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Made Marches

12 Church Street, Kington HR5 3AZ

Artisan gallery showing work from local Artists and Makers, inspired by the beauty and essence of The Marches

Paintings, Prints, Ceramics, Glass, Jewellery, Textiles, Stone, Metal, Wood, Willow, Mixed Media, Gifts, Cards, Art Materials









11am - 4pm, Wednesday - Saturday

ade in the Marches is a venue to celebrate the work of established and emerging artists and makers, living and working the Marches of Herefordshire, Shropshire and Powys. Originally established as a family project, the gallery is also guided by a small cooperative of local artists, whose imaginative input and experience have helped create a vibrant hub of creativity and expression for Kington.

This characterful venue hosts themed, seasonal exhibitions featuring a diverse and changing collection of art and craft, reflecting the talent and essence of the region. This November and December, alongside new works from our co-op artists, we're offering some sparkle and joy with decorative ceramics from Steph Scott, gorgeously unique jewellery from Angela Soulier, and plenty more delights to discover!

www.MadeintheMarches.com

We believe that art is for everyone, and with that in mind, we have worked with some of our creative friends to offer a range of artist-designed kits: learn to hook and prog with Jenni Stuart-Anderson's rag-rugging kits, get 'Drawn to Nature' with Becca Finney's sketching starter kit, and make your own festive decorations with Freya Gamble's Origami Stars kit. We also stock a tempting range of high quality art materials at competitive prices.

Visit us this festive season for gifts and treats, from paintings and sculpture to artist-designed and handmade homewares; from alpaca hats and mitts to bio-printed silk, and a rich variety of original decorations and wonderful cards. We look forward to welcoming you soon.



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ith Christmas well on it's way, one of our favourite Welsh Makers is the fabulous Ewemoo. Offering a range of bespoke footstools in every colour imaginable, these magical and totally unique works of art are a must for any home or office space. From the original sheep foot stools to pigs and cows, there's a Ewemoo for everyone. And if bold bright colours aren't for you, there are wonderful natural and pastel tones available too.

Each foot stool is hand crafted in Wales, with care and attention to detail and lots of love. Whether you're gifting yourself (and who could blame you!) or buying one as a gift, it's sure to bring a smile to the face of everyone who sees it.

Order direct or visit them at the following events:

Hay Festival Winter Weekend 24 - 28th November

Royal Welsh Winter Fair 29th - 30th November

Cardiff Christmas Fair IIth Nov - I2th December

or at the Brecon craft market every third Sat of the month.

For any questions or queries, get in touch with Ewemoo direct via telephone or email and to keep up with their latest events and ever expanding range, follow them on social media pages Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.







isit Elmslie House over the weekend of Friday November 19th - Sunday November 21st where there will be a changing line up of makers over each day of the fair; 26 makers will be exhibiting each day, with over 50 in total over the weekend. featuring designer-makers who work in ceramics, jewellery, textiles, glass and wood, as well as artists and illustrators.

Despite COVID restrictions having been eased, an eye will still be kept on numbers in each of Elmslie's rooms so that everyone can enjoy a positive experience. The much-loved 'Cake Away' will return, with the option to enjoy homemade refreshments inside at the café at Elmslie House, or to take them away to savour at home.

The Blue Magpie Contemporary Craft Fairs are always huge fun and people return time and time again to discover more treasures from new and favourite makers. The number and diversity of the designer-makers who attend; the friendly atmosphere, with the chance for visitors to meet the makers, and the cake (and other tasty treats) from the Cake Away are part of what makes Blue Magpie Fairs firm favourites with both makers and visitors alike! As one recent visitor said, "It's an inspirational space, full of inspirational people and things!"

Last year's Digital Gift Guide was so popular, a new one is being created for this Christmas, which will available just before the Fair in November (via the Blue Magpie website and by email to newsletter subscribers). Featuring all the designer-makers who will be at the Fair, it's the perfect way to write your Christmas list and find gifts for your loved ones.

This year's Blue Magpie will also see the launch of Elmslie's new Workshop Programme. As the popularity of the Blue Magpie Contemporary Craft Fair grows, the team at Elmslie House decided to start a series of workshops from leading makers and designers throughout the year, so people can enjoy being creative all year round. Elmslie Creates' weekend workshops will start in March 2022 and take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month.

Admission to the fair will be £3 on the door (by cash or card, accompanied children under 16 are free), which includes a wrist band allowing entry for all three days and entry into the Makers' Raffle, with prizes from designer makers who'll be attending the Fair.

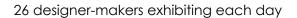
Don't forget to check the Blue Magpie website (www.bluemagpie.co.uk) for details of the Fair and makers, as well as following on Instagram (@bluemagpiecraft) and Facebook (@bluemagpie.co.uk).

CONTEMPORARY CRAFT FAIR Friday 19th, Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st November Admission: Adults £3, accompanied children go free. www.bluemagpie.co.uk









50+ inspirational art and craft stalls exhibiting over three days with the line-up changing daily

Plus - a tea room open all weekend!

Open 10.30 - 5.00pm daily

Wristband allows entry all weekend come as many times as you like!

@bluemagpiecraft

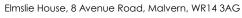












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The return of the Christmas Exhibiton & Gift Fair at Chapel Cottage Studio



fter missing last year due to the covid 19 crisis, we are thrilled to invite you to join us again this year for the return of our annual Christmas Exhibition & Gift Fair.

One of the highlights of our calendar, this event is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the incredible talent that this area has to offer. You can expect to find a beautiful varied exhibition of original art work by Jantien Powell as well as some amazing guest artists and talented students from the area PLUS a great selection of prints, greetings cards and even books featuring original artwork.

Alongside the exhibition is a wonderland of a gift fair where you can pick up those perfect, one of a kind, hand made gifts that you just won't find in the shops. Ranging from incredible handmade feltwork and

beautiful basketry to stunning ceramics and hand made jewellery – you really will find something for everyone.

Why not beat the queues at the check outs and come and make a start on your Christmas Shopping with us — mulled wine and mince pie in hand! It's the most enjoyable way to pick up truly beautiful and unique gifts that really have been made with love, plus you'll be putting a smile on the face of a local artist or maker at the same time — Christmas cheer all round! Tea, coffee, warm mulled wine and mince pies will be on offer, with twinkling lights and Christmassy music to set the mood — Christmas shopping at it's very best!

Saturday 27th November – Sunday 28th November, 10am – 4pm each day. FREE entry

Chapel Cottage Art Studio

Christmas Exhibition & Gift Fair



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Crafted For Christmas

The Best Handmade Gifts For Christmas 2021

> ith the countdown firmly on for Christmas 2021, now's the time to seek out the ultimate gift inspiration. This November, we've selected some of the very best British makers, from hand thrown pottery, glazed to perfection, to detailed textiles capturing landscapes like no other, glistening glass, to mixed media masterpieces plus lots more. Nothing says you care more than something personal and unique and that's exactly what we have here. Get ahead of the rush and order these creative gifts now!"

SUE MULCOCK

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The felt-making process enables hand-dyed colours of wool, silks, fabrics and yarns to be laid, like pastel brushstrokes, to create rich blends of colours and textures, before being bonded together by soap, water and physical manipulation. The pieces acquire extra texture and depth when further embroidered.

Based on waterfalls, Susan's best known work attempts to capture the light effects and rapid movement of water over the exposed underlying rock structure, but as the seasons change, she enjoys the ever changing palette of the landscape.



Sue's work is presently shown at Erwood Station Gallery and The Willow Gallery, Oswestry.









KARIN MEAR

7 TIDELINE CERAMICS

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stoneware ceramics, inspired by the sea

on, and surrounding, our local beach -

to the soft tawny sand, flowing seaweed,

colours in the coastal farmland. All those

interesting things you can find on the tide

line: barnacle covered old rope; colourful

rock pools; driftwood, bright washed up

everyone likes a reminder of the sea and

fishing buoys and lobster pots are inspiration. From mugs and bowls through

to statement bottles and vessels,

deep blue horizon and ever-changing

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Send a card this Christmas

Karin Mear is a painter, working from a tiny studio in her garden in Aberdare. She also produces greeting cards featuring her own unique and quirky designs. They can be purchased from: The Makers Gallery, Crickhowell, The Hours Cafe and Bookshop, Brecon and The Wool Stall, Aberdare Market. They are also available online from her Etsy shop, Thewelshhat. Karin also offers art workshops and is available for talks.











THE SHED BY THE STREAM - JENI PAIN

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In a shed by a stream in my little bit of Wales I create cheerful and quirky pieces of art, using ceramic, driftwood, beach treasure, scavenged wire and re-purposed fabric.

I love the magic of clay with its endless possibilities and have been playing with it for 30 years.

When not in the Shed, you may find me at the beach, collecting treasure and trash in equal amounts!

My work can be found in several Galleries in Wales, at shows and exhibitions as well as on my website. I am always happy to discuss commissions.



6 SEASALT POTTERY

Instagram: @seasaltpottery www.seasaltpottery.etsy.com

I make unique wheel thrown ceramics from my home studio on the welsh coast. I produce a range of unique items that are inspired by beaches, sand dunes, seashells and the ocean.

I mostly work with stoneware clay and fire to 1250*c. Mugs, ramen bowls, butter dishes and carved vases are some of the items produced.

Please check out my etsy shop for current stock.



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Judith works from her home in Penarth creating kiln-formed glass art specialising in free-standing three dimensional pieces, framed glass pictures and her trade-mark trellis dishes as well as decorations, all inspired by the natural world of seascapes and gardens. A member of the Contemporary Glass Society, Judith has displayed in the Washington Gallery, Penarth, Y Galeri, Caerphilly, Penarth Pavilion and Penallt Art Festival. A highlight of her career was being selected to make trophies for the National Eisteddfod in Abergavenny in 2019.

See & purchase Judith's work at Artisans Corner in Penarth. Get in touch direct to discuss commissions.







ELLIE BURTON GLASS

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I am fascinated by the fluidity of hot glass and the control required to work with it.

I particularly enjoy allowing the material to dictate the form of the pieces in a natural way. My work has been developed through experimenting with layering different colours both solid and frit, to see how it affects the final form.

I am inspired by the way Mother Nature reclaims many aspects of human life - both architectural and other forms of everyday life. I am currently working on some new ideas inspired by the natural events of the past year.













SHAUN HALL RAKU

Shaun's work will be featured in a brand new book published by the Crowood Press in January 2022. Called

'Contemporary Raku', it's authored by acclaimed potter Stephen Murfitt. As well as Shaun's innovative work it features leading Raku specialists Tim Andrews, David Roberts, Patricia Shone and others.

Shaun's Raku meanwhile can be purchased at the beautiful 'Erwood Station Gallery' at Landeillo Grabban, Builth Wells.



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Stephen Murfitt

RAKU

Etsy shop - 'Shaunpots'.
You can also check out
'Shaunpots' on Instagram
and see his latest
creations.



he inspiration to create that many people find in nature, be it through painting, drawing or writing is very much in evidence in CRiC (Crickhowell Resource & Information Centre) in the carefully selected range of books, cards, advent calendars and gift. The welcoming small downstairs retail area reflects the enjoyment and respite people gain from the Welsh landscape and offers a perfect introduction to the area with much to browse and enjoy.



Tracy Newman, David England & Paul Burgess.

The upstairs oriel cric gallery's autumn exhibition has struck a chord with visitors who have found the variety on offer particularly uplifting. With the festive season fast approaching new work is arriving regularly adding to the colourful dynamic offering. Rhian Symes's new painting 'Swan on the

Move' pays tribute to her unique vision and use of watercolour. Working to a smaller scale has not diminished her ability to capture wildlife and reflections in a remarkable manner.

The gallery is delighted to have recently welcomed new exhibitor Linda Beech offering her creations under the banner of Trysorau Cymraeg - Welsh Treasures. Linda says of her work, "I am lucky enough to live and work in close proximity to both glorious Welsh beaches and the beautiful Brecon Beacons. I am surrounded by natural beauty, inspiring scenery and an abundance of raw materials for my work as a sculpture artist. My designs are made from driftwood found while walking my dog along our wonderful shorelines". Her sculptures have added great charm by capturing traditional coastal and rural Welsh scenes so beautifully that they are indeed 'Welsh Treasures'.

The exhibition will continue to be refreshed before the re-hang with new work for the festive Christmas/Winter exhibition which starts mid-November ending CRiC's fifteenth year on a high note with a wonderful mix of jewellery, sculpture, glass, ceramics, printmaking and paintings.

Current opening hours for CRiC are Monday to Saturday 9.30 to 4.30 Crickhowell Resource & Information Centre, Beaufort Street, Crickhowell, NP8 1BN www.orielcric.wales



Swan on the Move in Watercolour by Rhian Symes



Autumn exhibition continues until 13 November

Christmas exhibition 16 November - 11 January 2022

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Dannie Z Alexander

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Dannie Z Alexander is a Printmaker and Artist living and working in the heart of the Cotswolds.

She makes original prints, images and paintings. Her work is often influenced by folklore, myth and storytelling, by the land and it's lore and it's rich diversity of wildlife.

Whilst her work is frequently illustrative in nature she also enjoys making further explorations into texture, mark making, abstraction and design.

Original prints, greetings cards and other works are available from her website. (UK sales only).

Dates for live events are notified in advance on social media.





Top: 'The Whimble from Evencoed. A gathering of crows at eventide', Bottom Left: 'The Presence', Bottom Right: 'The Wait'

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Jane Keay

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I have lived and worked in the Welsh borderlands most of my life, inspired by the grandeur, and the simplicity of the landscapes around me. I'm a self taught artist, where drawing and painting is very much part of my being, allowing expression of feelings, and emotions, everything that I see, feel, touch, and sense, around me.

I work adding several layers of watercolours over the top of both inks, and pencil, shadowing the illustrative works of Tunnicliffe, Rackham, and the amazing Robinson brothers. This technique allows me to capture a sense of a landscape of the mind, body, and spirit, which then, tells its own story.



Lyn Art Wales

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My paintings are inspired by the stunning coastline, harbours and villages of West Wales (particularly Pembrokeshire) and my style reflects the bold colours and outlines of this beautiful location. I have lots of very affordable prints and canvases in various sizes, for sale as well as greeting cards. All are taken from my original paintings.

If your looking for a special present for someone for Christmas or a reminder of a memorable holiday to this area, take a look at my shop for ideas. Greeting cards are only £2.50 each with free P&P and can be used for any occasion.









Colin J Davies Art

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Inspired by the beautiful coastline and mountains of his home, the work of artist Colin Davies depicts the power and vitality of the ocean surrounding the Gower peninsular. His expressive style is created with the generous application of oils or acrylics using a palette knife, often finished with brushwork detail. Textural contrast creates mood and an impression of movement in his paintings.

Colin's atmospheric representation of the rugged beauty of the welsh coastline is emerging as a popular, commissioned choice for collectors and is available on-line and at galleries across the country.



Left to right: 'Rock Dance', 'Gold Rush', 'Azure Crescendo'



Susan Stevens-Jenkins

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A tiny garden studio in rural Herefordshire is where I create lino-cut prints and cards. While seasonal changes inspire the colours I use, the designs are informed by flowing lines and forms found in nature.

The prints are produced in small, limited editions by hand-burnishing onto fine Japanese papers.

I have recently used some of my prints in vibrant collages of the birds that have visited my garden during the year. These are now available as a Calendar and greetings cards, professionally printed by a local company.













Giles Gallery Exhibition

Artist Lorraine Newman Howells
November 7th-28th

Lorraine (Newman) Howells began painting in 1974 and exhibited around the UK and in Brittany at the Festival De Celtique with the Artichoke Gallery also at the Edinburgh Festival. In 1979 the Arts Council of Wales purchased one of her paintings titled 'Sunday Bloody Sunday' for its collection. She won first prize at the Rhondda Heritage Open Art Competition and had an exhibition at the same gallery later.



Lorraine is self taught and influenced by Surrealism, Cubism, Picasso, Ernest and more recently Freud. Her work is an emotional response to everyday life. Exhibited at Welsh Artist of the year, One Man show at Silures Gallery, Porthcawl and Exhibited at the Open Art Competition at 'Y Galeri' Caerphilly. Lorraine is a regular contributor at Giles Gallery, and we are pleased to exhibit this latest collection.





Giles Gallery Exhibition

Lorraine Newman Howells



7th - 28th November 10am - 4pm

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

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Christmas Delights

Seasonal offerings from local artists

18th November to 19th December

Wed - Fri 10 am to 3pm: Sat, 10am to 1pm

Also open h.Art weekends, 27th/28th November and 4th/5th December, 10am to 3pm





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