



Coventry and Warwickshire Society of Artists

Brushstrokes Bulletin

Editor - Cliff Vince

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Hi, welcome to the final Brushstrokes of the year. The festivities of Christmas are nearly here! Still a bit more Christmas shopping to do? If you're asking me that question, then definitely. I'm the person on Christmas Eve looking for those final pressies. My family think I'm mad, but I enjoy it!

I won't go on too much about next year in this edition, but with the Coventry Open submissions happening in early January, this will need planning over the Christmas break. I know I will be putting in at least one piece in, but 2023 looks like it's going to be a busy one!

Later in this edition is my review of the November Open day at the Burngate stone carving centre, which turned out to be a lovely day and I've just finished the piece that I started then. Cliff

CWSA Christmas Message from our Chair

Every member of the CWSA Committee joins me in wishing you all a happy Christmas and a healthy, peaceful 2023. Another interesting year with a completely different set of challenges! Our exhibition spaces went well with several sales and over the year we have enjoyed a variety of interesting meetings at a number of different venues too. Many thanks to those of you who suggested ideas for next year's programme which we will be outlining at our first meeting of the year, our Fish and Chip Lunch on Saturday 14th January – I do hope to see many of you there. **Susan**



Committee members left to right: Cliff Vince, Virginia Murphy, Janioe Everton, Sue MacGregor, Uthaya Swboda.,

Moyra Gibbs, Anna Poynter, Paul Chokran, Sue Clifford, Susan Moore. (Tina Watkins not on the photo).

ALSO, A BIG WELCOME to our new Members who joined us during 2022:

Roger Chamley, John Frith, Pat McHale, Jean Sadler, Mary Thomas, Martin Woodley, Rosie Perry.

Update on the Rotary Exhibition and Current



Rotary Exhibition – Holiday Inn, Kenilworth

CWSA artists joined together to prepare a combined display, helping to raise money for Charities, at the Rotary Exhibition, Kenilworth, in November 2022. On the left is our Chair, Susan, showing off her wonderful paintings.

Talisman Theatre awaiting an update.

<https://talismantheatre.co.uk/> The Talisman Theatre will be closed for the rest of this year, so planned exhibitions will be on hold. But if you go to the website a number of short plays just hit the YouTube links, many have been added to the 'what's on' link in their website.

CWSA Virtual Exhibition online still running! The link to our CWSA Virtual Exhibition on YouTube is now <https://youtu.be/SwbeemOL-4U> Please click, watch, share and buy!

REVIEW OF CURRENT ART EXHIBITIONS

If you have visited a recent /current art exhibition, please write a short review and send it to our News Editor, Cliff Vince for the next edition of 'Brushstrokes' E.g. Have you visited the Turner Exhibition at the Herbert? What did you think? Email: 313vince@gmail.com

FORTHCOMING CWSA EVENTS

FISH & CHIP LUNCH, Crit and Art Book Swap. Saturday 14th January. 12.30pm. Kenilworth Centre.

£10 for fish & chips, or pie & chips etc. To include tea/coffee and cake to finish; £2.50 if you only want tea/coffee and cake. Please book now. Full details in the 'Email Diary'.

MONDAY PORTRAIT WORKSHOPS. Organised by Susan Moore in her Fillongley Studio. Monday 16th January 1.30 - 3.30 pm. Free to CWSA members. (£8 non-members).

The first session is for beginners to develop a portrait from life or a photograph. The same techniques can also be applied to drawing/painting animals.

PORTRAIT sessions continue - with help for beginners in the breaks. Monday afternoons FORTNIGHTLY, 23rd January to 13th February. Cost approx. £6 per session unless anyone volunteers to model! (£8 non-members).

BOOK NOW with the dates you would like to attend: Full details and Booking Form on Email Diary.

NEEDLEFELTING WITH VIRGINIA MURPHY; SATURDAY morning 28th January, Stoneleigh Village Hall.

This is a fabulous opportunity to try a different art form and create beautiful pictures.

BOOK NOW. £8 to include materials. (£12 non-members). Full details and Booking Form on Email Diary.

EARLSDON WORKSHOPS - TUESDAY EVENINGS. These will continue fortnightly from March 2023.

Each meeting has a topic or maybe a short demonstration by another member. Bring something to work on, while enjoying the company of other artists. More details later.

If you have 'lost' your Email Diary, please email Tina and she will forward you a copy.

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HERBERT ART GALLERY 'CASE' EXHIBITION

Your Chair, Susan Moore, has been in discussion with the Herbert Art Gallery. The exhibition will probably be held in November 2023. More information later when it is confirmed

LOCAL EVENTS - HERBERT ART GALLERY



Coventry Open returns in March 2023

Calling all West Midlands-based artists! From January 2023, the Herbert Art Gallery & Museum will be accepting submissions for its first Coventry Open exhibition since 2020.

Artists who live, work or study in the West Midlands are invited to submit work for consideration by an independent judging panel via our online portal, which will be **open for submissions from 6 January - 13 February**. There is no set theme for the exhibition, and submitting your work is completely FREE and open to artists working in any visual medium, regardless of prior experience.

A £1000 prize is available for one winning entry chosen by the judges. An additional £500 prize will be awarded to the "people's choice", selected via a public voting system. Artists featured in the exhibition will also have the chance to sell their work at the gallery, commission-free.

For the first time this year, the Herbert will also be hosting a **Young People's Coventry Open**, offering young artists aged 15-18 a chance to exhibit their work in a professional gallery setting.



Following a successful pilot earlier this year, **The City is Full of Noises** returns to the Herbert in 2023 with a month-long festival of electronic music in March 2023, celebrating the legacy of pioneering Coventry composer Delia Derbyshire.

The festival will culminate in a weekend of workshops, networking and concert performances on 25 and 26 March. Visitors will also be able to browse and purchase equipment from a "Makers Marketplace".

Traders interested in booking a stall at the market can email cfon@cvlife.co.uk to enquire

LIFE AND WORK OF FRIDA KAHLO AT THE TELEGRAPH HOTEL



FRI 25 NOV 2022 TO SUN 29 JAN 2023

THE REEL STORE TELEGRAPH HOTEL, UPPER WELL STREET,
COVENTRY CV1 1GU

Duration: The experience runs on a loop throughout the day and you can enter at your booked time slot. There may be a short wait before you enter the exhibition.

PRICES FROM £10 **BOOK TICKETS**

ARTY WARWICKSHIRE EVENTS



Saturday 14th January 1400 – 1600. Art with Coffee. Temperance 33 Bath St, Leamington Spa. Continuing the success of the event, we will continue to host it every other Saturday. The format is simple, come join us with a sketch book and order a coffee (since the cafe hosts for free)...[Read more on Meetup](#)

LSA art room on Monday 23rd January 19:00 – 21:00 Pet Portrait Workshop. 5 Satchwell place, Leamington Spa. We are pleased to announce we will be hosting Pet Portrait Workshops with the talented Lucy Burton starting Monday 23rd January 2023 7pm -9pm at the LSA Art Room! This course is suitable for...[Read more on AllEvents.in](#)



The Kenilworth Centre, Wednesday 18th January 18:30 Car Park, Abbey End, Kenilworth. Arts and Wellbeing. Tickets are now available for Arts and Wellbeing at The Kenilworth Centre, Abbey End Car Park on Wed 18 Jan 2023 at 6:30PM. Click the link for further information and to secure your tickets now!
[Read more on TicketSource](#)

Art Workshops with Emma Gluyas Saturday 28th January 10:00 Bulkington Village Community and Conference Centre, School Road, Bulkington Bedworth. All materials are provided. To book visit my web site www.emmagluyas.com/book-online where you can pay by using your card or PayPal, alternatively you can book over the phone, just message me or email...[Read more on AllEvents.in](#)

2023 Art Workshops with Emma Gluyas



November Open Day at Burngate Stone Carving Centre in Swanage



The open day consisted of organised training over two sessions in the morning and afternoon. There were 4 stone carvers invited to show what was possible when carving stone sculptures.

There were around 50+ visitors that attended the open day at Burngate centre. I exhibited a selection of my small sculptures.



This is the finished piece that I started on that day. It is a nice piece of pink Alabaster, which pleasantly had internal structure that really enhanced the piece.

With stone sculptures there will always be surprises fortunately this time it's positive. Usually, its negative with inclusions or breaks.

SILK PAINTING - SUSAN MOORE

Left to right: Uthaya, Margaret, Janice, Moyra and Nila.



On Saturday, 3rd December Susan held a Silk Painting workshop/card making in her Fillongley studio.

Painting on silk is fun, and the colours are wonderful. It's a different technique to water colours.

First you draw a gutta (block) design, then dib your paint in the shapes, combining colours as you go. You let the colours move within the design you have drawn.



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