

Hartlepool Art Club Newsletter 1st July 2024

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Club Meeting: Wednesday 10th July 2024

Hartlepool Art Gallery, Christ Church, Church Square, Hartlepool, 7.00pm – 9.00pm (doors open 6.40pm)

This should be fun! Our own **Keith Robson** will demonstrate how to use coffee as a medium to create art and, for those wishing to do so, there will be an opportunity to try it out (all materials provided). Keith was previously an illustrator for DC Thomson, of Dandy and Beano fame and now teaches art to various groups in the town, including the Art Club's Dabble in Art class. You can find examples of Keith's art on his Facebook page and Instagram @krobsonart.

Members £3, guests £6. If you need further information, please contact Liz Littlefair on 07774 624350

Next month's Club Meeting

Angela Thomas, Art Gallery Curator, from Hartlepool Borough Council will be walking us through the very prestigious exhibition in the Gallery currently on loan from the British Museum.

Golden Lion changeover: Wednesday 7th August 2024

The next changeover at The Golden Lion Inn, Dunston Road, Hartlepool, TS26 0EN, will be on Wednesday 7th August, from 10.00 to 11.00am.

Just turn up with your painting. We currently have 28 hanging spaces available to us and we give priority to members exhibiting for the first time. All work exhibited should be available for sale, so should be

adequately framed and corded for hanging. Art Club cards should be used to describe the painting. A supply will be available at the changeover. Golden Lion commission on sales is 10% and the Club also takes 10%.

Patchings Art Festival: Thursday 11th - Saturday 13th July 2024

The annual art festival at Patchings Art Centre near Nottingham is the largest outdoor art festival in the country. Marquees full of craft stalls, artwork and every piece of equipment an artist might need, run alongside demonstrations by well-known artists. There are usually jazz musicians (and I think there's a choir this year) and plenty of places to eat, whether formally or informally. If you are interested in attending, by car-share, please contact Brian Nunn on 07803 609760. Arrangements will depend on how many are interested.

Staithes Festival, Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th September 2024

We are gathering names for the annual trip to Staithes Festival of Arts & Heritage (Unfortunately Brian & Hayley wont be able to make it this year but happy to plan a mini bus if numbers allow or members can group together in own vehicles). It's a great day out with Arts and Music in the streets, take a picnic or book for a reserved table in one of the many pubs for lunch. If you are interested in attending, please contact Brian Nunn on 07803 609760.

Regular activity:

Art Club Painting Group

Painting days are held on the second Saturday of every month. This month it's Saturday 13th July. Sessions are held at the Salvation Army Community Hall in Park Road Hartlepool TS26 9HT between 10am and 2pm. Beverages are available and you may bring a packed lunch if you wish. We have use of the private car park, although it is only about 400 yards from York Road bus stops. There is a £4 per head contribution, to help pay for the accommodation and non-members are welcome. Please note that there is no tutor at most sessions, although we do sometimes hold workshops with renowned artists, when a higher contribution is payable, towards their fees. You will need to bring your own materials, although there is a limited stock of paints, pencils and paper, for people who fancy trying different media and help is willingly given by other members. It is a lively, friendly group and you can decide how long you care to stay.

If you would like further information email info@hartlepool-art-club.co.uk or ring / text Alan Turnbull on **07866 551460**

Dabble in Art

Every other Saturday, every month, 10.00am – 12.00 noon at Hartlepool Art Gallery. The next session is 6th July. For further information please contact the Gallery Information desk on 01429 869706 or Keith Robson on 07824971666. Organised and run by members of the Club with help from parents and grandparents, Dabble provides children of all ages with the opportunity to take part in exciting art activities in various media. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the session.

Drink & Draw at The Blacksmith's Arms

Held every Tuesday evening, 7 – 9pm in this popular and very old Hartlepool pub. All are welcome. Contact Keith on **07824971666** for more details. Volunteers to sit as models are always needed!

Other notes:

Newsletter News!

Lots of you responded favourably to the example of a potential new-style newsletter, sent out last month. The Committee is now looking at how this might be edited and produced on a regular, possibly quarterly, basis, with brief monthly reminders to ensure we still all know what is going on! Until this can be organised, the newsletter will continue as before. Watch this space!

<u>Touring Exhibition at Hartlepool Art Gallery, 18th May – 24th</u> August 2024

Don't forget to visit the touring exhibition 'Drawing Attention: Emerging Artists in Dialogue', which Hartlepool Art Gallery is privileged to be holding as one of only three venues in the country. The exhibition presents some of the most compelling and talented artists working in contemporary drawing, displayed alongside highlights from the British Museum prints and drawings collection.

<u>Turner: Art, Industry and Nostalgia at The Laing Art Gallery,</u> <u>Newcastle, until 7th September</u>

Turner's *The Fighting Temeraire* (1839), on loan from the National Gallery, is the centrepiece of this exhibition, which explores the rise of steam power and industry in Britain. This is of particular relevance to the North East, with ship building still very much part of the identity of the region. The Laing Art Gallery is one of twelve partners to be loaned a masterpiece in celebration of the 200th birthday of the National Gallery, with all partners having opened their exhibitions on 10 May 2024 – the Gallery's official bicentenary.

Turner: Art, Industry & Nostalgia will include over 20 works by JMW Turner (1775-1851), one of Britain's greatest and most prolific painters. The Fighting Temeraire, one of the artist's best-known works, shows the final journey of the ship as it is towed along the river Thames by a modern paddle-wheel steam tug in 1838, towards its final berth in Rotherhithe to be broken up for scrap. It is significant for the North East and its industrial heritage that the two steam tugboats that pulled the Temeraire in reality – the Samson and the London – were manufactured on Tyneside.

If you know of an exhibition or art-related event which might be of interest to other members, it can be included in the newsletter or circulated separately. Send details to the email address below.

Best wishes

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