



May Editorial

Welcome to the first of, hopefully many, CWSA Bulletins. The Bulletins are designed to be short and sassy information sheets which will be sent to you every month giving you very up to date details of what is happening locally and within the CWSA. This does not replace the CWSA Newsletter which Cliff will still edit and distribute but will be issued alongside them, not instead of. We would like your ideas for a shot snappy title – Brushstrokes is a working title at the moment, we thought of ArtsNMarks, CWSA Canvas, but I'm sure you have more creative ideas!! We hope you will enjoy our new artistic endeavour and as usual, if you have any art item you would like others to hear about, please contact us, details below. Tina and Jacqui

A New President – New Horizons for the CWSA



Nancy Upshall: After a long and fruitful service, Jane Powell has resigned from her post as President of the CWSA. Jane has served the CWSA for several years in different posts within the Committee and she was the President who led the Society through a very successful centenary year. Thank you, Jane, for all the hard work you put in over the years, guiding the CWSA to be one of the leading Art Societies in the region.

I am happy to say that the vacancy Jane's departure created has now been filled. Nancy Upshall has accepted the post of President. Nancy is one of the longest serving members of the CWSA and up to recently, one of the Vice-presidents. She is a professional artist who has always involved herself in the affairs of the CWSA, attending many AGMs, holding workshops for the Society's members and always happy to help with critiques both on a personal level and in group events.

So, as we salute the departing President, Jane Powell, we welcome the arrival of the new one, Nancy Upshall. We look forward to having Nancy as President of the CWSA for many years to come, welcoming her input in Committee meetings and having her presiding over the more formal events in which the CWSA will be involved. *A new horizon for the CWSA.* Edith Whatling (Chair)

Call for Entries – CWSA Annual

Our 106th Annual Art Exhibition will be held at East Lodge Gallery, Jephson Gardens, Willes Road, Leamington Spa, CV32 4ER from **Wednesday 30th May to Sunday 10th June 2018, opening hours: Wednesday – Sunday, 10am – 5pm.** The Ralph Brassett Trophy and the Richard Gill Silver Salver will be awarded at the opening. We also hope to have a President's Award up for grabs so please do try to produce some new and innovative art work. Forms have already been sent out so please send them together with your submission fees to the Exhibition Secretary, Jacqui Smithson **by 16th May 2018.**

General Data Protection Regulations

You will have already received the CWSA data management policy about GDPR by email and will shortly be receiving your posted forms to fill in and send back using the SAE provided. Please do make sure you **send these back before 25th May** as if you do not respond, we will legally have to remove your details from any CWSA held files and will be unable to communicate to you after that date.

CWSA Exhibitions

Edith Whatling: Her solo Art Exhibition runs from 4th April to 29th April 10.00am to 4.00pm. This is being held at East Lodge and whilst the weather hasn't helped footfall, Edith has sold well and had a wonderful write up in the local paper with the headline **LEAMINGTON STUDIO ARTISTS BLESSED HOSTING NEW EXHIBITION OF FINE ARTWORK BY COVENTRY ARTIST EDITH WHATLING** In a private ceremony with family and close friends before the show opened, Father Harry Curtis from Saint Joseph's Coventry gave thanks for the beautiful works. He then blessed the Exhibition.





Janet Cheary

Janet Cheary has a solo exhibition at The Loft Theatre, Leamington Spa. From 2nd-12th May, Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday 7pm –10.30pm. Sunday 4pm-7.30pm

Warwickshire Open Studios is looming so Jacqui will prepare a write up for the next bulletin.

Our latest and greatest new **exhibition at the Talisman Theatre in Kenilworth** went up on 5th April. It has proved to be very popular with the Talisman members who all gave lovely feedback about the work. Thanks go to everyone who helped out.



Last Month's events

Jan Gay demonstration. After a difficult start due to a double booking, Uthaya managed to save the day by transferring the event to St Joseph's Church Hall in Coventry with only 15 minutes delay. Thankfully Jan was brilliant about it all and everyone had a really amazing workshop with participants saying how much they enjoyed it. Jan sent an email later saying that she had already been contacted by some participants.



All in all, it was a great day with 15 attendees. Jan was an inspirational tutor who let us all have a great amount of freedom and gave excellent and positive advice.

Facebook?

Did you know that the CWSA has a Facebook page with 60 members? All the news and event information are listed there as well as the usual website. If you're on Facebook and not yet a member, do join us.

CWSA Future Events

We have two new intrepid Joint Event Organisers voted in at the AGM, **Paul Chokran** and **Janice Everton** who have taken on the task of sourcing interesting and innovative workshops and demonstrations for you to enjoy. As they have only been in this role a few weeks, they are still in the planning stages and as soon as they have a programme together we will publish it for all to see!

Warwickshire Art - is your artwork on show?

May at Compton Verney Art in the Afternoon-discover your inner Artist. First Wednesday of the month, 2pm-4pm. 17th March-10th June 'Created in Conflict': British Soldier Art from the Crimean War to today.

Herbert Art Gallery New Art West Midlands until 13th May, celebrating and showcasing extraordinary works from some of the region's most exciting emerging artists.

Mead Gallery is one of the largest and most beautiful purpose-built contemporary art galleries in the UK and presents a highly regarded programme of international contemporary art. 1st May-21st June they are pleased to present *John Piper, A Tate Liverpool Exhibition*.

Art at the Gallery The Gallery Kenilworth is delighted to present curated works by Kenilworth artist, Ella Stardust (aka Toni Peach). This show features recycled and sustainable Collage art and Chine-collé. Open during Gallery hours. Tues-Sat until 16th June.

LSA ArtsFair LSA are delighted to have the opportunity to hold a regular art fair alongside the Leamington Farmers' Market on the fourth Saturday of each month. This will take place in the Pump Room Gardens.

Let us know if you are exhibiting your work – our members can be inspired by your art

What's on – Talisman Theatre

!2th May 7.30 – **Their Finest**. *"This World War II drama sparkles with wit, grace, and surprising humour."* programme of events <http://www.talismantheatre.co.uk/future.html>

14th – 19th May – **Stones in his Pockets**. *"Fascinating, moving & hilarious."* – Independent For the latest information visit <http://www.talismantheatre.co.uk#>

Local Art and Craft Classes

Susan Moore, Art Classes and Workshops Tel 07745 144 922 www.susan-moore.co.uk

Tanya Kozin, Art Classes and Workshops mail: Tatiana.kozin@gmail.com www.tanyakozin.com

Jacqui Smithson Felting Workshops Jacqui.a.smithson@gmail.com or call on 07958 516371.

For the latest information visit: <http://www.covwarsocart.co.uk>

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