Bolton Art Circle In Touch

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New Book by Geoff Kersey

A good sky is the key to successful landscape Painting.

A revised and updated edition of Painting Skies which includes material from Geoff's Top Tips for Watercolour Artists, 'How to Paint Skies', uses photographs as Geoff explains colour, perspective and composition, with exercises of washes, brushwork, clouds, sunsets and more to demonstrate techniques further.

It can be bought through the SAA for £9.99 GKHPSB

Get 'How to Paint Skies' Book PLUS Geoff's 'Improve your Skies' DVD for **£14.99 SAA GKHPS1**

Picture Post

This month we have pictures by, Kevin Gillibrand, Sam Leigh (2), Eric Bromley (2) and David Halliwell.

Workshop Overload !

Over recent years, the popularity of the two daytime meetings has almost exceeded the available space, tables and chairs. A



complete contrast to the days when our Circle Committee was contemplating the closure of the Wednesday Group due to declining attendances.

The situation nowadays is that there are generally several available tables on Thursday evening. The Thursdayers may not enjoy the culinary delights provided by Sam Leigh's wife on a Wednesday, but there is still a convivial atmosphere if you want a bit more space for your artistic endeavours

Old "A-Frame" stands for sale

Bolton Art Circle Art Stands are available for sale at £2 each if anyone is interested. There are about 23 in total. Please contact any committee members for more information.

Workshops.

Debra Butterworth will be holding a water soluble oil landscape workshop at Highfield Hall on Saturday, March 25, 2017, from 10am - 4pm. The cost will be £20. You will need to supply your own lunch. If anyone would like to





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attend who doesn't have any oils, Debra will have some available to loan.

Paul Talbot-Greaves will be holding a Watercolour workshop on Saturday, April 22, 2017, from 10am - 4pm. The cost will be £20. You will need to supply your own lunch.

Both these events are being subsidised by the Circle.

Rivington

Ian Trotman was at Rivington and called in the visitor centre to ask about the next Art Circle exhibition there, which was scheduled to take place in 2017 (We had the last one in 2014). He was told there is a date available in July starting Saturday 1st July till Wednesday 9th August. Ian has booked this.

He'd like to know how many people are interested. It was a good event last time when we sold about £300 worth of paintings. We need about 40 to 50 pictures no larger than 20 x 16 inches. The total number will depend on the size of the pictures. No picture fixings will be required as they are displayed on shelves. They want **Ian** to contact them with a definite booking as soon as we know how many people are taking part.

There is no charge for the event, but they ask for a 10% donation from pictures sold, to go to a charity. **Ian** has a copy of the terms and conditions for members who need more information.

Royal Bolton Hospital

Paintings for the main corridor at Bolton Hospital should be in by Monday, March 6, or Wednesday Pictures will be selected from the first 20 pictures brought in to Highfield.

Paintings should be brought to Highfield by Monday, March 6; but the final date is 3pm, Wednesday, 8 March.

Because paintings will be chosen from the first 20 paintings submitted, you will stand a better chance if you submit them by March 6. Each person may submit one painting, Please note the maximum size of paintings for submission is 16in x 12in.

<u>AITP</u>

We now have the details for Art in the Precinct in August this year.

If you wish to book, please contact our Chair, **Lesley Taylor** to check availability before sending your money as booking will be brisk if last year is anything to go by,

Member's Exhibition at Haworth

George Pott (Member) and friends are holding an art exhibition now at the Haworth Art Gallery, Manchester Rd, Accrington BB5 2JS. Tel: 01254 233782. We have been assured it is a very good exhibition. The exhibition is called Open Focus and is on until April 16, 2017. Opening times for the gallery are Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 12 noon -4.45pm. Sat & Sun 12 noon - 4.15pm. Mondays & Bank Holidays are closed.

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