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# LAWRENCE ART SOCIETY - DEVIZES

NEWSLETTER - JUNE / JULY 2020

## **Reminder of Start Date and Demonstrations:**

Last week we held our **June** Committee meeting online and would like to kindly remind you that our **next demonstration** is still set for **September the 7th 2020.**

Instead of a new programme from September, the start of our usual year, we're **extending the membership year and having the missing demonstrations, those between April and July this year, from September to December 2020.**

Starting with Julie Weir and progressing on to Sue Gilmore Powell, Colin Brown and Jane Fox, as on your Programme Card.

**Our new year and membership, therefore, will be starting from January 2021.**

## **Shambles Market Opportunity**

The first one of these was to be on **June 12th and fortnightly from then but now will be on August 14<sup>th</sup> and will operate on the 28<sup>th</sup> also, just before our September start-up.**

Please contact committee members to join the list of those helping or painting at this important new project to let people know who we are and what we do.

## **En Plein Air events**

First one is at Devizes Wharf on September 15<sup>th</sup>, from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

( Chosen for the amount of shelter there.)

**Please contact Jean Perrett to join our happy outdoor painters.**

## **Hillworth Park Exhibitions**

All the works that were displayed here are still behind the locked shutters. When the cafe re-opens, members to collect their work. After that, the next exhibition, which has already been assigned, will be ready to hang.

**Jill Goatman is retiring from her excellent time of running this most worthwhile showing of member's art.**

**Would you and a friend gather and hang paintings here six times a year for us? Please contact Gill on 01380 729708.**

## **Workshops**

At Etchilhampton Hall in October, led by Bernard Willington.

**E-mail or ring Margaret Hanson to book a place.**



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**We will now be running it as an online exhibition via our website.**

As always, the reasons for exhibiting member's work is to show off your varied talents (not just the people who have painted for many years).

By this we bring attention to our much loved Society and its aim, 'to encourage art in Devizes and surrounding districts', and sell some of your works; as we did most successfully last year.

Posters are being prepared for both electronic and hard-copy, for you to send to people you know or take around the district.

Costs to members exhibiting, to cover advertising, are reduced this year to:

£1.50 per painting/sculpture and NO charge for cards as usual.

Commission will also be lower. TBA. See the August Newsletter for this.

Send image/s of your work to the Lawrence Art Society exhibition e-mail address :

[exhibition@lawrenceartsociety.co.uk](mailto:exhibition@lawrenceartsociety.co.uk)

...or a committee member can come to your door and photograph it for you.

**Please be sure to have your pieces in by October 16<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Publicity**

Effective publicity is one of the key parts of promotion of any society, and whilst we are undertaking projects like the stand in the Shambles as an example, 'social media' is one area we fall short (eg Instagram, facebook etc).

We **desperately** need the help of someone who understands a little about how to 'spread the word'. If you feel this is a role you would like to consider, again please have a chat with one of the committee.

## **September demonstration**

The next meeting is our extra-long-awaited demonstration by committee member **Julie Weir**.

A talented and recognised wildlife artist, Julie will demonstrate painting a realistic wildlife subject using Acrylics and Acrylic Inks.

So don't forget 7<sup>th</sup> September, and

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## **Bring along a painting :**

We don't often get to see each others paintings, and sometimes it's fun to 'put a painting to a face'. So please remember to bring along a painting for the September 7<sup>th</sup> demonstration (including a note with your name) and we'll set them up around the room.