



Newsletter 1st July 2021
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Dear members

Club meeting: Wednesday 14th July 2021

Hartlepool Art Gallery, Christ Church, Church Square, Hartlepool, 7.00pm to 9.00pm (doors open 6.40pm). For our first indoor meeting and demonstration for nearly 12 months we welcome **Joe Hush** as our demonstrator for the evening. Joe describes himself as a Northumbrian artist, born in Rothbury, raised in Alnwick and now living in Washington, County Durham. He is primarily a landscape artist, taking his inspiration from the countryside of Northern England. He works in acrylic, oils and watercolour and is a self-taught artist. After 17 years of painting professionally, his paintings are now in many Art Galleries throughout the UK. He tutors art classes throughout the year for the W.E.A. (Workers Educational Association).

Joe will demonstrate painting a landscape in acrylic. **Visitors are welcome at £5.00 per head.**

Please note: Covid measures are still not entirely lifted, so the Gallery has asked that we restrict numbers to 24 attendees. Please confirm beforehand with Liz Littlefair (07774 624350) if you are attending.

Next month's meeting: Wednesday 11th August 2021

Bruce Mulcahy will demonstrate painting with gouache.

Golden Lion changeover

Our first formal changeover will be on **Wednesday 4th August 2021, between 10.00 and 11.00am**. Those members with art work displayed there at the moment will be emailed as a reminder. It would be good to see a complete change of all exhibits on that date. We currently have 28 hanging spaces available to us. These will be allocated on the basis of one painting per member unless there are spare spaces. All work exhibited should be available for sale, so should be adequately framed and corded for hanging. Art Club cards should be used to describe the painting. New cards have been obtained and a supply will be available at the changeover.

2021 Annual Exhibition – dates for your diary

We expect this year's exhibition to run as normally arranged. This is an early notification of the timetable as far as it is known, so members can do some planning:

Wed. 8 th Sept. 2021	Critique of members' work by Ian Lightfoot
Wed. 13 th Oct. 2021	Closing date for entries
Fri. 5 th Nov. 2021	Take-in and selection of work
Tues. 9 th Nov. 2021	Collection of unselected work
Fri. 12 th Nov. 2021	Preview evening
Sat. 13 th Nov. 2021	Exhibition opens
Sat. 15 th Jan. 2022	Exhibition closes
Tues. 18 th Jan. 2022	Collection of unsold work

Entry forms and guidelines will be available with the August newsletter.

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Other regular club activities:

**Art Club Painting Group
Dabble in Art
Drink & Draw at The Causeway**

Unfortunately, we are still waiting to hear when we will be able to start up these regular activities. We will contact all members as soon as we know.

Club fees 2021-22

As we move back to a full programme of activities, the annual membership fee of £25 is now payable for the club year starting 1st June 2021. **New members, and past members returning after a break,** need to pay this as soon as possible and must pay by the end of August 2021 if intending to submit entries for the Annual Exhibition.

Because of the severely curtailed programme in the past year, however, the Committee has agreed that **current members who paid fees for 2020-21 will not be required to pay for the coming year.** Subs can be paid at the Club meeting. Direct payments can also be made to:

Hartlepool Art Club
Sort Code: 55-81-04
Acc num: 84222891
Reference: memb fees

A receipt number will be sent by email after 3rd of the following month.

Best wishes to everyone!

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