



SGA Bulletin: July 2025

A big thank you to everyone who attended our AGM on 7th June, to Annie who arranged a fantastic spread of cakes and tea, and to our special guest Michele Millidge who gave a thoroughly enjoyable talk about her life in art. Michele has undertaken many different types of projects, from decorating private homes to working in schools, from murals to painting on glass and large-scale illustrations. She has clearly brightened many lives while carving out a terrific and versatile career using her artistic skills, and her “can do” approach when responding to artistic challenges was inspiring. We are delighted to welcome her as a new member of the SGA.

We are delighted too to welcome two members onto the committee – Mark Elling and Pauline Oliver. So the committee now looks like this: Paul and Lyn Ryder (membership), Beverley Singleton (treasurer and workshops), Jill Tomalin (exhibitions), Becky Aymes (social media), Annie George (exhibition curator), Mark, Pauline and myself as chair,

And finally.... Ken and Josie Smith have just announced they are stepping down from organising the Friday Art afternoons. I’m not sure how long they have done it so faithfully and well, certainly longer than I have been a member, so 8 years or more. Those who attend the Friday sessions are hugely saddened that they letting go, they set standards of welcome and friendliness that were exemplary. We will find ways of thanking them officially, but in the meantime thank them from the bottom of our hearts, and still hope to see them on occasion at the Friday sessions. They will still remain members of the SGA.

Martin (Webster), chairman

Summer Exhibition, 2nd – 30th August

The submission form is now live on the website with all the details on framing, stewarding etc. Submissions must be in by midnight on Sunday 27th July. As always there are a few things we need to draw your attention to:-

To clarify, you can submit any work as long as it was not shown in the April Joint exhibition

Evacuation procedure: the library still requires us to sign in/out when stewarding, and have now specified what we should do if the fire alarm goes off. We have added this info to the stewards’ file.

Stewarding: all exhibitors are expected to steward. We will organise slots during hand in, but if you have commitments which limit your availability, please phone Jill during 23 – 29th July on 01722 349308. Finally, *please read the file*, to remind yourself of our procedures - newer members will find everything you need to know there, including how to make a sale.

Promotion: we are keen to promote the exhibition more widely. Suggestions on how to do so should be sent to Jill at tomalinmandj@hotmail.com. Please pick up some flyers at hand in, and feel able to invite family and friends to the Private View on 1st August. And, as always, please promote the SGA while talking to visitors. Anyone interested should be referred to the SGA website.

Artists' Profiles: we would like to update the file giving details of our members. If you wish to be included, please bring an A4 sheet to the hand in.

Workshops

Saturday 26th July

'Still Life Day'

with Pam Philip

There's still a chance to spend a day enjoying and exploring 'Still Life' with Dorset painter Pam Philip. (Instagram; philip.pamela) Pam will be working in oil and acrylics, and pastel artists are also very welcome. Pam's style is loose and layered. Come and try your hand, learning from her demonstration and immersing yourself in 'Still Life' for a day!



To book a place please email Beverley at beverleysingleton@rocketmail.com

Plain Arts Exhibition at Langford Lakes

Wiltshire Wild and Wonderful is the theme of Plain Arts' exhibition at Langford Lakes this July. Full details are on their flyer (on the next page of this Bulletin).

More Dates for your Diary

Saturday 2nd - Saturday 30th August 2025: Summer Exhibition at the library

Hand in: Wednesday 30th July Pick up: Saturday 30th August

17th October – 21st November 2025: ArtCare Exhibition at the hospital

Hand in: Monday 13th October Pick up: Monday 24th November

Workshops

Saturday 26th July: Summer 'Still Life Day' with Pam Philip

Saturday 27th September: Creative workshop with Karen Welsh.

Saturday 22nd November: Trees winter and summer, in different styles, with Martin Webster.

Next Salisbury Sketchers

Sunday 20th July, Heale Garden, Middle Woodford, from 1.30pm (see website for more details)

Friday Art

Weekly, 1 - 4pm, at Bemerton Methodist Hall, Roman Road, Salisbury. SP2 9BH

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Wiltshire Wild & Wonderful

An exhibition of works by Plain Arts Members

Langford Lakes

Duck Street, Salisbury SP3 4NH
(Open Wednesday-Sunday each week 10am-4pm)

2nd July - 27th July 2025

OPEN EVENING - 4th July 6.00-8.00pm



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