

Social Event and Abstract Art Demonstration by Richard Heys

16th May 7.30pm at Hurst Community Centre, Hurst Road, Bexley DA5 3LH, in the large hall.

Check out Richard Heys' website: https://www.singulart.com/en/artist/richard-heys-26147



If you would like to bring a picture or other art work, we can display them on tables round the hall. There are refreshments and a raffle. Parking available.

Entry is free for members of Bexley Arts Trust.

If you wish to attend but are not a member, you can join on the night, it's only £5, lasts a year and gives you a reduction if you enter works in our exhibitions.

If you intend to come, email John Davey at **Bexley_Arts_Trust@outlook.com** or text 077 8631 5067

We look forward to seeing you.

Our Last Two Exhibitions at Hall Place Stables Gallery

We have to take the gallery when it is available as it's fully booked a long time in advance. So this time we had one exhibition before Christmas and another one that this April. A bit close together, but we had plenty of submissions for both exhibitions to make great shows. We also did well with the sale of works in both exhibitions, which considering the current financial climate, was a big surprise.

What everybody was asking for! The Shop has gone from the gallery.

The big change is that the shop that took up space in the gallery has finally gone just before the latest exhibition. This is good news for all exhibitors as it makes more space to view art and we can display more works.

Plus, Hall Place will **NOT** be charging a commission on sold works in future. We may have to increase our commission slightly to cover our increased costs of handling sales, but artists will be better off when selling works.

There is the down-side that we will have to manage the sales ourselves and make certain the exhibition is fully stewarded in future. However, overall, it's very positive result.





Classes and Groups

There are a number of classes in and around Bexley in various locations that teach painting, pottery and sculpture, generally they are much cheaper than the official classes held at Bexley's Learning and Enterprise College.

If you have an art related group and need more members or run a class or know people who are, let us know and we will publicise it.

ARTLAB adult art lessons, every Wednesday evening during term times at Cleeve Park School, Sidcup, 6.30 to 9pm, £12 per session includes free tea/coffee and biccies and most materials. Suitable for all abilities.

Come have a go at printing, sculpture, mixed media, painting, batik and more! Emphasis on fun! For details call Sandie on 07931 824110 or go to https://sandiecamilleri.wixsite.com/artlab

A new art group is starting soon.

The Friends of Lesnes Abbey are starting an Art Group.

For further information, see the end of our News Latter.

Let Us Know of Your Events

If you are organizing exhibitions, concerts, theatre productions or anything of interest, let us know and we will put a link on our website or if we get them in time, in the next newsletter.

Contact, John Davey

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and don't forget to look at our website for updates.

http://www.bexleyartstrust.co.uk



The Friends of Lesnes Abbey and Woods



Starting Thursday 18th May, 10 am to 1 pm, in Lesnes Abbey Lodge, and then,

every third Thursday of the month thereafter.

£10.00 per session

All Welcome

Any age, any Ability, any Medium.

Come and be inspired by the Ancient Woodland and Romantic Abbey Ruins, or work on your own project in the company of other artists.

For further information e-mail artclub@lesnesabbeyfriends.org.uk



The Friends of Lesnes Abbey and Woods

ART CLUB

The aim of the Art Club is to encourage and promote Lesnes Abbey and Woods as a source of inspiration for artists of all ages, and abilities, working in the medium of their choice.

The Art Club will be facilitated by members of the Friends of Lesnes Abbey and Woods (FOLAW) and will come under the umbrella of the FOLAW organisation, which is keen to encourage and promote recreational opportunities that allow people to appreciate and enjoy the plants, wildlife, landscape, archaeology and history and of the area. Artists will also be free to explore their own projects, and membership of FOLAW is not a requirement for participating in the Art Club.

The Club will meet on the third Thursday of the month, in the Lodge.

Dates for 2023 are: 18th May; 15th June; 20th July; 17th August;

21st September; 19th October; 16th November.

Each session will be for three hours from 10:00am to 1:00 pm.

These are not taught sessions, but a platform for artists to share knowledge and skills, and encourage each other.

A charge of £10:00 per session, payable on attendance, will support the Friends of Lesnes Abbey and Woods in promoting this activity.

The Lodge will be the base for the activities, providing shelter in wet weather, tables, chairs and facilities for cleaning artist's equipment.

The lodge can accommodate up to 20 people, with their art equipment.

To reserve your place, e-mail artclub@lesnesabbeyfriends.org.uk