



**Newsletter 1st May 2024**

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## **Club Meeting: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

We are pleased to welcome **Heather Moore**, who will show us the creative techniques of lino printing. Hartlepool Art Gallery, Christ Church, Church Square, Hartlepool, 7.00pm – 9.00pm (doors open 6.40pm)

Heather became a professional artist in 2018 when she sold her first limited edition print and opened up her online shop. Based in Newcastle in her home studio, she is inspired by the coastline and nature around her – particularly the amazing beaches we have in the North East. Her surroundings feed her passion for creating colourful limited edition Lino prints with high quality papers and oil-based inks.

In recent years, her focus has been on printing layered coastal artworks in gorgeous blues and greens and lustrous gold. She is a firm believer that colour can enhance mood so she selects colours that will bring joy. This is how she sees the world. The colours she uses aren't necessarily a direct representation of the look of the coast but of how it makes her feel - positive emotions that she wants to pass on to those viewing her work.

She aims to operate low waste systems, recycling test prints and misprints into collages rather than sending them to landfill. She also uses papers that are 50% cotton and cleans her tools using vegetable oil rather than harsh chemicals.

Since leaving teaching in 2022 and becoming self-employed, she has realised that she is a total workaholic and needs to schedule in time for herself. When she's not working, she enjoys taking strolls on the beach with her family, eating too much dark chocolate and reading.

Members £3, guests £6. If you need further information, please contact Liz Littlefair on 07774 624350

## **Watercolour workshop – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

**Colin Joyce** will lead a watercolour workshop in the Salvation Army Community Hall in Park Road Hartlepool TS26 9HT between 10.00am and 4.00pm. Members will remember that Colin demonstrated a harbour scene for us in October last year.

Originally from Sunderland, Colin now lives in Scotland. Having always had an interest in art since early school years, he studied art to Advanced level and, later, part-time college. He then pursued a career in Financial Services for 38 years, painting in his spare time. He took early retirement in 2013 to concentrate on painting full time. Colin has been teaching and exhibiting his art since then and loves to share his enthusiasm.

As well as being a watercolour instructor on cruise ships he also tutors workshops for painting holiday companies, as well as running his own workshops in the UK and especially Scotland. Colin writes regular articles for Leisure Painter magazine and travels around the UK providing demonstrations and workshops for art groups and societies.

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Cost for the workshop is £25. For further details and to reserve your place please contact Liz Littlefair on 07774 624350

**Please note:** This workshop will run alongside the monthly Painting Group for May (regular attendees not actively participating in the workshop will pay the usual fees).

## **Next month's Club Meeting**

We have a real treat for our June meeting. We welcome **Lynton Parmar-Hemsley** (Sky Arts finalist - Portrait Artist of the Year and Landscape Artist of the Year). Further details in the June newsletter. Why not visit Lynton's website <https://www.lyntonartist.com> to view some of his work.

## **11<sup>th</sup> Coastal Cornucopia Exhibition – The Station, Richmond**

Our exhibition in The Station runs until **8<sup>th</sup> May 2024** in the Artisan area. Framed and unframed paintings are available for sale in this popular venue. The exhibition has already received favourable reviews and, to date, 5 paintings have been sold. Well worth a visit!

(I will be contacting exhibitors shortly to confirm arrangements for collection on 8<sup>th</sup> May)

## **Golden Lion changeover: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

The next changeover at The Golden Lion Inn, Dunston Road, Hartlepool, TS26 0EN, will be on **Wednesday 5th June, 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%.

## **Patchings Art Festival: Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

The annual art festival at Patchings Art Centre near Nottingham is the largest outdoor art festival in the country. Marquees full of craft stalls, artwork and every piece of equipment an artist might need, run alongside demonstrations by well-known artists. There are usually jazz musicians (and I think there's a choir this year) and plenty of places to eat, whether formally or informally. **If you are interested in attending, by car-share**, please contact Brian Nunn on 07803 609760. Arrangements will depend on how many are interested.

## **Regular activity:**

### **Art Club Painting Group**

Please see the note on the Watercolour Workshop above. If you would like further information email [info@hartlepool-art-club.co.uk](mailto:info@hartlepool-art-club.co.uk) or ring / text Alan Turnbull on **07866 551460**

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## **Dabble in Art**

Every other Saturday, every month, 10.00am – 12.00 noon at Hartlepool Art Gallery. Because of work in the Gallery, **the next session is May 25<sup>th</sup>**. 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!

## **Other events & notes:**

### **Guild of Railway Artists**

I am pleased to announce that **Ted Parker** has recently been awarded full membership of the Guild of Railway Artists (GRA). Well done Ted! We now have two members of this prestigious body – the other being Malcolm Davies.

## **Touring Exhibition at Hartlepool Art Gallery, 18<sup>th</sup> May – 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

The Gallery will be hosting a touring exhibition 'Drawing Attention: Emerging Artists in Dialogue', presenting some of the most compelling and talented artists working in contemporary drawing, displayed alongside highlights from the British Museum prints and drawings collection.

In this surprising and thought-provoking selection, emerging artists take the medium of drawing in new directions and use innovative approaches. A wide range of techniques and practices are represented, including drawings using make-up on face wipes by Sin Wai Kin and a drawing made by chalk collected from the White Cliffs of Dover by Josephine Baker.

Alongside works by celebrated artists will be a selection from Hartlepool's own fine art collection chosen by Young Producers and brand new work created by students from the Northern School of Art.

## **Turner: Art, Industry and Nostalgia – Laing Art Gallery, Newcastle, 10<sup>th</sup> May – 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

Turner's *The Fighting Temeraire* (1839), on loan from the National Gallery, will be the centrepiece of the exhibition, which explores the rise of steam power and industry in Britain. This is of particular relevance to the North East, with ship building still very much part of the identity of the region. Admission charges apply.

**If you know of an exhibition or art-related event which might be of interest to other members, it can be included in the newsletter or circulated separately. Send details to the email address below.**

Best wishes

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