

# Sutton Coldfield Society of Artists Newsletter Sept 2022

## **Letter From the President**

Thank you for your letters and phone calls expressing your appreciation of my time served as SCSA President, following my announcement that I will be standing down at the AGM after 16 years in the role. I will miss being closely involved with the running of the Society but as I said in the last Newsletter, it is time to let go and allow someone with new ideas and a fresh approach to take my place.

I hope you will be able to come to our AGM at 2pm, Saturday 22nd October at Mere Green Community Centre. We will be celebrating our 75th Anniversary with refreshments and a display of art from our Summer Art days out and a look back at the history of the Society. We are also holding a celebratory lunch at the School House, Weeford on Saturday 26th November. If you have not already put your name down there is still time, if you contact the lunch organiser Fran Coleman on 07890 562412.

Our Autumn Exhibition is fast approaching and will be held in the Crush Hall in Sutton

Coldfield Town Hall. Hand in day is Friday 4th November, so if you have not already started it's time to prepare your work for the exhibition. Jean Willis our Exhibition Secretary will be send out the schedules on the 1st October.

This time there will be an additional award category to reflect this years events. Entitled 'A Year to Remember ' it covers the Queens Jubilee, the Commonwealth Games and the Queens funeral. Art work for this category should portray in some aspect the action, mood or emotion of either occasion.

This will be my last letter to you as President so thank you for your support and encouragement during my time on the committee. I hope to see you at the AGM.

Be creative

Geoff Stubbins

#### **AUTUMN EXHIBITION**

There will be no selection panel for the exhibition and all work will be displayed if it meets the standard required. Kara Strachan will be our external awards Judge assisted by Society member Fran Coleman. The awards will be:

- 1) The Ada Wilkinson award for Best Painting in any Medium.
- 2) The Mavis Mottram Award for Best Landscape
- 3) Doris Jackson Award for Best Watercolour.
- 4) The Silver Salver Award for Best Portrait.

- 5) Madge Oliver Award for the Best Pastel.
- 6) The Bob & Jean Dressler Award for Best Mixed Medium.
- 7) SCSA Award for Best 3D Exhibit.
- 8) Presidents Award for 'Year to Remember '

If you are unsure about the standard of work required and would like advice regarding your entry, why not contact our exhibition secretary Jean Willis who will be only too willing to help.

## **NOTICE OF AGM**

This year the Annual General Meeting of the Sutton Coldfield Society of Artists will be held on Saturday 22nd October 2022 at 2.00 pm in the Mere Green Community Centre. The AGM will be kept brief and be followed by a buffet, drinks and display of artwork.

Remember the Society needs your support, so please diary the date and be sure to attend and have your say in its future planning.

## **SATURDAY DEMO**

This month our programme of Saturday Demos resumed after the summer break, with a wildlife demonstration by acclaimed artist Angela Gaughan. She is a member of The Wildlife Art Society International and author of "How to Paint Wildlife in Acrylics" she is also President and founder member of the Tamworth Society of Artists.





#### SUMMER PAINTING DAYS OUT

Good weather continued to bless our summer painting days out with a particularly hot day when we visited Whitacre Heath Tea rooms and a slightly cooler day for our last painting day of the programme when we visited William Wheates Garden Centre. Thanks once again to Chis Bowden for organising the outings.



### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ART GROUP

The Mere Green Art group started back this month at Mere Green Library, so if you are looking for somewhere to paint in the company of others why not come along and give it a try. The group meet every Wednesday night from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

For more information contact Geoff Stubbins 0121 323 2694