



WINTER EXHIBITION

Our Winter exhibition this year was in a new venue, The Atrium Parkshot, Richmond Adult Community College. It was a very different experience from the Vestry House where we have previously held our winter exhibitions. It was felt that the membership (exhibiting members in particular) were more than satisfied despite lower than usual sales of artworks off the wall. We did sell, however, 254 cards and more work from the browsers. Stewarding was fairly lively with people passing through from the reception to the coffee shop. An almost impossible task to say how many people viewed the exhibition.

SUMMER PARTY

Our Chairman Pete Swann, hosted a delightful (late) summer party in September, attended by at least 30 members, including many recent recruits. A rather chilly evening failed to dampen the spirits and people brought wine and delicious nibbles to add to the joy.



It was a great opportunity to get to know one another better and talk about art, shoes, ships, sealing wax, cabbages, kings etc! We hope to repeat the experience next year.

SOCIAL SECRETARY

At our last committee meeting we felt we could do more to enhance the social life of our society especially in the summer. We felt the occasional picnic would be good or a perhaps some plein-air painting sessions. Social group visits to exhibitions might also be considered. We would very much like someone to join our friendly and supportive committee to take on the role of organising such events. If you feel this is something you would like to do please contact Chairman Peter Swann.

NOTES

An opportunity to show your work in the Atrium Parkshot in February in the **Works on Canvas and Paper** Exhibition. Go to www.artsrichmond.org.uk for details and submission forms.

The RAS will hold its next exhibition in the Landmark 4-7 May 2018.

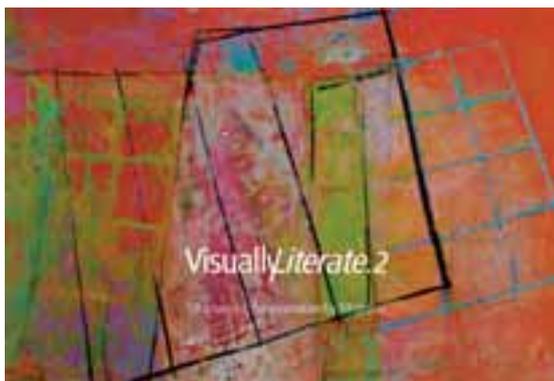
MEMBERS NEWS AND EVENTS

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59 artworks, the inspiration for 59 stories

KAOS Artists invited members of the Creative Writing courses at Kingston Adult Education in Surbiton to create stories, poems and flash fiction, taking their inspiration from 59 artworks, which included paintings, drawings, printmaking, photograph, ceramics and sculpture.

The resulting exhibition at the Menier Gallery in Central London is a testimony to their combined creative collaboration. The artists are some of the members from four art groups based in Kingston, Kew, Merton and the surrounding areas: KAOS Artists, Hawks Road Artists based at ASC Studios Kingston, Kew Studio and Merton Arts Festival.



RAS members exhibiting: Diane Gerrard, Annette Kaye, Loraine Monk, Caroline Sayer, Richard Tomlin, Jude Wild, Nataliya Zozulya.

Late Night Preview

Tues 16 Jan, 6-8.30pm featuring selected readings by a number of the writers.

Menier Gallery

51 Southwark St, SE1 1RU
www.meniergallery.co.uk

The Menier Gallery is situated within the historic Menier Chocolate Factory and is located at the heart of one of London's artistic hubs. Just two minutes' walk from Borough Market and five minutes from Tate Modern. Disabled access.

The nearest Underground and National Rail station is London Bridge. The RVI and 381 buses stop outside the Gallery.

From 21 December Annie Leach has a reproduction of one of her paintings (full size) on display at the Tideway Open Air Gallery in Carnwath Road Fulham. Anne says "It's a great venue and the exhibition is on for the next 2 years."



TRIBUTE TO MARTIN DAVISON

We are very sorry to announce that one of our long time members, Martin Davison, passed away in November. He was a full-time painter and musician from the early 1990's, after retiring from a productive and creative life in industry. For over ten years he was a member of the Richmond Art Society's committee as its press and publicity officer doing an invaluable task promoting the Society. His work was very varied and explorative and his contribution to the Society will be very much missed.

NEW EXHIBITING MEMBERS

Congratulations to members who in October 2017 were selected to show work in the Society's exhibitions. We look forward to seeing art work in future exhibitions from the following:

Friedel Bueking, Pauline Calais, Claudio Calvi, Veronica Calvi, Sophie Coe, Penelope Duszynski, Diane Gerrard, Jessica Goodall, Linda Griffiths, Jules McDonald, Ann Saunders, Karen Thomas, Rue Turner.

Next Selection Days

Please note the next selection date for potential exhibiting members is Saturday 24th February 2018.

Further selection days take place on 23 June and 13 October 2018.

Members who know friends or associates who might be interested in joining the Society and showing their work should ask them to contact John Brigden by email: john.brigden0@googlemail.com or by telephone 020 8941 0960. John is very happy to talk through the process and help with the application.