

Newsletter 1st September 2023 www.hartlepool-art-club.co.uk www.facebook.com/hartlepoolartclub www.twitter.com/hartlepoolac

Club Meeting: Wednesday 13th September 2023

Hartlepool Art Gallery, Christ Church, Church Square, Hartlepool, 7.00pm – 9.00pm (doors open 6.40pm).

This is our very enjoyable session where we invite **lan Lightfoot** to provide a critique of our work. Bring one or two paintings (finished or in progress) which you might be thinking of entering into this year's Annual Exhibition and Ian will cast a professional eye over them. He is always honest but gentle!

£3 for Members and £6 for Guests.

Sealed Bid Auction, closes 12th September 2023

Don't forget the auction of Roy Carless's 'COVID and Cancer Therapy Paintings', which Roy is offering for sale as a contribution to club funds. Each painting has a minimum price attached to it. Bids over the minimum price can be made:

- by post to Sue Osbon, 38 Wellington Drive, Wynyard, Billingham, TS22 5QJ (stating title of painting, price offered, your name and a contact telephone number) before 10th September 2023. Please ensure you put 'sealed bid auction' on the back of the envelope to ensure it is not opened until after 10th September.
- by email to <u>sue osbon@hotmail.com</u> (stating title of painting, price offered, your name and a contact telephone number) **before 10th September 2023**. Please ensure you put 'sealed bid auction' in the title of your email to ensure it is not opened until after 10th September.

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Successful bidders will be notified by telephone and will be expected to pay for the painting(s) within one week. The amount of money raised will be announced at the club meeting on 13th September. Please contact Sue if you would like to see photos of the grouped paintings, or more detailed versions of individual paintings.

Next Club Meeting: Wednesday 11th October 2023

We are pleased to welcome **Colin Joyce**, who will demonstrate Seascapes in watercolour. This meeting is also the last opportunity to submit entries for this year's Annual Exhibition (see below).

Hartlepool Art Club: 76th Annual Exhibition

Dates for this year's Annual Exhibition at Hartlepool Art Gallery have been provisionally agreed with the Council. The programme is as follows:

Closing date for entries:	Club meeting, Wed 11 October
Take-in and selection date:	Fri 10 November
Preview evening:	Fri 17 November

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Exhibition opens:	Sat 18 November
Exhibition closes:	Sat 13 Jan 2024
Collection of unsold work:	Tue 16 Jan 2024

The image to be used for publicity and the cover of the catalogue is a new painting of Hartlepool Headland by Brian Nunn.

Entry forms and guidance notes are attached.

Please note: to enter this year's exhibition you must have already paid your annual club fees by the end of August. This clearly does not apply to new members joining the club between now and the closing date of 11th October 2023.

Golden Lion changeover

The next changeover at The Golden Lion Inn, Dunston Road, Hartlepool, TS26 0EN, will be on Wednesday 4th October, from 10.00 to 11.00am.

Just turn up with your painting. We currently have 28 hanging spaces available to us and we give priority to members exhibiting for the first time. 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. A supply will be available at the changeover. Golden Lion commission on sales is 10% and the Club also takes 10%.

Art Club Painting Group

Painting days are held on the second Saturday of every month. **This month it's Saturday 9th.** Sessions are held at the Salvation Army Community Hall in Park Road Hartlepool TS26 9HT between 10am and 2pm. Beverages are available and you may bring a packed lunch if you wish. We have use of the private car park, although it is only about 400 yards from York Road bus stops. There is a **£4 per head contribution**, to help pay for the accommodation and non-members are welcome. Please note that there is no tutor at most sessions, although we do sometimes hold workshops with renowned artists, when a higher contribution is payable, towards their fees. You will need to bring your own materials, although there is a limited stock of paints, pencils and paper, for people who fancy trying different media and help is willingly given by other members. It is a lively, friendly group and you can decide how long you care to stay.

If you would like further information email info@hartlepool-art-club.co.uk or ring / text Alan on 07866 551460

Dabble in Art

Every other Saturday, every month, 10.00am – 12.00 noon at Hartlepool Art Gallery. The next class is on **Saturday 2nd September**. For further information please contact the Gallery Information desk on 01429 869706 or Keith Robson on 07824971666. Organised and run by members of the Club with help from parents and grandparents, Dabble provides children of all ages with the opportunity to take part in exciting art activities in various media. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the session.

Drink & Draw at The Blacksmith's Arms

Held every Tuesday evening, 7 – 9pm in this popular and very old Hartlepool pub. All are welcome. Contact Keith on 07824971666 for more details. Volunteers to sit as models are always needed!

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Staithes Festival

Please contact Brian Nunn if you are interested in joining other Art Club members visiting the Staithes Festival on Sunday 17th September 2023. If we fill the bus, the cost per person will be £25. Brian's mobile number is 07803 609760.

Best wishes

Sue Osbon Exhibition Secretary Mobile: 07841 097417 Email: <u>sechartlepoolartclub@outlook.com</u>