

Letter From the President

Christmas Greetings



PUBLIC VOTE

At the Autumn Exhibition the most public votes went to Brian Garbett's painting entitled 'Quayside Reflections, Blakeney' shown below.



"Quayside reflections, Blakeney"

Next in the public voting was Mike Thompson's painting of 'Padstow' followed by Sam Bailey's painting of house 'No 39' and Keith Ripley's 'Selfie'.

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 :

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I hope you found time to visit our Autumn Art Exhibition at the Town Hall. We had 202 entries of which 122 were framed and 80 were 3D and unframed. Thanks to some good publicity in the Observer we attracted around 680 visitors over the ten day period of the exhibition. Our official guest to open the Exhibition was the Town Major of Sutton Coldfield, Councillor David Allan. When presenting the awards he congratulated the Society on the high standard of the original art work on display and said that he was a regular visitor to the Society's Exhibitions. He also thanked us for our support to the town during the Britain in Bloom competition.

It was a good turnout for the AGM, the existing committee were willing to stand again and were duly re-elected for another year. As President I made an appeal to members to promote the Society and encourage new members to join. The meeting was followed by a display of members work from the 'summer painting days out', a brief demonstration on the techniques of portrait painting from Tony Sawbridge and a buffet.



Looking at the year ahead, we have booked the Town Hall for our Spring and Autumn Exhibitions and put together a exciting programme of Saturday Art Demonstrations. Our Christmas lunch will be held at the School House restaurant, Weeford on Saturday 7th December.

Membership fees are now due (still excellent value at £25), so please send your payment by cheque or BACS to our Membership Secretary Wing Lien. We have redesigned and slimmed down the members handbook to comply with data protection and reduce costs.

Wishing you and your family a very happy Christmas and creative New Year for 2020.

Geoff Stubbins

AUTUMN EXHIBITION 2019 AWARD WINNERS

- 1) Ada Wilkinson Award for Best Painting any medium went to Sam Bailey for 'No 39'.
- 2) Mavis Mottram Award for Best Landscape went to Brian Garbett for 'Town Beach St Ives'.
- 3) Doris Jackson Award for Best watercolour went to Keith Ripley for 'Flatford's River Stour'.
- 4) The Silver Salver Award for best portrait went to Wing Lien for 'When She was Little'.
- 5) Madge Oliver Award for the Best Pastel went to Deborah Hodgson for 'Cat Nap'.

6) The Jean & Bob Dressler Award for Best Mixed Media Artwork went to Geoff Stubbins for 'City Impressions'.

7) The SCSA Award for best 3D exhibit went to Petra Rohr-Rouendaal for 'Migrant Boat'.

Thank you to our awards judge Mary Griffin, for the difficult task of deciding on the prize winners.

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

www.suttoncoldfieldsocietyofartists.co.uk

Just go to the exhibitions page which also shows past exhibition winners.

Autumn Exhibition 2019

Thanks to the exhibition organisers and everyone who helped set up the exhibition at the Town Hall on Submission Day. With no selection this time the exhibition came together quickly, thanks to all the willing hands.

The number of submissions were up on last year, with 202 entries including a large number of 3D works submitted. Some of the Award winning paintings are shown on this page.



Best Painting: 'No 39'
watercolour by Sam Bailey.



Best Landscape 'Town Beach'
by Brian Garbett.



The Best Portrait Award went to Wing Lien for 'When She was Little'.



The Best Pastel 'Cat Nap'
by Deborah Hodgson.



Best 3D 'Migrant Boat' by Petra Rohr-Rouendaal.



Mixed Media Award 'City Impressions'
by Geoff Stubbins .



The Best Watercolour 'Flatford's river Stour' by Keith Ripley.

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Our official guest for our Preview morning was the Town Mayor of Royal Sutton Coldfield, Councillor David Allan. In addressing those present at the preview he complimented the Society on the Exhibition and said he was very impressed by all the artists for producing such high-quality work.



Sam Bailey receives the Award for Best Painting in any medium.



Geoff Stubbins receives the Award for Best Mixed Media Artwork.



Brian Garbett receives the Best Landscape Award for 'Town Beach St Ives'.



Wing Lien picks up the Silver Salver Award for Best Portrait.



Keith Ripley receives the Best Watercolour Award for 'Flatford's River Stour'



Petra Rohr-Rouendaal receives the Best 3D Award for 'Zuri'.

Autumn Exhibition Awards Cont.



John Handley receives a Highly Commended Award for 'White Bowl' collection.



'White Bowls'



Pat Pagett and Mathe Shephard receive Highly Commended Awards.



Helen Willis receives a Highly Commended award for her pottery.



Sam Revill receives a Highly Commended Award for 'Storm'.



'Storm' by Sam Revill.



'Roots' by Mathe Shephard

SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE

It's time to renew your subscription to the Art Society so please send your cheque or BACS transfer 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 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 .