Check out the options here.

BROADWAY ARTS FESTIVAL has an annual open art competition which is open to any artist, in any medium including painting, sculpture, drawing, textiles, ceramics & printmaking. **Main Entry deadline is 8pm 9**th **September** click <u>here</u> for entry and prize details.

NORBURY THEATRE: The Norbury Theatre and Cinema is 100% volunteer run and offers an intimate venue for many varied events throughout the year. We have an extensive programme including a number of bookings by professional hirers and also high-quality amateur productions. We offer films, music, dance and theatrical productions. Go to their website and contact them here

DAN September Meeting

Members are invited to attend a Poetry Evening at the Old Cock Inn led by former Worcestershire poet laureate Nina Lewis and International poetry winner (and member of Droitwich Arts Network) Colin Jack. Details will be sent to members shortly.

DAN Meetings 2022

- Wednesday 14th September Poetry Evening at the Old Cock Inn led by former Worcester poet laureate
 Nina Lewis and International poetry winner Colin Jack
- Wednesday October 19th Published crime thriller author Carla Kovach will give a short talk and then throw it open to questions.
- Wednesday November 9th Workshop. Christmas wreath for door. Amanda Coldridge
- Thursday 8th December Play reading and light refreshments

Exhibitions by Members

At our usual venues Frank Cody is exhibiting at Parks Café and at Sue Cook will be exhibiting at The Button Tree during August. Karen Harmon is displaying 8 pictures and Wendy Simmons 12 at Corbett Medical Centre. Jo Morris will be displaying her work at the space under the stairs at the Library.

DAN August Meeting – En Plein Air



On Saturday 6th August 2022 members brought easels, sketch pads, chairs, small tables, etc to an "En plein air" session in the courtyard area outside "Flowers of

Elegance" in Gurneys Lane (between Waitrose and the High Street). The old buildings provided much scope for art, and an

excellent opportunity to engage with members of the public.





ALL ARTS ALLEY

Thank you to everyone who sent in their splendid photos. Well done all! We now know there is more talent out there and we are asking for more **ANY ART BASED WORK**. I just need photos of your work with any information you wish to disclose, to show in the coming newsletters. Send by email, HERE. **By 30**th **September**.

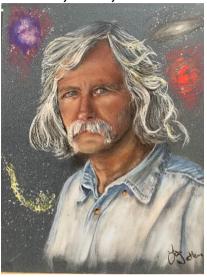
Frank Cody sent in photos of the paintings he will be exhibiting in Parks café during September. They are Autumn Forest (Acrylic on Canvas 30x40cm), Yellow Iris (Acrylic on Canvas 30x40cm). Mt. Lomagnupur, Iceland (Acrylic on Canvas 42x59.4cm)







Tina Watkins "A portrait of someone you may know!



More from Lyn Sharp who wrote "Been away and had covid so not done that much



really. The giraffe is a doodle I drew whilst travelling on a coach to Brussels ink on watercolour paper and a little needle Felted blue tit in merino wool on black felt.

If only all our doodles were that good!



Derek Webster sent in this comical ode!
In the Detail.

Even though the world's going to blazes -Empires are falling Avon's stopped calling All is crisis But what's nice is -You never forget I need new razors

Derek

Sue Cook wrote "These are my first attempts at pastels. See her work at the Button Tree during September.







Susan Birth wrote "Here are pics of two of my recent series of semi-abstract landscapes – Nymphaea2 and Chimera."





Amanda Richards
wrote "Please see
attached my pencil
drawing of our
beautiful Maltipoo
Finn on pastelmat
paper. I'm just starting
out on my pencil and
pastel learning
journey! "



Ruth Bourne wrote "Mixed media (Acrylic monoprint with phototransfer) Young Harlequin. A practice piece, just a bit of fun." Seems to me, practice makes perfect Ruth!



Karen Hotchkiss sent in pics of her wonderful watercolours, currently showning in Corbett Medical Practice.



Rhys Jones sent in these phab photos! He says "I attach a few photos for the "Arts & Crafts" section of the next Newsletter. These photos were taken very recently at Fountains Abbey in North Yorkshire, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. "







