

Lichfield Society of Artist Newsletter April 2026

Flower Painting Group – The next meeting of the Flower Painting Group will be Friday 1st May at the Holy Cross Church Community Room, Chapel Lane, Lichfield from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. (A small charge applies).

Sketching Group – The next Sketching Group will on the 9th April meeting at the Wolseley Centre, Staffs Wildlife Trust Centre (ST17 0ET)

Future dates

14th May meeting at Fradley Junction, (DE13 7DN)

4th June venue TBC

9th July venue TBC

13th August venue TBC

17th September venue TBC

8th October venue TBC

Demonstration Evening

The next demonstration evening will take place on Wednesday **15th April at 7.30pm**. This month we will be welcoming Pascale Bigot who will be demonstrating Mixed Media Figurative work (Please note this is on the third Wednesday of the month due to the Easter School Holidays). Examples of their art can be found at pascalebigotart.com

Future Demonstration Evenings 2026

May 13th Neil Rodgers, Portrait in Charcoal

June 10th Andy Tromans – The first half of the evening Andy will give an Illustrated talk about Japanese Wood Block Printing. In the second half of the evening members will get a chance to have a go at a simple wood block print.

July 8th Summer Social

September 9th Vic Bearcroft

October 14th Dennis Harper

November 11th Sue Chatterton, Portrait in Watercolour.

December 9th Christmas Social

Painting Evening

The next Painting Evening will meet on Wednesday 22nd April @7.15pm until 9.15 pm at Saxon Hill Academy, (A small charge applies).

(PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF START TIME AND FINISH TIME FOR THE PAINTING EVENING).

Portrait/Still Life Group – The next Portrait group will be meeting on Sunday 12th April at 1PM (A small charge applies).

Martin Heath Hall, Christ Church, Christ Church Lane, Lichfield, WS13 8AY,
1pm to 4pm.

Future dates are May 10th, June 7th, July 5th, August 1st, September 6th, October 4th and November 1st.

During the portrait group Dennis Harper has offered to give help and advice on framing but only if members request this. To book an appointment please contact Dennis in advance by email at dfh.art@icloud.com

Exhibition Awards Trophies – At the AGM the motion to replace physical trophies with personalised certificates was passed. Awarded trophies are to be kept by the recipients should they so wish.

Sue Crudginton asked if she could locate a home for unwanted trophies. She has received an email from the MP's office listing a few possible locations where the unwanted and as yet unawarded trophies might be stored.

A volunteer is needed to make contact with these locations to assess their interest. If one of the locations is willing the volunteer will need to contact all trophy holders to see if they want to keep them or not. The volunteer will need

to locate, collect and deliver all the appropriate trophies to the agreed storage location.

The Society is not in a position to pay for storage of the trophies at the locations or their insurance. If you are interested in taking on this task please email contact@lichfield-soc-artists.co.uk

Spring Exhibition - The 2026 Spring Exhibition will be held in the Guild Room from the 24th to the 28th of April. As Easter is close to this, the application form will go live on the 30th of March to give people a little more opportunity to get their entry forms in. The closing date for entries is 17th April 2026. The entry form may be found on the LSA website and completed online. It is also possible to download a form and return by email or send a hard copy if you prefer. Paper copies of the form will also be available at the Portrait session on the 12th of April, and at the 15th April LSA demonstration evening. If you have any queries, please email Sasha Lauer at sasha.lauer@btinternet.com

Also, in a change from previous exhibitions, we will be holding our opening and awards ceremony at 10:00 - 11:00 am on Saturday 25th April, with Councillor Doug Pullen as our guest of honour. Please do come along if you are able, a good turnout creates a great atmosphere, and our last opening was a relaxed and enjoyable occasion.

As always, we welcome any help with setting up the exhibition on the Friday morning, there is a lot to do in a short space of time!

Sasha Lauer, Exhibition Organiser

FUSE – Once again the Society has been asked to take part in this year's FUSE Festival which will be taking place on the 10th, 11th and 12th of July. Friday will be setting up day, and we are thinking of doing the same format as last year with art workshops on the Saturday followed by an exhibition and demonstrations by members of the society on the Sunday.

More details to follow. Look out for update in future Newsletters.

If you think you may be interested in taking part this year, please email contact@lichfield-soc-artists.co.uk

Kind regards,

Stuart Burn
