



# Christmas Greetings



## Letter From the President

I hope you managed to visit our Autumn Art Exhibition at the Town Hall. This time the exhibition period was reduced from 14 days to 10 days to reduce hire costs.

We had 182 entries and attracted over 500 hundred visitors over the ten day period of the exhibition. For the first time all the entries were accepted by the external selection panel, which reflected the high standard of work submitted.

Our official guest to open the Exhibition was the new Major of Sutton Coldfield, Councillor Charlotte Hodivala. When presenting the awards she commented on the beautiful and original art work on display and said that the Society had become an integral part of our cultural heritage in Royal Sutton Coldfield and wished us well as we approached our 70th year.

It was a good turnout for the AGM which was followed by a display of members work and a buffet. The latest changes to the Committee were announced and the Committee were re-elected to run for another year.

Francella Jean was elected to take on



the role as Programme Secretary from Rachel David, who will become Outings & Social Secretary. Deborah Hodgson has taken on the role as Treasurer and Sam Revill has returned to take on Exhibitions. Petra Rohr-Rouendaal becomes Publicity Secretary and Joan Cox moves to a General Secretary role from Treasurer. Once again an appeal was made to members to join the committee and keep the Society running. So if you feel you could help out please let me know.

**Membership fees** are now due (still excellent value at £25), so please send your cheque to our Membership Secretary Wing Lien .

Wishing you and your family a very happy Christmas and creative New Year for 2017.

Geoff Stubbins

## PUBLIC VOTE

At the Autumn Exhibition the most public votes went to Brian Garbett's watercolour painting entitled 'Puffer' on the Clyde, Glasgow' shown below.



'Puffer' on the Clyde

Close behind in the public voting was J D Truman for the oil painting entitled 'Chilly Ullswater' and Mathé Shephard for her watercolour of 'Seashore at low tide'.

Well done to Brian, who will receive a Public Vote Certificate and thanks to everyone who voted.

Please send your articles, letters and comments for the Newsletter to the Editor : [geoff.stubbins@btinternet.com](mailto:geoff.stubbins@btinternet.com)

## AUTUMN EXHIBITION 2015 AWARD WINNERS

- 1) Ada Wilkinson award for Best Painting any medium went to Denis Harper for Cadair Idris.
- 2) Artifex Award for Best Landscape went to Judith Truman for Winter Dawn - Sutton Park.
- 3) Doris Jackson Award for Best watercolour went to Bob Pagett for Brindley Place
- 4) The Silver Salver Award for best portrait went to Keith Ripley for Malcolm in Biker Gear.
- 5) Madge Oliver Award for the Best Pastel went to Deborah Hodgson for Water Lilies, Blackroot Pool.

6) The Jean & Bob Dressler Award for Best Mixed Media Artwork went to Carolyn Bradburn for Cormorants.

The selection panel for the exhibition comprised of awards judge David White RBSA, a professional artist and teacher, supported by Lichfield artist Mary Griffin and our own SCSA member Carolyn Bradburn .

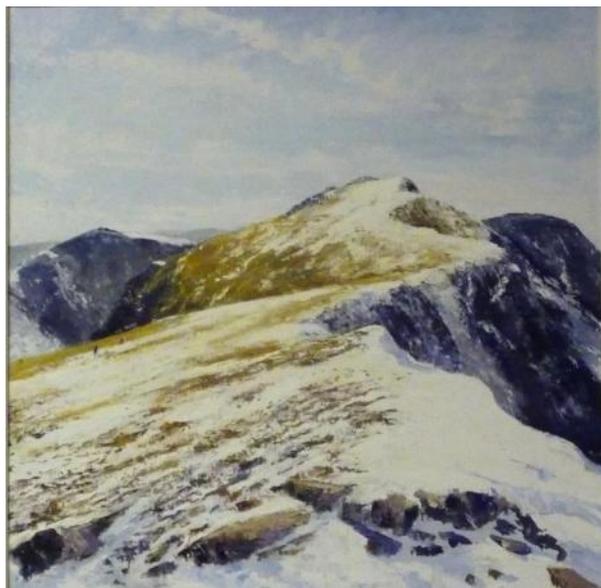
**REMEMBER** - These award winning pictures can be seen on the our Society Website:

[www.suttoncoldfieldsocietyofartists.co.uk](http://www.suttoncoldfieldsocietyofartists.co.uk)  
Just go to the exhibitions page which also shows past exhibition winners. **Please note** the website is being redesigned and may not be updated for a few weeks.

# Autumn Exhibition 2016

Thanks to the exhibition organisers and everyone who helped set up the exhibition at the Town Hall on Submission Day. The exhibition came together in record time thanks to all the willing hands.

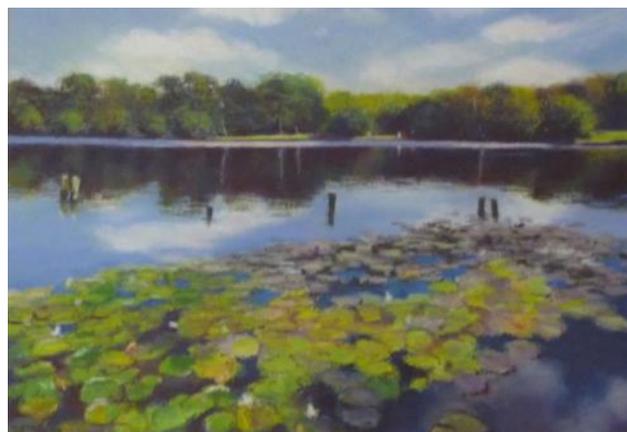
Despite a reduction in submissions this time it was still a busy time for the receiving desk with 120 framed pictures, 37 un-framed pictures and 25 3D works submitted to the exhibition. The Award winning paintings are shown on this page.



**Best Art Work 'Cadair Idris 2927' Oil  
by Denis Harper**



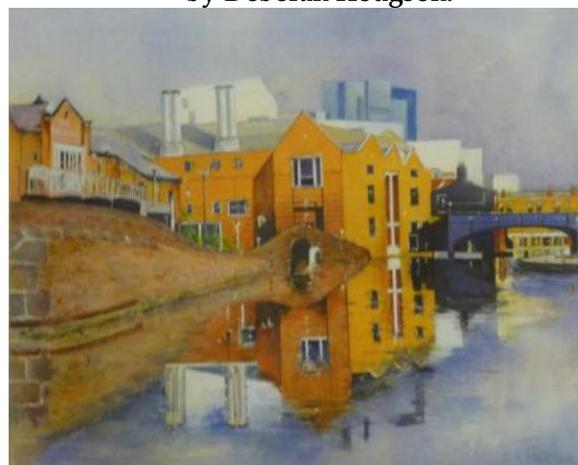
**The Best Portrait Award went to Keith Ripley for  
'Biker Gear'.**



**The Best Pastel 'Water Lilies, Blackroot Pool'  
by Deborah Hodgson.**



**Best Landscape 'Winter Dawn - Sutton Park'  
by Judith Truman .**



**The Best Watercolour 'Brindley  
Place' by Bob Pagett .**



**Mixed Media Award 'Commorants'  
by Carolyn Bradburn. .**

# AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Our official guest for our Preview evening was Councillor Charlotte Hodivala, the Mayor of Royal Sutton Coldfield. In addressing those present at the preview she complimented the Society on the Exhibition and said she was very impressed by all the artists for producing such high-quality work. She was pleased to be asked to present the awards and to formally open the exhibition to the public.



**Jenny Stevenson receives a Highly Commended in the Pastel Awards for Three Pears**



**Deborah Hodgson receives the Madge Oliver Award for Best Pastel.**



**Sylvia Taylor receives a Highly Commended in the Water Colour Awards.**



**Bob Pagett picks up the Doris Jackson Award for Best Watercolour.**



**Keith Ripley receives the Silver Salver Award for Best Portrait.**



**Dan Grew receives a Highly Commended in the Portrait Awards.**

## Autumn Exhibition Awards Cont.



Left: 'Fatou' by  
Susheela Curtis  
Highly Commended.



Far Left: 'I do like to be  
beside the seaside' by  
Keith Wilkins

Below: 'Getting Ready'  
by Dan Grew



'Beer Beach in August' by Christine Taylor



'Sea Mist' by Helen Willis



'Three Pears' Pastel by Jenny Stevenson



'Jacqui's Window' by Sylvia Taylor

### SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE

It's time to renew your subscription to the Art Society so please send your cheque for £25, made payable to the SCSA, to our Membership Secretary Wing Lien 7 Kingsleigh Croft, Sutton Coldfield, B75 5TL. Thank you.

### Looking for somewhere to paint?

Why not join a small group of artists that meet together at The Streetly School on a Wednesday night from 7.30 to 9.30 pm, to paint and give each other help and encouragement.

For more details ring Geoff Stubbins on 0121 323 2694 .