

Art Palette – 15th June

Paint your holidays

I know many of you like to include your own original artwork amongst the entries to the exhibition in November; why not paint your holiday? Here is a painting by the pastels class.



Pastels Master Class

We had some great feedback from students who took the recent pastels master class, here are some examples of their work:



Reading Room exhibition

June's Artist: Cristina Fowler

I grew up in Cornwall and have always had a love of the sea and nature. I studied languages at Southampton University and only started painting professionally at 45.

I studied portrait and life drawing at Battersea and Manresa House. I have travelled extensively in Greece, Turkey, Spain, Italy and India, which has informed my painting. I spent many years painting on the Isles of Scilly and exhibiting at the Sue Lewington Gallery.



I have had exhibitions at the Edith Grove Gallery, Chelsea Art Society, Ropner Gallery, Orangerie Holland Park, Hicks Gallery and the Royal College of Art. I work in oils, acrylic, pastel and watercolour.

Book now for Autumn Art Classes



Student artwork from the summer term

You can now book to join an Autumn Art Class which will run for 10 weeks starting on Monday 18th September. Classes take place in the Art Studio and are led by our experienced tutors Kathy Barker and Shaun Carey. We're running our full range of classes – see details below.

Autumn 2023 Art Classes Timetable

Full details of the classes timetable and charges are as follows:

Discovering Watercolour with Shaun Carey

Mondays 10 am – 1pm, 18th September – 27th November
Tuesdays 2 – 5pm, 19th September – 28th November
£176 for 10 sessions

Watercolour, pen, ink and mixed media with Shaun Carey

Mondays 2 – 5pm, 18th September – 27th November
£176 for 10 sessions

Pastels with Kathy Barker

Tuesdays 10 am – 1 pm, 19th September – 28th November
£176 for 10 sessions

Life Drawing with Kathy Barker

Wednesdays 10 am – 1 pm, 20th September – 29th November
£220 for 10 sessions including live model

Beginners and Improvers Drawing and Painting with Kathy Barker

Wednesdays 2 – 5 pm, 20th September – 29th November

£176 for 10 sessions including live model for one class

Painting in Acrylics with Kathy Barker

Fridays 10 am – 1 pm, 22nd September – 30th November

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£176 for 10 sessions

All classes will break for half term for the week of 23rd – 27th October.

Classes are only available to Art Group Members. For those joining Autumn classes the cost for Art Group Membership the remainder of the year is £10, reverting to £20 for 2024.

To book your class, simply visit Reception or call them on 020 8480 4200 (option 4). When booking, please let Reception know whether, or not, you are already an Art Group Member – see above.

Booking closes on Wednesday 13th September.

Save the dates

I hope you all have an enjoyable and creative summer break. Those artists amongst you should start thinking about and preparing their entries for the exhibition.

Here are the autumn dates for your diaries:

- Autumn term of art classes start on 18th September – bookings are now open – see below.
- Autumn art lecture 19th September 'Dazzling Dufy: invitation to a luminous feast with Raoul Dufy'.
- Forms to enter the exhibition should be handed in by 23rd October.
- Artwork should be brought in on Sunday 12th November.
- Exhibition runs from 12th – 26th November.
- Annual dinner and exhibition preview on Tuesday 14th November.

Richard Ramsey, Art Group Chairman