

Public Vote



Summer Sun

As you know we encourage visitors to vote for their favourite painting or Art work. At the Spring Exhibition the public voting was very close but the most votes went to a painting entitled 'Summer Sun' (Wells-next-the-sea) a watercolour by Brian Garbett.

Judith Truman's painting of 'Englands most beautiful valley' was a very close second.

Pat Ryan's painting of 'Bewdley Market' also attracted many votes.

Well done Brian and thanks to everyone who voted for their favourite picture for which the Artist will receive a Public vote Award Certificate.

Letter From the President

I hope you managed to find time to take part or visit our Spring Exhibition at the Town Hall.

The Exhibition was formally opened by the Sutton Town Mayor Councillor Derrick Griffin who praised the Society for the quality of art work on display, before presenting the Awards to the award winning artists.

The exhibition offered an interesting mix of art and the Awards Judge, Ian Fletcher a professional artist, had the difficult job of judging the art work on display.

We also tried out a different exhibition layout to try and improve the use of the natural light in the Bedford suite, which was generally well received by visitors and members.

In addition to our annual Spring Exhibition, your Society has organised a successful Art Fayre over the May Spring Bank holiday at Curborough Hall and



Countryside Centre, which was extremely well attended.

Also we were very fortunate to be asked by the Town Hall Trust to put on an Exhibition of our work alongside the internationally acclaimed miniature artist Willard Wigan throughout April.

All these short notice events and more, were covered on Facebook.

We have arranged a coach trip to Patching's Art Festival on 12th July, which is a great outing, so please support it along with our 'Summer Sketching days' programme which has been put together by Chris Bowden.

So remember to diary the dates and join fellow members for a great day out painting en-plein air.

Be creative....

Geoff Stubbins

SPRING EXHIBITION AWARDS

This year as last there was no selection panel and all the submitted work was exhibited. The Award Judge, Ian Fletcher, a local professional artist recommended by Petra, had the difficult task of deciding on the awards.

The awards are as follows: -

1. The Ratcliffe Award for Best Painting went to Chris Holloway for 'King George V'.
2. The Mavis Mottram Award for the Best Landscape went to David Robinson for 'Buttermere and Fleetwith Pike'.

3. The Ashwood Veterinary Clinic Award for the Best Animal Painting went to Janet Hunt for 'Young Fox'.

4. The Turner-Hilton Award for the Best Textile went to Margaret Fairhead for 'Old Town Bridge at Rye'.

5. The Vesey Art & Crafts Award for Best Flora Painting went to Susan Bates for 'Purple Moth Orchid'.

6. The Emily Smith Award for the Best Watercolour Painting went to Alan Hunt for 'SCSA Painting Day No 2'.

7. SCSA Award for best 3D exhibit went to Helen Willis for pottery vase entitled 'Tuliband'.

Remember that you can view the award winning art work on our website:

suttoncoldfieldsocietyofartists.co.uk

SPRING EXHIBITION.

At our Private Preview our official guest was the Town Mayor Derrick Griffin, who presented the awards to the winning artists and declared the exhibition open.

Chris Holloway was thrilled to receive the Ratcliffe award for Best Painting for his detailed depiction of 'King George V.



Chris Holloway received the Award for Best Painting 'King George V at Old Oak Common'



Best Floral painting award went to Susan Bates for 'Purple Moth Orchid'



Alan Hunt receives the Best Watercolour Award for 'SCSA Painting day No2' shown below.



Margaret Fairhead receives the Turner Hilton Award for Best Textile entitled 'Old Town Bridge at Rye' shown adjacent.





David Robinson receives a Best Landscape Award for his painting entitled 'Buttermere and Fleetwith Pike'.



Best Animal Portrait Award is presented to Janet Hunt for 'Young Fox'.



Fran Jean receives a highly commended award for 'One of the Pride' shown adjacent.



Helen Willis received Best 3D Award for her pottery vase 'Tuliband'.



Tony Sawbridge receives a highly Commended Award for his painting 'Boldmere Shaggy Dogs'.



Keith Ripley receives a Highly Commended award for 'Chester in the Rain'.



Anne Clubley's painting of 'Innocence' is given a Judges Highly Commended Award.



Looking for somewhere to paint?

Why not join a small group of artists that meet together at Mere Green Community Centre 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 .

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