



HASLEMERE ART SOCIETY

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Welcome to our Newsletter with some updates on activities of the Society, in particular a short review of our recent Exhibition.

First of all many thanks to our President Roger Dellar ROI RI PS for leading the Painting in Town morning on August 28th. Also thanks to several members who bravely joined him on the High Street and some who decided to paint in the Museum garden.

Congratulations to Roger for winning the British Contemporary Award and the Artist Award in the Artist Magazine TALP Competition, plus having his oil painting "Downs Boat yard Maldon" featuring in the Royal Society of Marine Artists Exhibition at the Mall Galleries.



Roger Dellar



David Pattenden



Barbara Murray

September Exhibition

In view of uncertain Covid situation the Exhibition was scaled down to exhibits in the Haslemere Room only with a limit of two items per artist. 38 Members contributed a great variety of work in various mediums, style and size.

Much admired were several contemporary paintings in new techniques and the Favourite item chosen by visitors is, well deserved, "Waggoners Wells Walk" by Exhibition Officer Rachel Vitolo.

The other paintings in the top 6 favourite are: Ronan Walsh, "Melita", Claudia Malitzki-Hastie "Early morning Frensham Pond", Jane Larkin "After the rain, Blackdown", Anna Austin "Windy Day at the Shimmerings" and Liz Crawford "Golden Explosion".

The Museum staff was very pleased to choose their favourite painting “The Whisper of Trees” by Yeside Linney for the Allan Thomson Award. They write: “This had interest both as a traditional work of art, but enhanced with the unusual (resin?) glossy finish...really interesting.”



Waggoners Wells Walk
Rachel Vitolo



The Whisper of Trees
Yeside Linney

In total 13 works were sold, although 2 items were not paid for or collected, but the mystery buyer and the whole transaction provided much amusement for the steward and museum staff so that made up for it!

On one of the Exhibition days Roger gave a demonstration in portrait painting and persuaded Ken Harker to be his model. As a result Maggie and Ken Harker are now the proud owners of Ken's wonderful portrait.



Demonstrations and Workshops

Sheila is working on a selection of Zoom demonstrations for the next few months and interesting workshops in the museum. Many members replied to her questionnaire and Sheila is trying to make the choice of demonstrations as varied as possible.

The first of the Zoom lectures was on September 30th with an interesting talk by the curator of the Pallant Galleries in Chichester about artist Ben Nicholson and his work.

On October 14th artist Peter Keegan will give a demonstration at 7pm on Zoom “Figures in motion” In oils. More about Peter can be found on his website.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please support your HAS and join us on Thursday October 21st 7-9 pm at the Museum.

Our last AGM was in June 2019 and we are looking forward to seeing as many members as possible. It is an important date in the calendar of the Society where members have the opportunity to be involved in discussions about the future of the Society.



We are delighted that at the start of the evening, whilst members can enjoy a glass of wine before the formalities of the Meeting, **Sonya Vine** will be joining us and give a short demonstration on how she paints her little beach acrylics, particularly about painting light when starting on black paper.

This year the President’s Prize, usually awarded during the AGM will be chosen at the **Christmas Party, planned for December 8th. Subject: “ Times are Changing”**, quite appropriate after two years of unforeseen events that perhaps make us see life in a different perspective?

Our next Newsletter plus more information on demonstrations and workshops will be sent out in December. In the meantime we will keep you up to date with email reminders of various events.

With best wishes from the HAS Committee and we are looking forward to welcoming you at the AGM,

Kaja van Walt
Chairman



Annual Exhibition, September 2021

