

Sutton Coldfield Society of Artists

Newsletter April 2020

Letter From the President

I hope you are managing to keep safe and well during the call to stay at home and finding enough to occupy your time. It remains a worrying time for us all and following the Government guidelines makes our normal social activities with family and friends very difficult. Many of us will be in self imposed isolation and looking to keep ourselves as fit and active as possible in our homes. We are becoming very reliant on technology to keep in touch with others and as I mentioned in the last newsletter, we are fortunate that we all have art as an interest and activity that we can still continue at home.

Last month, to help you pass away the time and be creative, I set a 'Painting Project' as a challenge in the form of a photo taken of Lichfield Cathedral from Minster pool for you to paint.

I am pleased to see that a number of you rose to the challenge and have sent in a photo of your completed painting which I have published in this newsletter.

I have also set another painting project for you to have a go at, details of which are mentioned below.



In the absence of our scheduled Saturday Appraisal I hope you will take advantage of our virtual Appraisal session with Petra. For a friendly critique of any painting that you are unsure about just email an image of your work to petra@wilberworld.net. Petra will do her best to give you the necessary help and/or advice via email or phone.

Our Virtual Spring Art Exhibition is set to go ahead, so please take part in the Exhibition. All you need to do is take a good well lit photo of your work on your camera, smart phone or tablet and email it to our Exhibition Secretary Jean Willis by **Friday the 8th May.** Entries are restricted to one item per member. Please adhere to the guidelines detailed in Jean's earlier Email.

Be creative and stay safe.
Geoff Stubbins

New Painting Project

The second of our 'Painting Projects' for you to have a go at, whilst confined to quarters, is a view of your garden or view from your window.

Once completed, send a photo of your painting (around 300kb) with title and medium used to my email address: geoff.stubbins@btinternet.com. by 20th May.

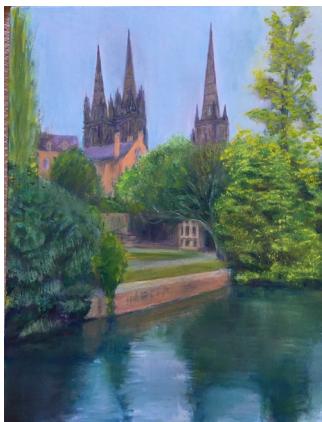
I will publish as many as I can in the next Newsletter.

Happy painting



PAINTING PROJECT

Well done to everyone who had a go at the painting challenge of Lichfield Cathedral, set in last month's newsletter based on the photo shown opposite. Here are some of the great results sent in by our members. It was good to see new members trying their hand and sending in their pictures:



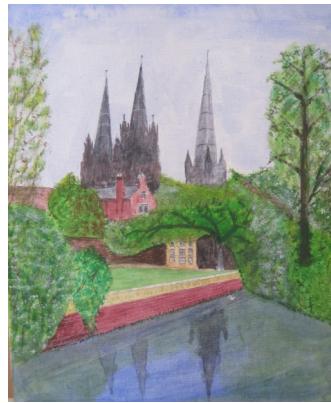
Clive Sayer - Acrylic



Keith Ripley - Watercolour



Carol Kelly - Watercolour



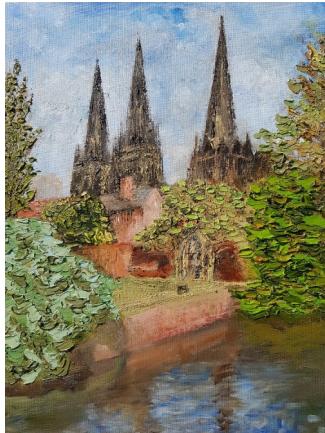
Jim Whorwood - Acrylic



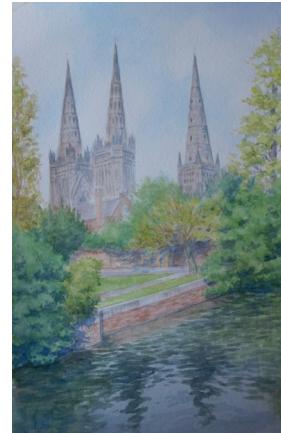
Pat Pagett - Watercolour



Chris Bowden - Acrylic



Sue Bates - Oil



Jean Willis - watercolour



Petra Rohr-Rouendaal - oil,
entitled 'Hope Springs Eternal'.

Virtual Spring Exhibition - Last Call for Entries.

We hope you will take part in our new Virtual Spring Exhibition, all you need to do is take a good photo of your work on your camera, smart phone or tablet and email it to our Exhibition Secretary Jean Willis, jean.willis684@gmail.com by **Friday the 8th May**. Entries are restricted to one item per member. Providing the quality of the photo is suitable, the images will be uploaded to our website which can be viewed by the public as in a normal exhibition. The art work will be judged by an independent artist for the awards in the usual categories.

Full guidelines have been sent to you by Jean Willis in a previous email but if you need help to enter, please contact Jean or any of the committee members who will happily talk you through the process. We look forward to seeing your work on line.