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Cover Images: Courtesy of Bluestone Gallery, Hay-on-Wye Ceramic dish, pebbles and pot by Shirley Smith Penguin Book Vase by Thomasin Toohie "Which One? (Book figure) by Kath Kingdon Stoneware vessels by Philip Evans

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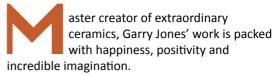
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## **GARRY JONES CERAMICS**

& studio





In a world full of seriousness, embrace the lighter side of life, with Garry's unbelievably unique, beautiful and joy-filled ceramics.











Garry's ceramics are available in a range of sizes, from mini framed pieces to medium sized sculpture as well as larger pieces. Whatever piece you choose, Garry's sculpture will transform any space.



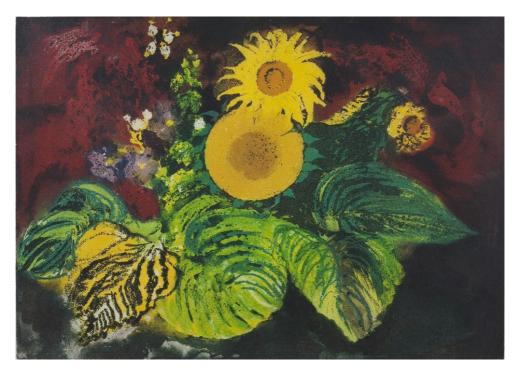
With regular commissions from shops as well as UK retailer River Island no less, Garry also creates work for individual clients. Get in touch to find out more.

See Garry at the Malvern RHS Spring show Three Counties Agricultural Society. Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th May 2025.

Visit the studio at: Motte House ,Walford, Nr. Leintwardine, Herefordshire, SY7 0JT

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## John Piper in the Countryside: the perfect show for 2025

celebration of Piper's love of landscape set in three acres of beautiful gardens at Netherwood Manor in rural Herefordshire, WR15 8RT.

The exhibition will include over 50 original prints, fabrics and paintings and will offer a special display of textiles, ceramics and art inspired by the county.

This free exhibition will be displayed in a medieval timbered barn and the extensive gardens will be open for the first time under the National Gardens Scheme, the Estate also offers accommodation and an innovative 'farm-to-fork' restaurant.

The exhibition will be open from 10.00 am - 4.00 pm from 31st May – 8th June and from 19th – 22nd June, the gardens will be open each weekend at the same times.

## John Piper in the Countryside

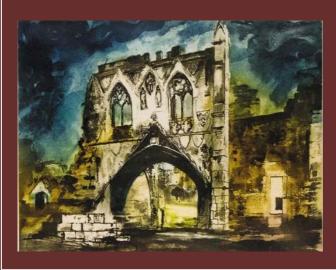
At Netherwood Manor in rural Herefordshire | WR15 8RT





31st May – 8th June & 19th – 22nd June 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

For more information, please contact: richard@fiftiesart.com or 07714 106386 www.fiftiesart.com www.netherwoodestate.co.uk







## A Summer of creativity awaits at Chapel Cottage Studio!

Whether you are an experienced artist or just starting out we have a choice of exciting workshops with expert tutors that are sure to inspire. Here is a selection of what we have coming up in May and June:



Friday 2nd May Ladybird in mixed media with Alison Board 1.30 - 4.30pm - £40 pp



Saturday 3rd May Rowan Fox in mixed media with Alison Board 10am - 4pm - £75 pp



Saturday 17th May Creative Freedom with Miriam Vincent 10am - 4pm - £92 pp



Friday 6th June
Dramatic Seascapes in soft
pastels with Gareth Jones
10am - 4pm - £80 pp





Friday 13th June Bluebells in oils or acrylics with DJ Johnson 1.30 – 4.30pm - £45 pp



Saturday 14th June Woodland Light in oils or acrylics with DJ Johnson 10am - 4pm - £75pp



Saturday 21st June Semi-abstract landscapes in acrylics with Feona Ness 10am – 4pm - £65 pp



Sat 28th– Sun 29th June Pet Portraits in oils with Amanda Turner 10am – 4pm each day - £160 pp

Our workshops offer a wonderful opportunity to learn new skills, create something beautiful, connect with others and be inspired by the world of art. We offer a friendly, informal setting where you can be sure of a warm welcome.

Book your class at:
chapelcottagestudio.co.uk
or feel free to get in touch for more
information:
info@chapelcottagestudio.co.uk

## Chapel Cottage Art Studio

Annual Open Weekend: Sat 24th – Sun 25th May – I0am – 4pm – FREE ENTRY



We will be holding our annual Open Weekend and Exhibition here at CCS on the 24th and 25th of May as part of the wonderful Crickhowell Open Studio's event. Come along and say hello, have a look at some of the beautiful Art on display and find out more about what we do here at CCS. The exhibition will include work by our resident artist Jantien Powell, as well as several of our talented students. There will be home made cakes, tea and coffee on offer and there is plenty of outdoor space for well behaved pets and children to play!

Chapel Cottage Studio | Llanddewi Rhydderch | Abergavenny | NP7 9TT 01873 840282 / 07935 934898

chapelcottagestudio.co.uk



Claire Lovell, Spring Blooms

elebrating 15 years since the first Open Studios weekend took place in Crickhowell, the Spring Bank Holiday Weekend will once again see twenty four venues open their doors to show a wonderful variety of art. The popular annual event brings with it a festive atmosphere and gives the perfect excuse to explore Crickhowell and the surrounding area.

Visitors can explore and discover the joy of collecting affordable art created by artists in Studios, galleries and pop-up artist collectives in unusual spaces across the area. You're sure to have a warm welcome and to come away feeling inspired, taking home a token of your visit or having signed up to a workshop or class.

The event is organised by the Oriel CRiC Gallery and the gallery's Open Art

exhibition of selected work is launched during the weekend of 24 – 26 May, it is an annual highlight attracting exceptional entries.

A programme of demonstration and events are to be found in the free printed guides which are widely available in shops, galleries, libraries and tourist information centres across the area or from the Crickhowell Resource & Information Centre, CRiC, Beaufort Street, Crickhowell, NP8 IBN T: 01873 813667 www.orielcric.wales Copies can be requested from: gallery@visitcrickhowell.wales





Johanne Anders, Fashionista | Lee Wright, Echinacea | Helen Arthur, Tree Songs Shelter









## NORTH PEMBROKESHIRE OPEN STUDIOS 2025

Saturday 23rd August – Saturday 6th September 2025.

ake a date to visit the studios of over 40 contemporary artists in the beautiful, rugged and ancient North Pembrokeshire landscape this year. Talk to painters, printmakers, potters, textile artists, jewellery makers and sculptors about their work, their process and their inspiration. Discuss your own work with an expert and get advice.

Buy original work direct from the artist, commission a special piece or watch a demonstration. Or simply enjoy an expedition to see the huge variety of extraordinary artworks produced in this stunning part of Wales.

Look out for the North
Pembrokeshire Open Studios (NPOS)
logo outside studios, on directional
signs, banners, posters and flags. Visit
our live website www.npopenstudi
os.co.uk to find out more about the
artists taking part, and their studio
opening times and locations.

The NPOS brochures will be available from early July and will have colour

coded maps to help you plan your route as well as lists of artists organised by area. Find the brochures in venues around North Pembrokeshire including Newport Visitor Information Centre.

If you are unable to make the Open Studios dates, most artists welcome visitors all year round by appointment.

In addition, two exhibitions of work by participating artists will be held at Pepper's Gallery in Fishguard from May 17th – June 1st and from August 16th – September 6th.

While you're here, take time to walk on our beautiful beaches, the coastal path or visit prehistoric sites and the Preseli Mountains. North Pembrokeshire has welcoming cafes, restaurants, microbreweries, shops and a variety of accommodation to make your stay even more memorable.

www.visitpembrokeshire.com

NPOS artists look forward to meeting you!

# NORTH PEMBROKESHIRE OPEN STUDIOS 2025

OVER 40 QUALITY ARTISTS AND MAKERS
INVITE YOU TO VISIT THEIR STUDIOS

23rd AUGUST - 6th SEPTEMBER

info@npopenstudios.co.uk www.npopenstudios.co.uk

Cover photograph:
Smoky Pearl handbuilt bowl - Linda Unsworth

## **Natural History Watercolour Artist**

## **Tracey-Anne Sitch**



You can see my work at:

The Frogmore Street Gallery, Abergavenny www.frogmorestreetgallery.co.uk
Oriel Cric

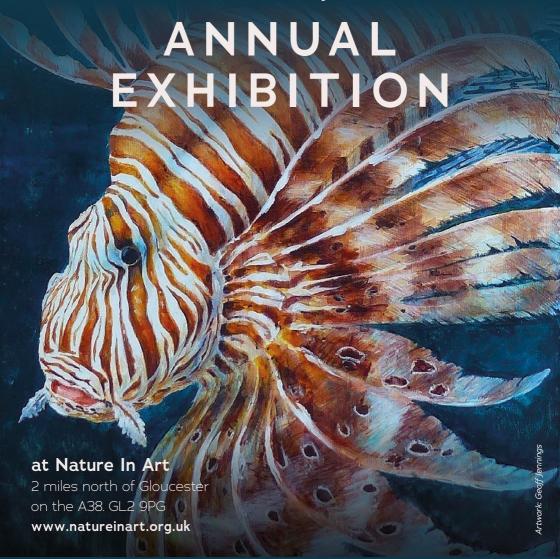
www.visitcrickhowell.wales

The Royal Watercolour Society of Wales www.royalwatercoloursocietywales.com
In the TWASI 2025 exhibition

www.twasi.com

Email: traceyannesitch@sky.com

The Wildlife Art Society International



### Preview evening:

Friday 23rd May, 6.00pm-8.30pm

### Open daily:

10.00am-5.00pm, Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May-Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June (closes 2.30pm Sun 1<sup>st</sup>)

**FREE ENTRY** 



www.twasi.com

## **Val Williams Exhibition**

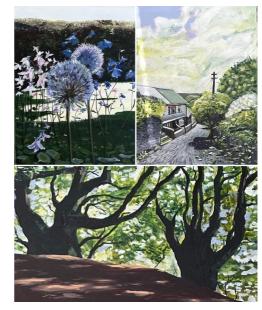
3rd - 24th May



was born in West Glamorgan in the early fifties and moved to Pontypridd in 1974 to start my teaching career.

My work is almost always informed by the landscapes, both urban and rural, to be found in south and west Wales.

Although I've experimented with inks, pastels and collage, at present my preferred medium is acrylic. This speaks to my personality - as painter friends have often observed, I like to paint at pace!





## **Tanya Nowak Exhibition**

31 May to 2 June







I regard my artwork as a journey through my life. There is nothing better than losing oneself in the creative process and wondering where it is taking me. I like to explore working with a number of mediums; pastels, acrylics, watercolour, charcoal and inks.

On retirement I became interested in working through the medium of glass. The reactions of different coloured glasses when they are fused together, the effects of copper oxide powder on glass - there is so much to learn.

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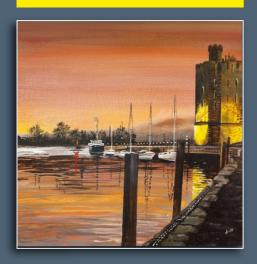
www.gilesgallery.com

## Jill Jones Fine Art

www.jilljones.co.uk

## soloexhibitiona

### **New Landscapes**



*'Calmer Waters'* (47 x 47cm approx framed) Original £695

### **New Seascapes**

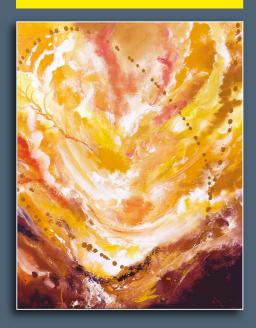


'Coastal Splash'
(64 x 80cm framed, in white
double wooden frame)
Original £895

## May 3rd to June 21st 2025

## tLife:FullColour

### **New Abstracts**



'May Angel Wings Surround you with Love' (80 x 1.1m approx framed) Original £1500

### **New Coastal pieces**



*'Cartref' (Home)* (90 x 90cm approx framed) Original £1500













Royal Watercolour Society of Wales Cymdeithas Frenhinol Dyfrlliw Cymru

Established 1959

Patron HM King Charles III

he Royal Watercolour of Wales aims to exhibit, encourage and promote the craft of watercolour in its many different guises.

The Royal Watercolour Society of Wales was formed by six like-minded artists, living in and around Cardiff, to exhibit and promote this medium by holding regular exhibitions of their work throughout Wales. The first exhibition was held in 1959 at the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff. Today the society has around 40 members - all professional artists, living and working in Wales. Entry to the society is by election: in this way the RWSW maintains high standards of work as well as attracting new talent to its ranks.

Showcasing the art of watercolour, through the paintings of its members, RWSW aims to provide a forum for the continuing appreciation and development of the medium.





In 2007 The Royal Watercolour Society of Wales was honoured when the Prince of Wales agreed to become its patron having exhibited with us for some years. A further

honour followed in 2013 when Her Majesty the Queen agreed that the name of the Watercolour Society of Wales be changed to the Royal Watercolour Society. We are most gratified that his majesty had continued his patronage of the society after assuming his position as sovereign.





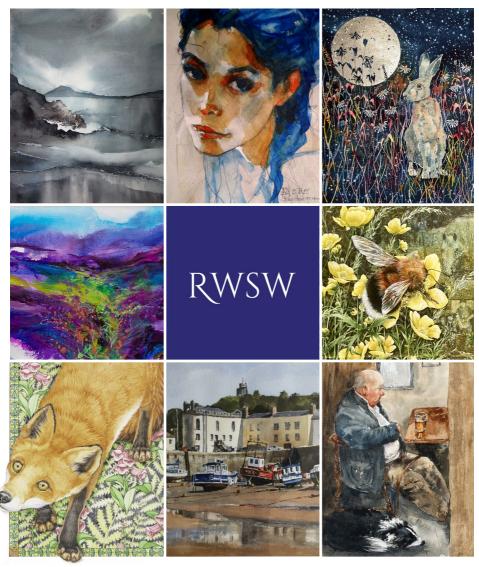
Royal Watercolour Society of Wales exhibitions in 2025

Chester
24th of May to the 19th of October
Grosvenor Museum,
27 Grosvenor Street
Chester, CH1 2DD

Aberglasney
May of 30th to the 12th June
Aberglasney House & Gardens
Llangathen, Carmarthen SA32 8QH

Mid Wales
Sunday 20th of July to the 19th of
October
Mid Wales Arts Centre,
Maesmawr,
Caesws, Newtown SY17 5SB





Over 40 professional members throughout Wales.

To apply to become a member or to become a friend of the society visit our new website:

www.royalwatercoloursociety.wales



### ALEX BROWN AND WABI-SABI

Ithough his laurels are impressive, Alex Brown does not rest on them. That is to say he is a restlessly creative artist, who is never satisfied with what he has achieved, and always looks to move on, improve, try something new and different. He is known for his bravura use of a palette knife, his mark-making and his brilliant colour sense. Now, through a fascination with Japanese art he has focused on Wabi-sabi, a particular and significant feature of Japanese notions of beauty.

There are many definitions and aspects to Wabi Sabi. Richard Powell writes "Wabi-Sabi nurtures all that is authentic by acknowledging three simple realities: nothing lasts, nothing is finished, and nothing is perfect". The Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy states that wabi can be said to be "subdued auty", and

can be said to be "subdued austere beauty", and sabi means "rustic patina" Wabi-sabi has slowly evolved over hundreds of years and in modern Japan it is now often thought of as "wisdom in natural simplicity", while in art it is focused on "imperfect beauty"

In Japan Wabi-sabi can be found in garden design, in poetry, flower arrangement and often in wood fired ash glazed ceramics.



Alex has channelled it into this new series of paintings, in which his use of a palette knife, and even a paint brush, have been discarded. Instead he prepares the canvas in various ways. For instance he sometimes scatters crumbled charcoal over the canvas for texture, then applies resin over it, and waits for it to dry before applying paint. Paint is poured and dripped section by section, with sometimes the canvas being angled to make it move. Everything is done in stages, with long waits for paint to dry and the composition to develop. We are delighted to exhibit these new pieces by Alex, art which rewards close observation and thoughtful contemplation.

## Bluestone Gallery

## Contemporary art and craft from across the British Isles



5 Castle Street, Hay on Wye, HR3 5DF 01497 820916

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## A Shared Pulse – Art & Music

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Y Segontiwm, 9 Segontium Terrace, Caernarfon (Just off the square).

In live music, a slight hesitation or an improvised note becomes part of the story. In original art, a visible correction, a layered canvas, reveals process over perfection. These imperfections are invitations — to connect, to witness, to feel.

In a world of endless reproduction, both original art and live music offer something unrepeatable. They remind us what it means to be present, to be human, to be moved.

## LIVE music

every
Friday night
and original
paintings to buy
off the wall.

## Joy Unlimited

## **New Works by Jill Jones FRSA**

'Joy Unlimited' is a radiant new collection of paintings by professional fine artist Jill Jones. Known for her evocative depictions of land and sea, Jones brings together a series of landscapes, seascapes, coastal scenes, and bold abstracts that celebrate colour, light and movement. Working in both acrylic and oil, her expressive brushwork and rich textures

capture the elemental energy of the natural world. From the shifting skies over dramatic Welsh headlands to the rhythmic pulse of waves crashing onto rugged shores.

Opens Saturday 3rd May at Life: Full Colour gallery in Caernarfon



'May Angel Wings surround you with Love' by Jill Jones FRSA. £1500

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t: 01286 400155



## Dawn Harries Art

Exhibiting at Victoria Fearn Gallery 23rd May - 5th July 2025



New Landscape paintings available at Victoria Fearn Gallery in a joint show.

Come along to the preview evening and meet the artists.

## Preview Evening Friday 23rd May 5-8pm



6b Heol y Deri, Rhiwbina, Cardiff, CF14 6HF Open Monday - Saturday 9.30am - 5.30pm

## VICTORIA FEARN GALLERY





## The Makers at Craft Renaissance:

A gallery with a difference.

A warm welcome always awaits you at our arts & crafts gallery, a bright and beautiful space at Craft Renaissance, halfway between Abergavenny and Usk - a relaxing, inspiring environment. Regular opening times are Wednesday - Saturday, 10:30am - 4:00pm, Sunday I I am - 4:00pm.

The Gallery is proud to host both established and emerging creatives. with a diverse range of works. From oil paintings to willow weaving, ceramics to blacksmithing, textiles to photography. Our makers volunteer as stewards, giving visitors the opportunity to chat directly with the artists. In addition to the Gallery is The Makers Studio, where two of our members, Textile/Clay artist Emma Bevan and painter Janet Chaplin, have their studios; both run workshops here.

Please join us for the Oriel CRIC Open Studios and art trail during the May Bank Holiday, Saturday 24th May - Monday 26th May (Gallery & Studio), 10am - 5pm. Cafe open 9am - 4pm.

Instagram: @themakers craftrenaissance | Facebook: The Makers at Craft Renaissance | Email: themakerscraftrenaissance@gmail.com Address: Kemeys Commander, NP15 1JU what3words: galaxies.campfires.movies

















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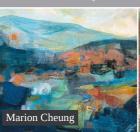






## **CONVERSATIONS IN** PORCELAIN & PAINT PORTRAITS OF TREES

30th April – 29th June 2025







## Old Chapel Gallery

Contemporary Fine Art and Crafts in Herefordshire





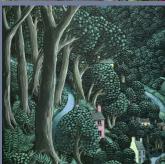






Old Chapel Galleru









Hay Festival Exhibition on now - 30th June Garden Sculpture Exhibition 2025 'Shadows on the Grass' - ongoing throughout the year

> View in the gallery & online Tel: 01544 388842







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## Elaine Jones Art





Elaine works in her old railway carriage studio at her home in the hills between Cynghordy and Llandovery, taking much inspiration from her surroundings in the stunning Carmarthenshire countryside. Her work includes atmospheric landscapes & seascapes, florals, wildlife, and intuitive abstract paintings in a variety of art mediums. Original artworks, fine art prints, along with an array of Elaine's handmade crafts can be purchased straight from her studio, website, social media, some local shops and cafes, and various craft fairs and exhibitions throughout the year. Follow her on social media to see new artworks, markets, and exhibitions.

Elaine is looking forward to greeting visitors to her studio during the Tywi Valley Open Studios Arts Trail 2025 (26/7 - 3/8) For more information, go to https://tywivalleyopenstudios.wales Commissions welcomed and creative well-being workshops offered. Elaine is passionate about inspiring others to use creativity for health and well-being, exploring the joy of the process by adopting an intuitive, freeing and fun approach.

Website and other useful links are via: www.elainejonesart.bigcartel.com Email: elainejonesart@gmail.com







## Craft\*folK 2025 dates for your diary

Cardiff Bay Events
All located on the upper level of Roald Dahl Plass

May Day in Cardiff Bay Saturday 3 to Bank Holiday Monday 5 May

Spring Bank Holiday in Cardiff Bay Saturday 24 to Bank Holiday Monday 26 May

Cardiff Food and Drink Festival Friday 27 to Sunday 29 June

August Bank Holiday in Cardiff Bay Friday 22 to Bank Holiday Monday 25 August

Cardiff Events
Located in Working Street, Cardiff City Centre

Cardiff Spring Festival
Thursday 8 to Saturday 17 May

Cardiff Summer Festival
Saturday 2 to Saturday 16 August

Cardiff Christmas Market 2025
Located in St John Street Working Street, Trinity Street and Hills Street
Thursday 13 November to Tuesday 23 December

For further details on these events, please go to: www.craftfolk.com www.cardiffchristmasmarket.com



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See Ewemoo at the following events:

Spring Festival Builth Wells
May 17th & 18th

Hay Festival 22nd May - 1st June

Cardiff Food festival 27th June - 29th June

Royal Welsh Showground July 21st - July 24th

Winter fair Builth Wells 25th & 26th November



Visit their website to view their entire collection:

www.ewemoo.co.uk



## Apple Store Gallery

## ASG at 20 Celebrating Twenty Years of Local Art & Artists 7th to 31st May





## Wednesday to Friday 10am to 3pm Saturday 10am to 1pm

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