

Beacons Open Studios 2022

CRAFTS & ART TRAIL

Exhibitions, Demonstrations, Workshops

Saturday June 18 - Sunday June 26



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Welcome to The Big Skill Crafts Festival!

The Big Skill team are delighted to welcome you to this 9-day open studios and arts/crafts trail; made possible by the generosity of the BBNPA Sustainability Fund.

We hope that you will enjoy exploring all the different venues and events, and we would love to hear about your experiences – after the past couple of years apart, this feel like a real opportunity to celebrate the creativity and the communities that are in and around the Brecon Beacons.

Please adhere to any Covid guidelines in place at particular venues.

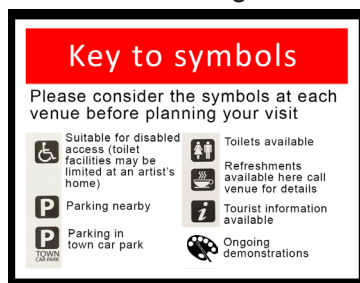
Please note – to book a place at workshops, please contact the venue directly.

For more information about the Beacons Crafts Trail, you can contact

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www.thebigskill.com



With thanks to Dan Wassell for the map and Nigel Evans for the layout

1 Beacons Crafts, Brecon



Beacons Crafts is a craft co-operative established over 25 years ago and supports over 40 individual maker businesses. Beacons Crafts, Unit 8, Bethel Square, Brecon LD3 7JP
01874 625706 email: beaconscraftsltd@gmail.com



2 The Muse, Brecon



Saturday 18th Tina O'Keefe Patchwork
Sunday 19th Karin Mear Painting
Wenesday 22nd Bridget & Trev Sign up for accredited courses
Wed 22nd Nigel Evans, Open Mic
Saturday 25th Annabel Metal Bugs



The Muse, Glamorgan Street, Brecon LD3 7DW
07791 654799

3 Christine Williams, Brecon



Christine's studio is in a dedicated space in her home, a bungalow. She create her paintings using pigmented beeswax and her 'brushes' are a flat iron, soldering iron and hot air gun.

Christine Williams, 39 Pendre Gardens Brecon, Wales, LD3 9EP
07966498016 cewbrecon@gmail.com



4 Ardent Gallery, Brecon



Ardent Gallery is an independent art gallery within one of the oldest buildings on Brecon High Street. Gemma Schiebe runs workshops on June 21 and June 23. Contact gemmaschiebdefineart@mail.com.
Workshop 1: Tues June 21 6 - 8 pm - An Introduction to Fine Line Drawing with a Focus on Landscape and Nature £17.50pp. Workshop 2: Thurs June 23 6-8pm - An Introduction to Collage £17.50pp.
Ardent Gallery, 46 High Street, Brecon, Powys, LD3 7AP 01874 623333 info@ardentgalleryco.uk



5 Found Gallery, Brecon



Found Gallery is a contemporary art gallery in the centre of Brecon and will have an exhibition on with potter Nigel Lambert and artist Mariette Voke called 'Oil ~ Water ~ Clay. Two artists journeys'.

Found Gallery, 1 Bulwark, Brecon , LD3 7LB 07736 062849 info@foundgallery.co.uk (10am-4pm Mon-Sat)

June 23 - Demo and Q&A with Nigel Lambert and Mariette Voke.



6 Laura Dennis, Brecon



Laura says: I run a studio and gallery in Brecon, which is open to the public. The space contains a gallery space and my art studio. I'm a landscape artist and display my work and other Welsh painters. I also feature a makers section in the gallery, which showcases unique and highly crafted works from potters, jewellery makers, woodcarvers and more. Both gallery & studio are open to the public and I want the space to celebrate high craft and art from Wales.

13, Ship Street, Brecon, Powys, LD3 9AD

07930383105 email: info@lauradennis.co.uk



7 Pontardawe Heritage Centre, Pontardawe



Jane Carpenter daily glass and metal workshops/demos.

Jo Todd resin workshop Saturday June 18.

Amanda Carpenter Faberge style eggs, drop in most days.

Leanne Vaughan Philipps, basics about drawing faces Sunday 19.

Simon Turk whittling workshop Sunday 19. Adults only all day.

Jane Richards pottery flowers Thurs June 23, 2pm to 4pm.

Riverside bee friendly planting Thursday June 24 morning drop in.

Tawe Guild of Spinners Weavers and Dyers all day Saturday 25.

Vivian Rhule felt workshop one day, drop in Sunday 26.

Ian Glendenning using telescopes for stargazing Tues, Friday.

Glenda Davies and members Stitch workshop drop in daily

For all enquiries or bookings contact Jane Carpenter 07749835542

Or email janegarnllwyd@aol.com



8 The Artists and Makers Emporium, Ynyswen



We are a group of artisans living in the Upper Swansea Valley with many years of experience between us.

Julia Harris, The Artists and Makers Emporium, Brecon Road, A4067, Ynyswen, Swansea SA9 1YP. 07973 717207

email: julia@juliaharris.wales



9 The Sculpture Garden, Osprey Studios, Penycae



Sculpture garden, display area and sculpture studio attached to my home. Also showing unique wooden sculpture bases by Graig Coed. Rebecca Buck, The Sculpture Garden, Osprey Studios, 57 Ynyswen, Penycae, Swansea SA91YT
07913743457 osprey.studios@btinternet.com



10 The Makers Gallery, Crickhowell



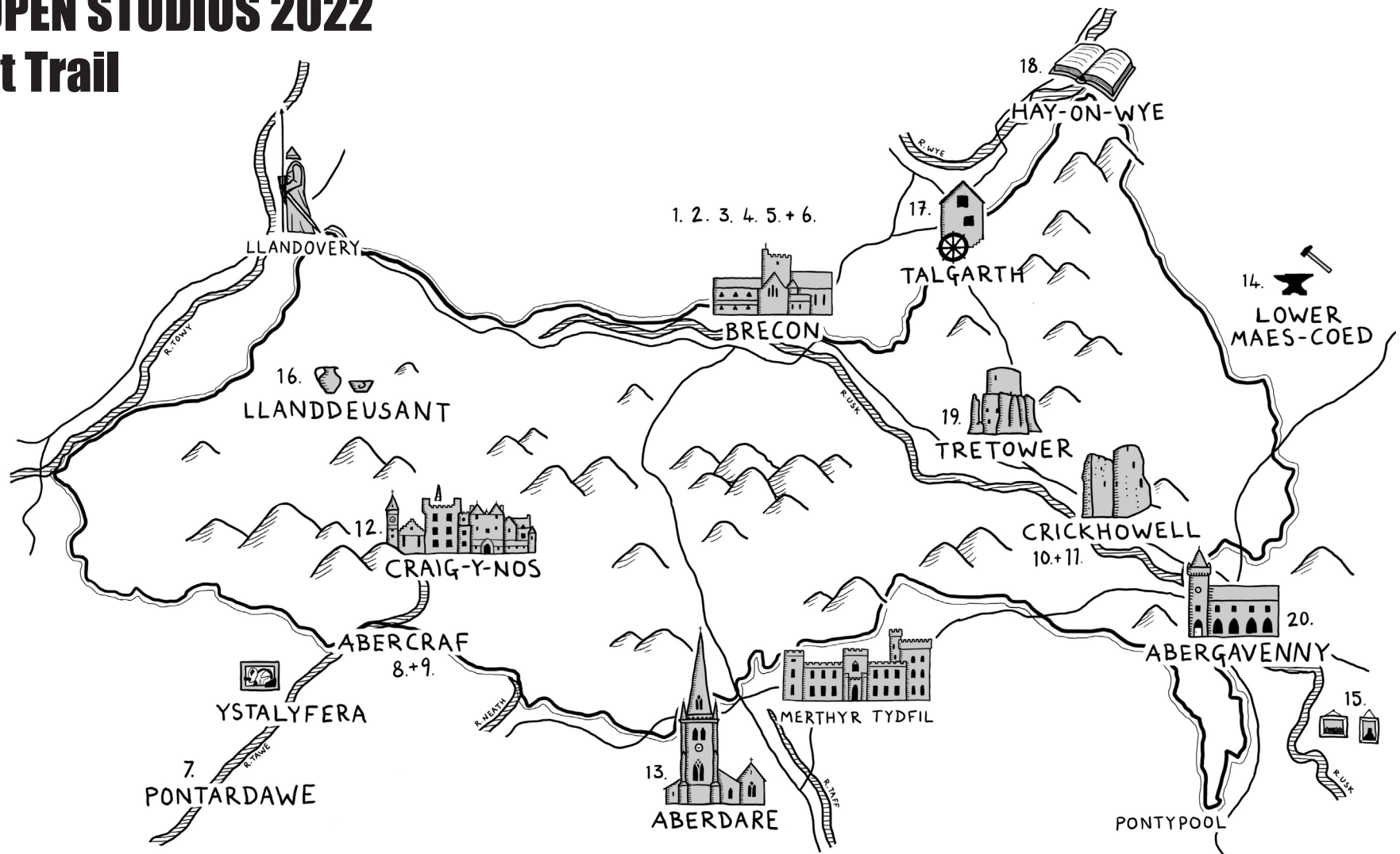
The Makers is a collective, with approximately twenty makers who also steward the gallery. There is also guest space for wall mounted or sculpture/installations. Guests are encouraged to be part of the stewarding rota. The guest exhibition room will also be open, and on Thursday 23rd you will see Crickhowell Guild of Spinners and Weavers demonstrating their crafts on a loom and spinning wheel. The Makers Gallery, Beaufort Street, Crickhowell, Powys, NP8 1AD. 07496 819093 email: crickmakers@gmail.com



BEACONS OPEN STUDIOS 2022

Crafts & Art Trail

Map



BRECON

1. Beacons Crafts
Bethal Square, Unit 8
LD3 7JP
3. Christine Williams
59 Pendre Gardens
LD3 9EP
5. Found Gallery
1 Bulwark
LD3 7LB

2. The Muse
Glanorgan Street
LD3 7DW
4. Ardent Gallery
46 High Street
LD3 7AP
6. Laura Dennis
13 Ship St
LD3 9AD

ABERCRAF

8. Julia Harris
The Artists Emporium
SA9 1YP
9. Rebecca Buck
Osprey Studios
SA9 1YT

CRICKHOWELL

10. The Makers
Beaufort Street
NP8 1AD
11. Cag Rodwell Glass
1 Llangenny lane
NP8 1AN

OTHER

7. Pontardawe Heritage Centre
The Old Stables, Herbert St,
Pontardawe, Swansea SA8 4ER
12. Craig-Y-Nos
Pen-y-Cae
SA9 1GL
13. St. Elvan's
Church Street
CF44 7AB

15. Craft Renaissance
Kemeys Commander
NP15 1JU
16. Carol Spackman
Criccae
SA19 9UP
17. Talgarth Mill
The Square
LD3 0BW

19. Tretower Court
NP8 1RF
20. Melville Centre
Pen-y-pound
NP7 5UD

11 Cag Rodwell Glass,



Carys Rodwell designs and produces contemporary art glass pieces and pictures with a quirky style. She uses vibrant colours in an imaginative and humorous way. Each piece is individually made in her home studio in Crickhowell.

Carys Rodwell Glass Art,
1 Llangenny Lane Crickhowell,
Powys, NP8 1AN
07932 653665
email: cagrodwell@aol.com



12 Craig-Y-Nos Country Park, Penycae



Beacons & Surround Walking Festival

Sat June 18 10:30am Walking with the Drovers Mark Davies.

3-4:15pm Country Park in Deep Time Alan Bowring.

Sun June 19 10:30am Foraging & Forest Bathing Adele Nozedar.

Tues June 21 3-4:15pm Country Park in Deep Time Alan Bowring.

Wed & Thurs 22 & 23 2pm Joseph Henman Trail & Visit to the Joseph Herman Collection.

Fri June 24 10am– 2pm A video walk with your ancestors, Nigel Evans / 3-4:15 p.m. Country Park in Deep Time – Alan Bowring.

Sat June 25 9:15am Amanda Yoga

Craig-Y-Nos Country Park, Penycae SA9 1FD



13 St Elvan's Church, Aberdare



Founded in 1852 and located in the centre of Aberdare, St Elvan's has recently undergone a £2 million renovation and is now reopened as a vibrant new space featuring concert and conference facilities, an exhibition gallery, meeting rooms and heritage tours together with Spires Coffee Shop. Exhibition - Here Be Dragons - throughout June & July featuring the work of sculptor Barry Lewis and others.
www.stelvans@gmail.com 01685 673126



14 Sophie Harris, Longtown



A former horse stables converted into a workshop.
Old Court Farm, Lower Maes-coed, Longtown, HR2 0HS.
07502 377228 Slhmetalsmith@gmail.com



15 Craft Renaissance, Usk



Arts and crafts gallery representing many local artists and makers including open studio of Lynne Littler sculpture.

Lynne Littler, Inspired Gallery at Craft Renaissance,
Kemeys Commander, Usk, Monmouthshire, NP15 1JU
07756 659802 lynne@inspiredgallery.co.uk



16 Carole Spackman



Home studio set in large wild garden next to an ancient wild flower meadow, just below the Black Mountain on a road leading to Llyn y Fan Fach. On show will be my ceramics and sculpture inspired by the wildlife, plants and

landscape of this western end of the Brecon Beacons National Park. Apart from pre-booked half day workshops on some days, I will be demonstrating my working methods.

Carole Spackman, Crincae, Llanddeusant, Llangadog ,
Carmarthenshire , SA19 9UP
01550 740619 email: carolepottery@gmail.com



17 Felin Talgarth Mill, Talgarth



The only working water-powered flour mill within the Brecon Beacons National Park. Mill tours, riverside garden, cafe, craft shop selling Welsh arts and crafts. We are hoping that Bridget Morgan will be able to hold workshops on site. If the weather is fine these could be held in the riverside garden but could be held in our on-site granary if the weather is wet. Felin Talgarth Mill, The Square, Talgarth, Powys, LD3 0BW 01874 711916 mike@talgarthmill.com



18 Oil & Oak, Hay-on-Wye



Gift shop and gallery featuring local makers crafts and artworks. Oil & Oak , 9 Castle Street, Hay-on-Wye, Wales, HR3 5DF 07532 442289 abioilandoak@gmail.com



20 Melville Centre for the Arts, Abergavenny



Saturday June 18 workshops:

Allison Neal – So you think you can't draw – sketching workshop

Francesca Kay – printmaking workshops with her letterpress printer

Pam Wesson – stitch mediation workshop

Emma Bevan – needle felting workshop

Comedy Night Monday June 20 Sarah Bridgeman MC (pictured)

The Melville Centre for the Arts, Pen Y Pound, Abergavenny

07496 819093 emma.events9@gmail.com



In addition...

As well as the wonderful range of venues available to visit, The Big Skill members will also be getting creative at other locations:

Abergavenny Arts Festival, Abergavenny Castle, 18th June. Activities from The Big Skill during this amazing day celebrating the arts in and around Abergavenny:

Bridget will be running upcycled workshops

Amanda will be running yoga classes

Georgia will be running macrame workshops

Their programme will be on their website and social media pages

You can book onto these via our website (see bottom of page)

Tretower Court, Tretower (venue 19 on map)

June 25 & 26:

Artisan Events Wales have organised a weekend Crafts Festival plus family friendly activities, out on the lawns of this medieval venue, free entry all weekend.

Tretower Court & Castle, Tretower, Powys, NP8 1RF

Emma Bevan 07496 819093 emma.events9@gmail.com

Please note that some opening hours across the 20-plus venues may vary, and it is recommended you check times with particular venues before setting off.

For more information, please visit www.thebigskill.com



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across the Brecons Beacons and
surrounding areas

Providing learning opportunities
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to all the community



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