



SOUTH WALES ART SOCIETY

Newsletter

October 2023 (Revised)

Hello everyone

I hope you are all enjoying the current season of meetings. So far, we have had three excellent demonstrations from Rupert Aker, Barry Herniman, and 'DJ' Johnson. Coming up, we have the following events:

24 Oct	Talk - David Haswell - Talk and slides about creating his abstract art
7 Nov	Critique - This will be an in-house critique, where members will be invited to give their opinions! <i>Cardiff Frame Co will be coming on this evening with a selection of bargain frames.</i>
17 Nov	Annual Exhibition Selection & Judging
21 Nov	Talk - Morgan Haigh - Art History : The birth of modern art
4 Dec	Annual Exhibition setting up & Opening
5 Dec	SWAS Christmas Social evening
7 Dec	Annual Exhibition Opening Night
2024	
9 Jan	TBC Members activity; the format of this evening is still to be finalised
19 Jan	Annual Exhibition Closing
23 Jan	Demo - Gigi Jones - oil and wax resist
6 Feb	Demo - Adele Pask - Watercolour and Gouache
20 Feb	Derrick Turner competition - week 1 "People In Interaction"
5 Mar	Derrick Turner competition - week 2 "Tranquility"
19 Mar	AGM

Annual Exhibition 2023

Our Annual Exhibition will soon be upon us. It will be held at Penarth Pier Pavilion from 4 December 2023 to 19 January 2024. We can only exhibit a maximum of 50 paintings, so a selection will be necessary. Artworks may be on any subject. All paintings and sculptures must be for sale - and realistically priced! The gallery will take a 25% commission (+ VAT).

Each member may enter one or two paintings, of which the maximum external dimension (i.e. including the frame) is 36". Members may also enter a miniature painting or sculpture as defined in the accompanying rules (see rule 5), which I have attached. All artworks must be labelled with the artist's name and contact details, title, medium and price.

I have attached an entry form, which must be emailed or handed to our Exhibition Organiser, Eli Absi, by Friday 10 November 2023.

The judging and selection day will be Friday 17 November at the Heath Hall. Please bring your paintings to the hall between 12 midday and 1 o'clock. You may collect them after 3.30 pm.

Entry fees of £5 per artwork are payable on selection day. Please note that all fixings must be removed from the artworks for selection day (see rule 10(i)).

We shall be setting up the exhibition on Monday 4 December from 10 am until midday, so that we can open the exhibition later that day. Paintings selected for hanging must be fitted and strung with D-rings or similar, ready for hanging.

The Opening Evening (and presentation of prizes) will be on Thursday 7 December from 6 pm to 8 pm. Please will last year's prizewinners return their trophies as soon as possible to any member of the committee.

Artists whose work is sold at the exhibition are asked to contact Karen Davies, Pavilion Manager, with their contact and bank details.

The exhibition will close on Friday 19th January.

Annual Exhibition 2024

Next year's Annual Exhibition will be held at The Turner House Gallery from 1st - 28th April 2024. Further details in due course.

In-house critique, 7th November

In an effort to save our cash and keep your subscriptions to a minimum, we have decided to do the next critique ourselves. I'm sure we've all been to critiques in the past where we've agreed with some of what's been said and disagreed with other parts. Now this is your chance to say what you think about the paintings of your fellow members. I know that several members have done critiques - their views will be particularly welcome, but everybody is encouraged to give their thoughts. If this meeting is successful, we'll do it again some time.

Cardiff Frame Co will be coming on this evening with a selection of bargain frames.

Christmas Social Evening, 5th December

I hope you will all support this year's Christmas Social, where we will have festive food with wine or soft drinks, with Christmas music, a Christmas quiz and a Christmas art competition.

New Watercolour Course

Paul Arnott will be starting a new weekly watercolour course on 1st November in the front hall at the Heath Centre from 10 am to 12.30. It will cost £10 per session. Please contact Paul if you are interested.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting.

Ian Philpot
Chairman, South Wales Art Society