



Abergavenny Art Group – Summer 2018

Our Programme

With the Annual Exhibition over again for another year, we look forward to resuming our events programme in September. Malcolm Meadows is presenting an illustrated talk about Toulouse-Lautrec on 10th September and then on 24th September you are challenged (if you wish) in our Workshop to paint in Lautrec's style!

As always our events are detailed on our website www.abergavennyartists.co.uk together with other news and pictures.

We were sad to hear that Andrea Jackman has left the Art Group. Accordingly our Facebook presence is lacking at the moment. Volunteers, one step forward please!

The en Plein Air Painting Competition

This was to have taken place on Sunday 29th July but after such a long period of warm and dry weather the forecast for the Sunday was so horrendous that the painting competition was postponed. No date has been fixed for this yet, so keep an eye on our website for the latest.

Abergavenny Arts Festival 2018

For the first time Abergavenny had its own Arts Festival at the end of June. There were many events organised including theatre, photography, music, sculpture, and open-studios. For us the highlight of the weekend was the Arts Market on 1st July when we had six stalls showing off our artwork almost exclusively to the "water" theme. Our thanks go to all of you who contributed artwork and assisted on the day. We look forward to next year's Arts Festival.

Visit www.abergavennyartists.co.uk/artsfestival for further information and pictures about the festival.

The Annual Exhibition

This year we are pleased that our exhibition returned to Holy Trinity Church Hall in Baker Street. The exhibition was opened by Mr David Tod, President of Abergavenny's Rotary Club and the Featured Artist was Mary James who had taken on the challenge of the "water" theme by producing numerous landscapes and

seascapes featuring parts of the Pembrokeshire coastline.

We thank Dr Tim Stinchcombe for loaning us three pencil sketches of local scenes drawn by his mother and our former President Mrs M C Stinchcombe who died last year.

The main raffle was of a print of one of local artist, David Haswell's paintings that had kindly been donated by Avril and Phil Jones. The winning ticket was bought by Mr and Mrs Bookess of Abergavenny.



The public's choice of "Favourite Painting" was an oil painted landscape (shown above) entitled *Storm over Llangorse Lake* by Linda Wood. Well done Linda !

The entries from students of King Henry VIII School were striking and many visitors passed praiseworthy comments upon them.

We had a greater number of visitors to the exhibition than the previous year and we sold twenty paintings. The number of entries were less than previous years, but we managed to fill the displays by using the reserve paintings. We hope to encourage more members to submit work in 2019.

Visit www.abergavennyartists.co.uk/exhibition for pictures and details.

Our Stall in Abergavenny Thursday Market

The market has become a combined farmers' market and art and crafts market. Linda Wood is continuing with the stall; it is a chance to have your artwork on display and for sale to the public. It is also an opportunity to advertise the Art Group and its activities.

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