



June 2017 Newsletter

Welcome new members: Becca Allen and Susan Taylor (do join our Facebook Page)

At the **MAY MEETING Lindsey Cole** demonstrated how she starts each painting with a black & white plan created with charcoal and a rubber using it to select and simplify her reference. From this sketch she would prepare a painting in acrylic or other mediums. Her first step for the demo piece was to cover the whole support with modelling paste creating texture with a palette knife and flattening the peaks. Once this was completely dry paint was pushed into every crevice of the texture. Continuing with a dry brush she built up her colours brushing against the texture using light colours on dark and dark on light to draw out the raised areas. Working towards finishing the picture she added oil pastel, scrim and thread in the negative spaces, merging them into the picture. The result was a fascinating 3D effect. Lindsey is kindly going to complete the painting at home and donate it to us for raffle at the Summer Exhibition. (Thanks Brenda for the write-up).

The five images for **HILLIER'S EXHIBITION** advert have been selected. Thank you to everyone who sent their wonderful images. We will ensure that one image from all members who forwarded images will be used in the summer exhibition poster (excluding the selected five). Just to let you know we have had discussions with Hillier's to have an exhibition there every other year.

SOUTHAMPTON CITY ART GALLERY visit guided tour of the conservation work undertaken by SCAG: should be a fascinating insight. July 11th: limited to 15 and cost to be divided by those attending (£5 if we have the 15 – a bargain). At the moment not many on the list so please do support this and join us. Contact Brenda cwmolyneux2@btinternet.com or see her at the June meeting.

SUMMER EXHIBITION: Being brought to the June and July meetings are exemplars of acceptable standards of framing (images will also be put on the website), stewarding board sign-up and summer exhibition posters. The exhibition paperwork will be sent out to all members shortly.

WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN PAINTING THE OUTSIDE OF A GUEST HOUSE? I have been contacted by the owner of Brimar Guest House (www.brimar-guesthouse.co.uk) in Totton who wishes to put his guest house on the map and have the outside painted by an artist! Subject matter, scope and approaches to be discussed. Interested? - please contact Peter Davies on 02380 282967 or peter@daybright.co.uk

MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE: At the end of May the number stands at 72. We have welcomed a number of new members. Let's make sure they do feel welcomed and please keep recruiting!