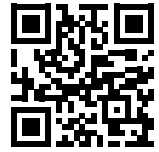


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FAREWELL EXHIBITION

The Kington based artisan co-operative, which has brought you beautiful work from local artists and makers since 2017, would like to say “Thank you!” to all our friends and visitors for their support over the last seven years.

Visit us this December for our final exhibition, including ceramics, paintings, prints, clothing & jewellery, sculpture, stone, wood, ironwork and basketry, cards and gifts.

This Farewell Exhibition, curated by Tessa Gavin, features creations from Rachael Blakeway, Sarah Fisher, Anna Lonsdale, Patricia MacCurrach, Jude Piper, Katie Welsh and Lea Williams, alongside work by our cooperative members: Nicki Cornish, Rebecca Finney, Jo Fletcher, Nancy Frost, Freya Gamble-Mapes, Tessa Gavin, Jane Keay, Celia Kibblewhite, Sue Leavett, Clare Lester, Clair Murphy & Helen Smith.

Open Tuesday to Saturday, 11am – 4pm, and Christmas Eve 11am-3pm

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2nd December - 31st January

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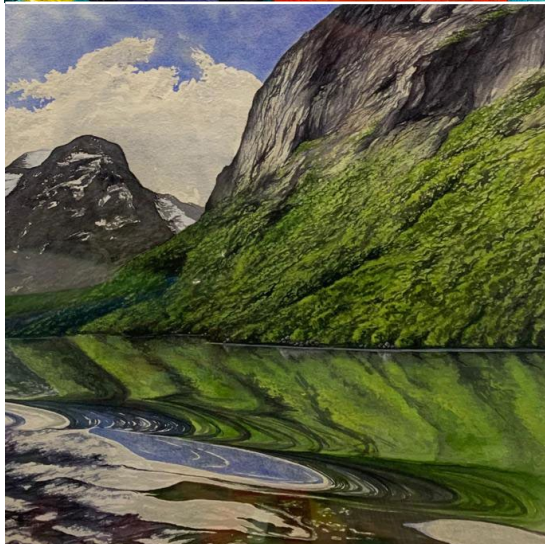
A selection of art work of over 60 artists studying at Giles Gallery under the tuition of Beth Giles BA. From oil to acrylic, watercolour to pen and wash and a vast range of subjects.

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Find your ideal original artwork or unique gift at affordable prices. Giles Gallery will be closed from December 25 and reopen January 9th. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy and healthy new year.

Giles Gallery of Pontyclun
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Saturday 10 - 4pm.



Giles Gallery, Old Methodist Chapel, Cowbridge Rd, Pontyclun, CF72 9EG



Giles Gallery Art Students Exhibition



2nd December - 31st January

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Explore Welsh Artistry at the 2023 Life: Full Colour Open Show Exhibition

The artistry and talent of Wales based artists takes centre stage once again at the 2023 Life: Full Colour Open Show exhibition in Caernarfon.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Life: Full Colour Open Show exhibition showcases an array of creative expressions, from traditional watercolour painting to contemporary photography. The exhibition celebrates the individuality, creativity, and passion of artists from across Wales.

The 2023 Life: Full Colour Open Show exhibition features a breathtaking collection of 55 artworks. These works were carefully selected from over 180 entries by the Life: Full Colour judging panel consisting of Life: Full Colour Founder Sara McKee, and artists Ann Lewis PRCA, Jocelyn Roberts and Andrew Jenkin.

At the heart of the exhibition is the commitment to supporting local talent. Sara McKee, Founder and Curator of Life: Full Colour, said: "It's always a challenge to choose the artwork for the Open Show with the range of creativity and talent of the artists we have in Wales. Our judges were impressed by the full spectrum of human emotions conveyed by the work selected, which ranges from joy to introspection. Each piece tells its own story, and we are proud to give artists – new, emerging and established – the opportunity to share it."



The Life: Full Colour Open Show features a talented group of artists, including: Alec Lewis, Alison Craig, Alison Ross, Angela Rigby Doble, Annie Belcourt, Carole King, Carolyn Owen, Carys Ann Hughes, Chris Cornwall, David Alderslade, Diane Evans, Donna Jones, Ewa Konior, Glenn Ibbitson, Grace Kentish, Helen Taylor, Jennifer Black, John Edwards, John Hicks, John Hughes, Karan Burgess, Katy Bott, Keith Hall, Kev Curtis, Lloyd Novelle-Jones, Lucy Woodhall, Madeleine Fox, Mary Thomas, Patricia Mowll, Peter Jepson, Peter Mattison, Ray Heaton, Simon Renshaw, Thomas Shea, Tom Horton and Wanda Garner.



Whether you are an art enthusiast, a collector, or simply someone who appreciates the diverse expressions of human creativity, the Life: Full Colour Open Show exhibition has something to offer to everyone. Immerse yourself in the beauty, culture and diversity of Welsh art.

See the exhibition at the Life: Full Colour gallery at 23-25 Hole in the Wall Street, Caernarfon. It is open until 23 December, with gallery hours from Wednesday to Saturday, 11am to 6pm.

Life: Full Colour now has a new online shop and the full Open Show collection is available to buy at www.lifefullcolour.co.uk.

Top L-R: Thomas Shea, Working Class Hero | John Hughes, The Workplace Mobbing Of Little John.
Bottom: Annie Belcourt, I Won't Go Quietly

OPEN SHOW

4 NOVEMBER - 23 DECEMBER 2023



Glenn Ibbitson



David Alderslade

Join us for the annual Life: Full Colour Open Show, showcasing diverse local talent in various art forms, now in its fourth year.

23-25 Hole in the Wall Street, Caernarfon
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"The Battle Within" | Natalie Stutely



"The Battle Within" is the painting that Natalie Stutely regards is her masterpiece. It took her four years and was completed in lockdown. This is the first time it has ever been exhibited in a gallery and Bluestone is immensely proud to have this privilege. She is fascinated with landscape and wildlife, and this is set in Glen Meavaig, Isle of Harris. The red deer stags will only engage in battle when both animals, challenger and the "Royal" recognise they are closely matched. Natalie says the title of the painting acknowledges our own internal struggles and torments, the eternal "battle within". I know that Natalie will paint more "masterpieces" – but this is a genuinely amazing tour de force.

Colin Davies handed in his notice as a head teacher a few years ago and followed his passion to paint. Working in oil and acrylic he made his name with his seascapes, ranging from raging waves to quiet contemplative seas. Colin rapidly became Bluestone's best selling artist. Now he has turned his eye from the coastline to the Welsh landscape, and

is again creating work which spans both the grandeur of Bannau Brycheiniog and the quieter, atmospheric feel exemplified by his painting of Llangorse Lake.



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"Film Noir" sculpture by Martin Norman

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Marvellous Makers & Awesome Artists

...10 of the Best Creative Gift Ideas
for Christmas 2023

Finding the right gift for that special someone isn't always easy. Our Christmas feature for 2023 offers so much choice and creativity, all unique and handmade by the most incredible and quite marvellous makers and awesomely talented artists.

From ceramics to glass, paintings to woodwork, the perfect gift is right here!

Nothing here is mass produced and every piece is made with love, care and enormous talent. What better way to support a local artist and show someone you care, than to buy a unique gift of art and handcrafted goodies!



1 Eastland Ceramics

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Wheel thrown stoneware ceramics made in Rhayader, mid Wales by Rebecca Eastland. Rebecca has a huge love of colour and that comes through in her work, she takes inspiration from the landscape around her and the beautiful coastline here in Wales. Rebecca strives for tactility in her work, to have items you don't want to put down, contrasting rough with smooth, she likes the traditional art form of ceramics but likes to put a contemporary feel to it.

Rebecca is currently exhibiting at the Aberystwyth winter fair www.aberystwythartscentre.co.uk/craft-fair/

*See Rebecca at the Hay Christmas Fayre
Saturday 9th December 10 - 4*

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'The Feather Lady' - Mandi Baykaa-Murray, Artist

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Mandi, fondly referred to as 'The Feather Lady,' an artist renowned for her distinctive artistry that involves painting on real moulted feathers using acrylic paint. Mandi's latest creations feature an array of feathers from various birds, adorned with intricately hand-painted backgrounds. The result is a stunning blend of nature's beauty and Mandi's creative genius. As 'The Feather Lady,' Mandi articulates her artistic vision, her love for nature, combined with her artistic talents, resulting in awe-inspiring artworks that resonate with both nature enthusiasts and art connoisseurs. Mandi invites you to explore her captivating world of feather art through her website, social media platforms.



3

Siân Hughes

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Keepsake gifts to treasure forever! Siân lovingly hand-crafts a wide assortment of unique, colourful stained glass decorations and ornaments from her workshop in Oswestry. Find a selection of Siân's work in her Etsy shop called Sian Hughes Creations; at Shrewsbury Arts & Crafts in Shrewsbury; or the Willow Gallery in Oswestry. Commissions and special requests happily undertaken!

Or maybe you fancy making your very own glass decoration? Why not spend a fun day getting creative at one of Siân's workshops in Oswestry. Gift vouchers available for an unusual present. Email Siân for more details.



4 Lisa Coles

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Glass artist Lisa Coles specialises in crafting unique artworks and vessels inspired by the beautiful Wye Valley. The versatility of glass captivates her. Lisa finds joy in controlling such a fragile medium, experimenting with a range of techniques to achieve a desired aesthetic. To bring her ideas to life, she meticulously hand-cuts and layers glass sheet, tiny glass chips, and powder, fusing them together in a kiln at temperatures around 800 degrees Celsius. Examples of Lisa's work are on display at the Made in Ross Gallery housed in the market House in the centre of Ross-on-Wye. In addition to her artistic pursuits, Lisa offers workshops in glass fusing, providing others with a hands-on experience to explore the artistry of glass.



5 Elaine Jones

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Christmas is nearly here and what better gift can be given than a handmade item made with passion and creativity.

With artworks and crafts to suit all pockets, Elaine Jones creates a variety of gifts, perfect for the festive season. From original paintings to decoupage art to crochet items, this list goes on.

Based near Llandovery, Elaine works in her old railway carriage studio and takes much inspiration from her surroundings in the Carmarthenshire countryside. Original artworks, fine art prints, along with many other artworks and crafts can be purchased straight from the studio, via her website and social media.





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Ether, Silver & Home

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This festive season Ether, Silver & Home, experiment with the classics to bring colour and light to your home.

Wood and resin turned decorations showcase a beautiful range of woods from Welsh Elm to English Walnut, combining them with bright iridescent colours to enhance the natural tones and grains, perfect to hang on the tree or around the fireplace. Their lamp range expands with new feature woods including Yew and forest green resin with custom sizes available. As always their bowls and napkin sets are ready to dress the tables on Christmas day and for years to come!



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Erin Lloyd Pottery

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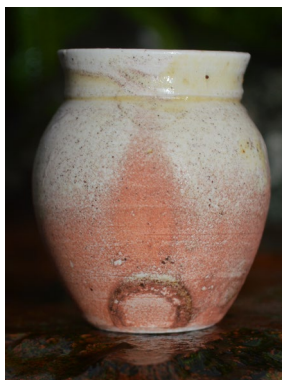
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I encapsulate the beauty of my immediate landscape within my pots through the use of foraged ochre and wild clay. By adding ochre to the glaze, the colours of the earth pigments are bestowed onto the surface of the pot. The ochre creates unique patterns on each pot reflecting the traces mankind leaves within nature, and the natural world on us.

I want to create a relationship between people and nature by showing how beautiful the natural world can be through mineral pigment colours. My work responds to the soil beneath our feet and our connection to the Welsh landscape.



8

Helen Higgins Ceramics

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Helen creates a range of quirky animals, featuring hares, donkeys, cats, dogs and ponies. Sometimes they wear a disguise or costume, a mask, a hat, theatrical make up ect. The artist explores the way that we humans often try to hide our true selves or vulnerabilities behind a mask or facade, pretending or taking on other characteristics.

Helen uses a range of hand building techniques and each piece is unique and individual. Sometimes they are wall hanging and others freestanding. She makes from a small studio at her home in South Wales and has recently enjoyed producing special commissions of pet portraits.



9

Chantel Ridley Fine Art & Collectables

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As a self taught artist living and working in Pembrokeshire, I'm predisposed to a love of the coast and through painting old harbours, cottages and the peeling boats prevalent in the landscape I endeavour to tell stories of the lives who created them.



Natural History Watercolour Artist -
Tracey-Anne Sitch.

Christmas events:

Abergavenny Street Market,
Saturday 9th December 9-5pm

Or find Tracey-Anne's work at:

Oriel Cric, Crickhowell
www.visitcrickhowell.wales

&

The Court Cupboard Gallery
Llantillo Pertholey, Abergavenny
www.courtcupboardgallery.co.uk



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Our beautifully decorated wooden stalls are located outdoors in St John Street, Working Street, Trinity Street and Hills Street. These pedestrian streets are very wide and so present no problem in allowing everyone to browse and shop safely.

Unlike the Christmas Markets you may find in other cities when you visit Cardiff, you can be assured that you will be purchasing original work from each and every one of our talented makers: bespoke silver jewellery, wooden turned gifts, original artwork across

all mediums, beautiful fused glass work, hand-thrown ceramics, handmade quilts and textiles and traditional pewter gifts to name just a few, combined with a variety of seasonal food and alcohol producers to create a vibrant Christmas atmosphere. You can also chat with them about their work, the making process, and discuss commissions if you wish.

Whilst we welcome returning exhibitors none of them rest on their laurels. As their craft is also their business, they are always creating new pieces of work thus ensuring that their stalls always look fresh and innovative. You will also see lots of new faces, testing out the market with their own work in our Taster Stalls, located in Trinity Street.

A comprehensive list of all participants can be viewed on our website now, including their trading dates, as not everyone takes part for the full event.

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www.traceyannesitch.co.uk



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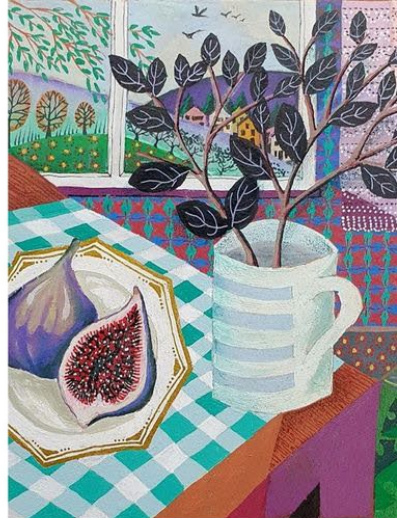
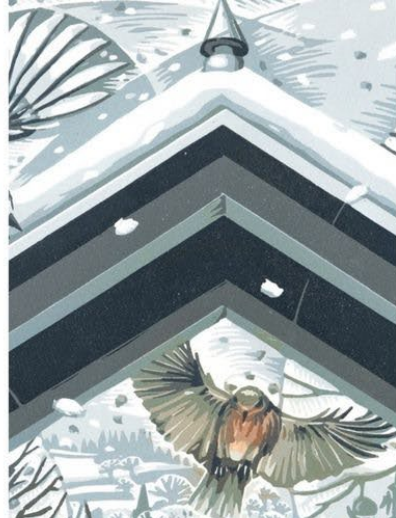
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