CAS Newsletter September 2024

Dear Members,

I hope you have enjoyed your summer break despite the mixed weather. The Sketching Group have been enjoying their outings throughout the Summer. They sketched and painted at West Dean Village when an amazing nine members attended: Laura, Chloe, Louise, Sylvia, Sue, Tamsin, Jules, Natalie (first time) and Sharon. It was cloudy and chilly but they had a really enjoyable morning, unfortunately cut short by the rain, but there was a great atmosphere in the cafe afterwards. No photographs I am afraid. Six members attended the Emsworth Yacht Harbour day and managed over an hour of drawing and painting before the rain started in earnest. They painted some lovely views at Lavant Village Green and braved the Trundle for the 3rd time. Although it was a rather windy with cloud cover, I am sure they produced some moody paintings. (Photographs attached)







Large display panels

The Oxmarket Gallery are clearing out some old equipment and have some very large panels on castors that were previously used down the middle of the galleries to hang art work. They are trying to find a home for them before they go to the dump and wondered if the Art Society may find them of use. The Committee have decided that we don't need them, but wondered if a member would find them useful if they take part in Open Studio or Art Trail events. If you are interested please contact Cath Bryant at the gallery. Please note, she works a 3 day week between Tuesday – Friday, so will respond as soon as

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<u>September's Programme</u>

Thursday 5th September – Keith Dymond will be giving and illustrated talk and demonstration (morning meeting)

Keith works from his home in East Sussex as a glass artist; a pursuit which allows him to use his engineering background in conjunction with his design skills and creativity. Keith works with all forms of kiln-fused glass and delivers hands-on and insightful demonstrations and workshops.

Keith's glass evokes a sense of pure form and hidden complexity, gained through his relentless pursuit of perfection. He unites aesthetics, chemistry, physics and functionality through the exploration and manipulation of glass properties.

During the first half of the morning Keith will give a broad overview and history of glass, outlining some key features and details from the earliest to mid-century studio glass movement, with a narrated visual presentation. After the break he will demonstrate the range of equipment and techniques he uses including a practical demonstration of cutting glass.

Thursday 19th September – Ronnie Ireland will be giving an illustrated talk on 'Interiors' by six different artists. (evening meeting)

Ronnie's talks are always interesting, informative and entertaining. His talk will cover six artists from old masters to modern day and compare and contrast their different approaches to the subject.

Sketching Dates for September

Wednesday 4 September - Chichester Canal Chichester Canal offers a variety of subjects to sketch; boats, canoes, paddle boards and people; not to mention lovely views. Refreshments and toilet facilities are available in the canal shop and nearby public house. Parking at the canal is limited but you should be able to park in Terminus Road, just a short walk away or even Chichester Gate car park. There is also a car park at the Hunston Bridge

end of the canal and there are good views of the cathedral from this end.

Tuesday 10 September – **Fishbourne Meadows** Parking is available in St Peter and St Mary's Church in Fishbourne Road West. The meadow can be accessed through the churchyard. If you are coming via the A27 take the Fishbourne exit, the church is about 200 yds on the left and it is signposted. Obviously it's a right turn if you are approaching from the other direction.

Sharon will be arriving at each location a few minutes before 9.30am to meet you.

Painting with Friends

Painting with Friends will commence on Tuesday 3rd September and continue until early December. For those of you who haven't attended before, it is a untutored group which runs from 1.00pm to 4.00pm on a Tuesday afternoon in the Bassil Shippam Hall. Whilst most of the members belong to CAS, non-members are welcome to join us, so please feel free to bring along a friend.

The cost is £4 a session and runs on a drop in basis.

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend Keith's glass demonstration, but Louise Bach our Membership Secretary will be running the evening, so please come along and support her. Regards,

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