

### **JUNE 2023 SCSA NEWSLETTER**

## SCSA General Secretary—Chris Bowden

I am originally from the Border Region of Scotland. I always sketched from a young age and was encouraged by my mother who also painted and was involved in the Arts in our community.

After Art College and Teacher Training in Newcastle, I came to Birmingham and worked mostly in primary schools for thirty-nine years. I joined the Art Society round about 2010 and was encouraged to help out by former member Tink Bough. After joining the committee, I took over as General Secretary from Sam Revill. As well as being General Secretary, I help to find models for the Art Days and organise the Summer Art Days along with many other jobs that come with being on the committee. We are always looking for members who might be able to help, even in a small way, and a big thank you to those who do help on Art Days and Demonstration Days.

The art I like to do is varied, mainly working in watercolour, acrylics and pastels. I enjoy doing portraits and life drawing in charcoal and pastels. Most of all I enjoy experimenting with a mix of different mediums for landscape, floral and other work. I haven't tackled sculpture yet! It is always interesting to see the different and varied work that our member do on Art Days and produce for our exhibitions.



### The winners from the Spring Exhibition 2023

The Radcliffe Award for Best Painting in any medium. - Anya Mansarova "Dream about Yellow"

Highly Commended - Margaret Fairhead

The Mavis Mottram Award for the Best Landscape - Deborah Hodgson "Suffolk Skies"

Highly Commended - Keith Wilkins

The Ashwood Veterinary Clinic Award for Best Animal painting - Keith Ripley "Waiting"

Highly Commended - Alan Hunt

The Turner-Hilton Award for the Best textile - Rachel David "Sunburst 2"

Highly Commended - Carolyn Bradburn

The Vesey Art & Crafts Award for the Best Flora Painting - Fran Jean "Sunny Blooms"

Highly Commended - Joanne Wood

The Emily Smith Award for the Best Watercolour Painting - Teresa Gordon "City Centre Fountain"

Highly Commended - Chris Bowden

The SCSA Award for the Best 3D Exhibit - Petra Röhr-Rouendaal "Sage"

Highly Commended - Wendy Griffiths

The Judge's Choice and Peoples' Choice winner - Dennis Harper "Stainforth, Yorkshire"

**The Judge's Choice** - Linda Lewis "Monster"

#### THE PEOPLES' CHOICE VOTED FOR BY VISITORS TO THE EXHIBITION



Stainforth, Yorkshire by Dennis Harper



"Dream about Yellow" By Anya Mansurova



"Waiting"
By Keith Ripley



"Sunny Blooms" By Fran Jean



"Suffolk Skies" By Deborah Hodgson



"Sunburst 2" By Rachel David



"City Centre Fountain"

By Teresa Gordon





"Sage"
Petra Röhr-Rouendaal

"Monster" by Linda Lewis





### **SETTING UP THE 3D EXHIBITS**





## Fourteen 3D pieces from six SCSA Members

Janet Hunt's wonderful Fairy Castle in the centre was home to a tiny spider during the exhibition. Petra's "Sage" won the best 3D Award and Wendy Griffiths's decorated bone china vase was Highly Commended.

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

The next demonstration at Room 4 in the Methodist Church Centre, South Parade, Sutton Coldfield B72 1RB is by **Steve Woodhams** on Saturday, **10th June**, 1.30—4.00 pm.

The next Practical Art Day, also at the Methodist Church Centre in Sutton Coldfield B72 1RB, is on Saturday **17th June**, 10.00 am—3.30 pm.

Chris Bowden will be keeping you up to date with the information about the Summer Art Days in July and August.

Pencil in the days.

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
July	11th	19th	27th
August	1st	9th	17th

Please note that on 1st August one of our members Tim Griffiths, the organiser of Urban Sketchers, will be taking us on a sketching tour of Sutton Coldfield.



# Welcome

The Sutton Coldfield Art Trail is back this summer. We have a few changes in the artists taking part and a few additional venues. Many different types of art are represented, including painting, ceramics, sculpture, photography, illustration, collage, jewellery and textile art. We hope that, as always, there is something to interest everyone. You will be able to see many of the artists demonstrating their skills, and they will be delighted to talk to you about their work and working methods. We aim to represent the best of art in this area.



24th and 25th June 2023

10am - 4pm





# **Our Venues and Artists**



#### **Mere Green Community Centre** B75 5BT

Kathryn Sawbridge Gill Saviker Una Śmith Pat Pagett





#### 14 Mulroy Road, B74 2PY

Deborah Hodgson John Handley Keith Wilkins Margaret Fairhead Jean Willis Kathryn Morris Julia Green





#### Gracechurch Centre B72 1PH

Geoff Stubbins Chris Bowden Helen Haywood-Willis



#### 12 Somerville Road, B73 6JA

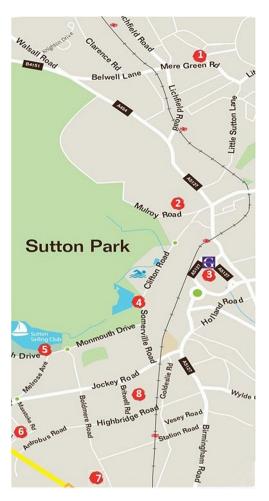
Petra Röhr-Rouendaal Prensnelo Gabrielle Gavin Wendy Griffiths Mike Phelps Norma Banton Anya Mansurova





#### **Sutton Sailing Club,** Monmouth Drive, B73 6JL

James Ware Clare Walcot Fran Vere Clive Sayer Joanne Barker





























#### 17 Haselor Road, B73 5DW

Judy Preston





#### Boldmere Bistro, St. Michael's Road B73 5FU

Pauline Barnes Mathé Shepheard Oli Shepheard Rachel David











#### 71 Britwell Road, B73 5SW

Austin Gannon







There is street parking or parking close by at all the venues and wheelchair access at venues 1, 2, 3, 5, 7.

Anyone who signs in at all the venues will be entered into a draw for a small prize. Most of the venues will have an activity for young people.

Whether you visit some or all of our artists, on foot, by bicycle, car or public transport, we, the artists, are looking forward to meeting you and hope that you will enjoy the weekend.

## www.suttoncoldfieldarttrail.wordpress.com



A Practical Art Day at the Methodist Church Centre, 2023.