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SUNDAY 2ND DECEMBER CASTLE HOTEL, BRECON, FROM 10 AM TO 4PM

#### **30 CONTEMPORARY EXHIBITORS**

FREE ENTRY, WITH COMPLIMENTARY MULLED WINE AND CAKE

### Greenspace Gallery Christmas Exhibition



Greenspace Gallery will be hosting Meals for Malawi and also opening its doors for the lonely this Christmas,.... Greenspace is more than just another tearoom! A business with ethics at its heart also provides vegan and vegetarian meals and cakes as well as an assortment of talented arts and crafts from local artists, please support Greenspace this Christmas.



### From the Beacons to the Sea

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An exhibition of ceramics from the South Wales Potters, and art work from the Swansea Print Workshop Collective.

The work exhibited has been selected for its originality and how it responds to the theme, *From the Beacons to the Sea*.

Arddangosfa o waith ceramig gan South Wales Potters, a gwaith celf gan Swansea Print Workshop Collective.

Mae'r gwaith a arddangosir wedi cael ei ddethol am ei wreiddioldeb a'r modd y mae'n ymateb i thema, *O'r Bannau i'r Mor*.

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Please note access to the gallery may be restricted by other activities Sylwch y gallal gwelthgareddau eralli rhwystro eih ffordd i'r galeri

# www.rhiannonart.co.uk



B ack to brighten up our pages once again, the fabulous Rhiannon Art has some incredible new work and lots of ways to show it off. Capturing some truly wonderful places, Rhiannon's new designs include Llandeilo, Pontypridd, Newport and Bristol.

To see her work in the flesh, Rhiannon Art will be at the Cardiff Christmas Market until the 23rd December. Anyone who spends over £50 at the market will receive a free Nadolig Llawen tea towel!

There are also a limited number of textured worktop savers that can only be found at the markets and nowhere else.

Please visit www.rhiannonart.co.uk to view some quirky and colourful gifts.

Rhiannon's range includes mounted prints, canvas art, placemats, phone covers, mugs, coasters, glass worktop savers, cards, calendars and even jigsaws!

For any space in the home or office, Rhiannon's Art will not only brighten it up but captivate the imagination, make it ooze with positivity and vibrance and transport you to your special place, whether it be the Tenby shoreline, Penarth's famous pier or Bristol's captivating bridges and hot air balloons (to mention but a few!), you can be sure that Rhiannon's watercolours will include a lot of imagination and a huge amount of magic.

Wishing you very merry, 'Rhiannon Art' Christmas!







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### KEN HURD ART



fter a successful career working as a freelance graphic designer in and around Birmingham, Ken went on to gain a BA in fine art at University. He now spends his time traveling around the Welsh coast with his sketch book and sells his finished mixed-media paintings at art fairs around the country.

Since being accepted by a major art publisher, Ken's work is now available from the big web art portals and from Ikea stores worldwide.

# KATE HEISS

for Christmas



Kate Heiss is a modern British printmaker creating limited edition screen prints and linocuts. Kate studied at the Royal College of Art graduating with an MA in Textile Design in 1997. She then worked as a Textile Designer across a wide range of fashion brands before setting up her own printmaking studio in 2011. Kate creates dynamic, vibrant, and illustrative prints inspired by her love of flowers and nature. Kate regularly exhibits across the UK.

### Shop at: kateheiss.com

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### RICHARD MEYRICK GUITARS www.richardmeyrickguitars.co.uk

Richard Meyrick offers fine handmade acoustic guitars as well as providing the opportunity for you to learn the art of guitar making for yourself with his **'BUILD YOUR OWN GUITAR'** courses, which make for an incredibly creative Christmas gift!

Sessions are £18 per hour, tools provided.

\*Note that courses are run over several months. Materials are extra and guidance can be given when choosing tonewoods.

In addition to this, Richard offers all aspects of stringed instrument repair.





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I enjoy both the freedom and the challenge of transforming everyday materials and found objects into quirky pictures and decorations. I love the idea of giving something that has been discarded a new lease of life. Used gift wrap and foiled sweet wrappers become fabrics for fairy dresses and a well used scouring pad makes perfect smoke to come out of a chimney or even hair! My work can be seen over the festive period at Oriel Cric, Chapel cottage studios Christmas exhibition & gift fair, Quillies in Rhayader, Made in the Marches Gallery, Kington and Christmas fair at the The Globe in Hay on Wye. Email: rachael@blakewayb1.plus.com

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KATE BELL

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\*New series of work 'Massai and African wildlife paintings, all oil on canvas. Tina has sold work all over the world and has work published in 6 sachet mixte art books, which can be bought through Amazon. A Certified Bob ross instructor, Tina teaches in oils and acrylics. For workshops or demo's, please contact Tina direct. Commissions accepted for portraits seascapes landscapes and wildlife.



Kate explores places where land and sea come together such as the meeting of the sea and cliff, wind and rock, air and water – a fascination with the edges of landscape. Her expressive mark making through both drawing and paint captures a sense of time and place, encouraging a continual dialogue between real and imagined geographies. Kate's work is currently on show in 'Landforms' at Boundary Art Cardiff Bay from 24th November - 31st December. She has a studio at Elysium Gallery, Orchard Street, Swansea.

www.katebellart.com



### MICHAEL GALLACHER

Landscape Artist



Having recently moved to Raglan, Michael has enjoyed success in completing paintings local to the area as well as a number of commission works. Traditional in his training and outlook as a painter he likes getting out of the studio and meeting people at his successful display at Abergavenny market every Saturday, where he sells originals and prints of his paintings, hoping not only to give pleasure but perhaps to inspire others to paint.

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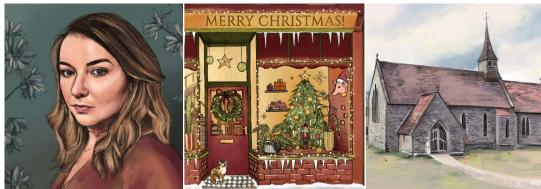
## JOELY DEAN ILLUSTRATION

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Instagram: @joelydean Facebook: @joelydeanillustration Twitter: @joelydean

Creating digital paintings & pencil drawings, Joely takes inspiration from travelling - nature, outdoors & people.



"I carry a sketchbook which I use every day to record my ideas and surroundings and then translate these to a final illustration using a mixture of traditional and digital materials; I think this gives my work a unique style. I normally start with a pencil drawing, then I scan this into Photoshop and paint it digitally." Purchase Joely's work at her Etsy shop - @JoelyDean For commissions such as portraits, including pets, and location drawings (wedding venues, house portraits), theatre posters etc.

Email: joely.dean@yahoo.co.uk or contact her via social media.

Website: joelydean.myportfolio.com Blog: joelvillustration.tumblr.com



'GHOSTS'

### **DAVID PHILLIPS**

There is a bit of a morbid underlying theme to the painting in that my parents have both passed recently. The element removed is the family house that as a home is always more than the bricks and mortar with which it was created. A fairly obvious symbolism but I think this is what makes the title work. However if you know the aspect of my parents house – it faces roughly south - you can see that this is a scene at dawn and is meant to show an optimistic start to a fundamental change in your life.

There is a counterpoint created by the lake in the foreground which is a nod of respect to a lyric by the Finn brothers ..."There's a mirror lake before me but I'm frozen when it's time to jump."

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# trus at: Cardiff Christmas Market 15th November - 16th December

EweMoo by Eric







Mark Warner is a practicing artist who grew up on the beautiful coast of West Wales.

"I adore using colour and line while interpreting the light, weather conditions and a love for the materials. I work directly in the field (literally on many occasions!) from sketches created outside as well as notes and photographs taken on location and continued back in the studio"

> Work is currently at Oriel Y Bont, Aberystwyth, Shrewsbury Museum & Art Gallery and Chapel Cottage Studio, Abergavenny. Mark has exhibited widely and has work in many private collections.

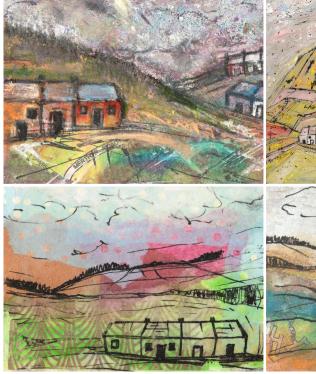
Recent work can be viewed on his website www.brushmark.co.uk He runs painting workshops as well as tutoring painting holidays in France and Italy. To discuss a commission, please contact Mark.

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## KATIE RIGBY ART

### Yn Y Cymoedd/In The Valleys

Exploring the Rhondda and Cynon Valleys, doing my 'day job' as a Specialist Teacher of the Deaf, my journeys map this unique landscape, which provides me with my inspiration and fascination.... horizons blur where land meets sky....where hills merge into clouds...where mountains melt in the air....the rows of houses are places crowning this precious community. I have completed several commissions, original art works are available as are limited edition prints. I have diversified by working in collaboration with The Printhaus to produce tea-towels and tote bags, all screen-printed by hand. I have been blessed to enjoy making connections within the Cardiff Art Community with my work being beautifully framed by @freerangeframes – bespoke/handmade handpainted frames. I have also produced cards and button badges, using images from my 'Yn Y Cymoedd/In the Valleys' series of artwork.



And then there is 'the process' drawing and painting, collage, print resist and image transfer techniques....playing with colours and materials, texture and line, and maybe a little gold leaf! It's good to be making again!



I have also worked with Fine Art photographer Craig Duffy of Duffography and I have been selected to put a piece of work into the MADE Winter Wall Exhibition 01/12/2018-20/01/2019, Cardiff MADE Gallery, Roath, Cardiff. And I am hopeful of other opportunities soon!



### Meet The Makers: Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup> 12.00pm - 6.00pm

Our winter exhibition runs until December 24th and features work by the local co-operative artist group SWPA.

The artists Sue McDonagh, Sylvia Hughes-Williams, Liz Lloyd, Adele Pask and gallery owner Beth Giles, will be holding a 'meet the makers' demo day on Saturday December 1st from 12.00pm to 6.00pm.

Throughout the day the artists will be working on paintings in the gallery, giving visitors the opportunity to discuss the work and to see how the magic happens.



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### Crickhowell at Christmas



The Frosty Morning, By Jemima Jameson

rickhowell is always at its picturesque best during the festive season. In celebratory mood after being declared the overall winner of the Great British High Street Awards 2018, there is no better time to join in the celebration this year than the annual Late Night Shopping Thursday on 6 December. The popular Christmas fair has grown to include 40 stalls spread throughout the town, giving visitors the perfect excuse to explore and enjoy the amazing variety! The oriel CRiC gallery's celebratory Christmas exhibition is filled with beautiful paintings, glassware, ceramics, jewellery and decorations, leaving visitors spoilt for choice. With the addition of a pop up exhibition in the CRiC Studio and the CRiC community Christmas tree competition which always results in beautifully decorated trees to enjoy while visiting the centre, this is the place to start your Christmas celebrations.



The River Usk & Abergavenny, By Louise Collis



View from Cwmdu, By Lucy Corbett



### 12 NOVEMBER - 6 JANUARY 2019

# Christmas at CRiC

### THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER 2018

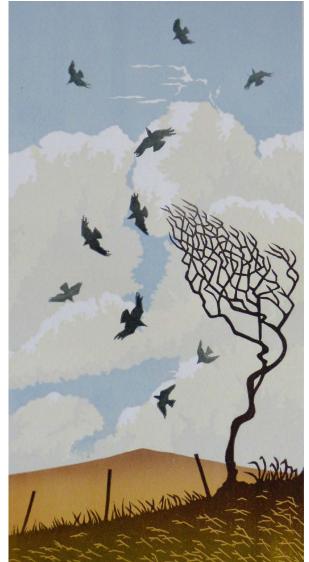
Crickhowell Late Night Shopping & Christmas Fair



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### STEVE MANNING PRINTMAKER

# TRACEY-ANNE SITCH



Steve is a printmaker living and working in Exeter, drawing on estuary and moorland for inspiration.

Limited, small edition prints which convey a sense of depth and light and capture a fleeting moment of stillness amid the constant movement of the natural world.



### Prints available from:

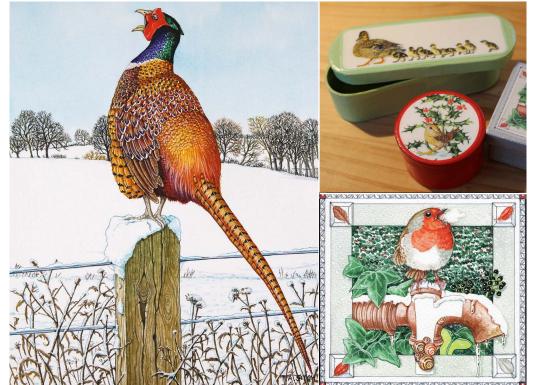
www.etsy.com/uk/shop/stevemanningprints www.stevemanningprints.co.uk Christmas gifts for the nature-lover in your life, featuring illustrations based on my natural history watercolour paintings.







I will be selling my originals, prints, books, mugs, cards and more at various Christmas shopping events locally up until the festive season.



Details of the venues and dates can be found at: Facebook: Tracey-Anne Sitch Artist Website: http://www.traceyannesitch.co.uk Email: traceyannesitch@sky.com Instagram: traceyannesitchartist

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### **Olive Rose Jewellery**

Emma Trott 07746932513 emma@oliverose.co.uk @oliverosejewel Available from www.madebyhandonline.com

Olive Rose was set up by Emma in 2015, inspired by her daughters' middle names. Using a Victorian lace craft called "Tatting", Emma is able to manipulate a line of thread into a complex structure. Her latest collection combines this traditional technique with hand forged silver elements.

#### Mizuki Takahashi www.mizukitakahashi.co.uk

Mizuki Takahashi is an award winning contemporary jewellery artist. Practicing in silver, mark-making enamel and playing with paper gives her simple yet delicate design ideas.

Current showcases at Mission Gallery in Swansea, New Brewery Arts in Cirencester, Anne Morgan Jewellery in Penarth and The Art Shop and Chapel in Abergavenny.

### Happy Decor After

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Emily John is a skilled pyrographer who engraves personalised wooden decor all by hand using a woodburning tool. "I enjoy seeing all the creations come to life, especially this time of year" All available via the website- custom designs are also welcome.

### KOA JEWELLERY

www.koajewellery.co.uk

These fabulous little Robin earrings are just £12 from Koa Jewellery. Find them on www.koajewellery.co.uk

Cast and polished from recycled pewter, they come beautifully packaged and shipping is free. A simple and charming gift with an ethical twist, they are handmade in Sully, South Glamorgan.



### Sally Wilkinson Designs

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'Sally is a paper artist living in South Devon. Her work is inspired by traditional origami and by the paper she uses. Sally loves the creative process of transforming a simple sheet of paper or old book into something beautiful and unexpected.'

### A Little Piece Of Pretty

www.facebook.com/alittlepieceofpretty Instagram: alpopjewellery

I make my jewellery from fine & sterling silver, gemstones and crystals. All pieces are handmade, which means they will never be exactly the same- this uniqueness is very important to me. I try to make things that are fun, pretty, a bit kitsch, wearable and will make you smile.

Please visit my Facebook page: alittlepieceofpretty If you like what you see you can order pieces from there.

### Siôn Llewellyn Love Spoons

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### **Beach Art Glass**

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Give wearable art this Christmas.

Award winning glass artist, Julie Fountain, has captured the essence of the seashore in her stunning jewellery designs. She has created a stunning collection featuring her handcrafted glass beads and beautiful sterling silver, inspired by the sea. mma Bevan is the founder of Artisan Events Wales, which runs Artisan Markets several times a year. Emma told us

"As an artist (from FfolkyFfelt) and tutor, I think I have a good background for working as a curator and events coordinator. I love to forge connections between makers, food producers and performers. Wales has such a wealth of talent and hard-working creatives; it is a huge honour to be able to bring a wonderful fusion of contemporary and traditional skills together at these events, which are always warm and friendly!"

Emma is also events coordinator for The Big Skill CIC. Working alongside the co-founder, Trevor Stringer, they run the crafts festival in Hay, several workshops, and their Christmas Market. They provide hands-on workshops for all, with a wide range of skilled practitioners, from wood-turning to weaving, spinning to blacksmithing.



For bookings & information call 01874 620 111 or email enquiries@felinfachgriffin.co.uk



In May, Emma opened The Makers Mezzanine, as the creative director of this artisan gallery and workshop studio near Hay on Wye. It is situated above the farm shop and café run by Carrot & Wine Stores in Whitney on Wye, and the Stores and Mezzanine complement each other wonderfully. You will find both residential and visiting artists, and a range of workshops here.



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### **DUFFOGRAPHY** Fine Art Reproduction

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If you already have a digital version of your art that you would like to use for printing that's fine, just email it through to me or bring it in on a memory stick / cd and I can print from there.

#### Printing

All prints are produced using a Cannon IPF 8400 with the 12 colour Lucia EX pigment ink system, coupled with a range of Hahnemuhle fine art papers. There is no minium print order and prints are usually ready for collection / shipping within 48 hrs.

Print discounts are available depending on the quantity of prints ordered and the prints can be any combination of design or size to qualify.

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All meetings are by appointment only so please contact me on the details below.

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