

### Hello from Barry

It has been an interesting ride, being Chair of Richmond Art Society and before that being involved in setting up the exhibitions and various other activities. Much has been enjoyable, especially working with a great team on the Committee. But, there have been a few stressful times. As Chair you are always in the thick of it which is good, but I feel that it is a position that should not be held by one person for too long a period. I will have completed 3 years at the end of March 2017 and I think it is time that I stand down before my store of ideas runs completely dry. Other family matters are also leading me to this decision, so I will have to pass on the baton, but with my thanks to all in the Society.

### Our New President



Welcome to our new President John Iddon, of John Iddon Fine Arts. John is looking forward to working with us and we are sure he will be a great help to the

Society. John was immediately pressed into service and kindly opened our second exhibition of the year (see more below), having already opened the Landmark exhibition.

### Winter Exhibition



We had a display of fine art once again and very positive comments. Caroline and Cath the exhibition organisers had a lot of work to do and all those who helped really made the event a success despite a new set of obstacles. The building was at the start shrouded in scaffolding and we were unable to put up our large banner; we had to move out 60 chairs and 20 tables from the Vestry and then return them. Thanks to Richard for organising the van so that we could get the items to and from the storage facility. Visitor numbers were down on the first day, but picked up later in the week when the scaffolding had gone. Sales of work were up 14, card sales well up, but because the works sold were of a lower value revenue was reduced. Congratulations to our artists who received the most votes from our visitors for the favourite picture -

1<sup>st</sup> - Richmond Bridge by Susan Mannion  
Joint 2<sup>nd</sup> - Summer at Pen Ponds, Richmond Park by Michael Hart and St. Margaret's Railway Bridge with Jackdaws by Martin Davison.

### Lecture Programme

I hope you are all enjoying this season's lectures. Here is a taster of some of the topics that should be on offer for 2017/18 'Art of Revolutionary Russia'

'Modigliani'

'Renaissance Drawing'

'Women Artists in Britain'

'Reflections: Van Eyck & the Pre-Raphaelites'

### Website

Don't forget to let me ([barryjohnharrison@btinternet.com](mailto:barryjohnharrison@btinternet.com)) know about your upcoming exhibiting for the News section.

**Autumn Get Together** - The Lass of Richmond was the venue for a delightful evening where there was a chance for our active artists and lecture goers to get together for chat, drinks and nibbles. We hope to have another gathering in 2017.

### New Exhibiting Members

Congratulations to those who were accepted as exhibiting artists in October:-.

**Robert Aldous, Paulette Bates, Hugh Dalzell**

**Catherine Evans**

The next selection day is Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

### Members' News and Views

**Martin Davison** - A member of the Society for nearly twenty years, has been selected by the Borough of Richmond upon Thames Arts Department for a one-man show in the prestigious Orleans House Stables Gallery in Twickenham. Five weeks from 9 February to 19 March 2017, seventy or more drawings, paintings and other artefacts will be on show. Open Tuesdays to Sundays, 10.00 am

to 5.00 pm, admission free."



Orleans House – Stables Gallery

**Jim Mcluskey** - Contact Jim to see the permanent exhibition of his paintings, photographs and books at 3 St. Margarets Road, Twickenham, TW1 2JN. To view ring 020 8892 5704'.

**Janet Wolchover** - Richmond Printmakers are exhibiting a wide variety of original prints at the Rose Theatre in Kingston from March 1st to 30th in theatre opening hours.

**Celia Checker** – recommends the Offer Waterman Gallery, 17 St George Street, London W1S 1FJ where her daughter is associate director, She says it is a nice gallery whatever is on. The latest exhibition is of Robert Rauschenberg's transfer drawings.

**Barry Harrison** will have works at the SGFA Bankside Exhibition –Bankside Gallery 11am to 6pm, 6th to 18th June 2017 (PV 6th June from 6pm), [below – Cherry Pickers]

