



# Bexley Arts Trust

## BAT Words – 42 May 2023

Hi BAT Members,

Welcome to the BAT Newsletter, which we aim to bring to you on a quarterly basis.

This is what you will find in this edition:

Introduction to BAT, Report on our recent Social Evening, News of BAT's next Open Exhibition, Upcoming BAT events for your diary, What's on near you, Art classes near you, Your News and Tell your friends, Your Comments, Contact us

### INTRODUCTION TO BAT



John Davey, Chairperson

The Bexley Arts Trust is a non-profit making group in the London Borough of Bexley, which continues the work of the former Arts Council of Bexley. Its aim is to promote the arts in and around the local area, run social events, demonstrations, trips and to engage and inform the local art community. The BAT receives no external funding and is run entirely by volunteers.

Currently, BAT runs two open art and sculpture exhibitions each year, and holds various social events.

Serving on the BAT Committee is John Davey (Chairperson), Marilyn Noad, Sylvia White, Jean Marriott, Trevor Root and Sandie Camilleri.

We are currently looking for volunteers to serve as Committee Members. If you are interested please contact John Davey via email at:

[Bexley\\_Arts\\_Trust@Outlook.com](mailto:Bexley_Arts_Trust@Outlook.com)



## BAT SOCIAL EVENING – 16<sup>th</sup> May 23

Thank you to all of you who managed to come along to make our evening such a success. It was also very good to have so many new members signing up ... welcome to you. We have received some great feedback from members about our evening with guest artist Richard Heys. Richard was very generous in sharing with our members his techniques for abstract painting, and his many years' experience of colour practice theory. His demonstration was enthusiastically received and we would like to thank him and our members for making him so welcome.

A big thank you also to all those who brought along some fine examples of their own work to share with us all, which made for some interesting conversation during the refreshment break. Congratulations to those members who were lucky enough to win something in the raffle, and commiserations to those who weren't, but thank you for taking part and helping us to raise funds so that we can have more evenings like this.

Keep a look out in our next newsletter for details of our next social evening.





## BAT OPEN EXHIBITION

Get creating! .... The dates for our next Open Exhibition will be released soon. Painting, drawing, printing, mixed media and 3D submissions are welcomed. Further information to follow in our next Newsletter and will be emailed to members. So watch this space!



Our Spring 2023 Exhibition, March and April, now the shop has gone

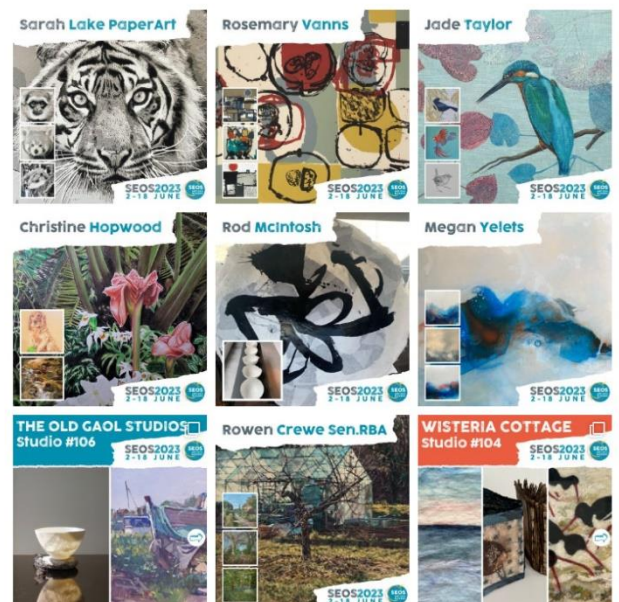
## UPCOMING BAT EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Please keep **Friday Sept 1st 2023** free as we are planning a day event which will be open to all members. Current thoughts are a painting en-plein air day at Greenwich Park, Rochester or Hastings or a visit to an art gallery, maybe the Turner at Margate or a London gallery. If you have any great ideas for a fun and inclusive day out please send your suggestions to our Committee at [Bexley Arts Trust@outlook.com](mailto:Bexley_Arts_Trust@outlook.com). Every idea will be gratefully received and considered by the Committee.

## WHAT'S ON NEAR YOU

South East Open Studios 2023 has started and is one of the most established annual arts events in the UK; it is a free 17-day event showcasing creative talent, and strengthening visual arts across the whole region. You can visit artists in their studios, see demonstrations and exhibitions of their work.

The event takes place across Kent, East Sussex and the Surrey Borders, from Edenbridge to Ramsgate, Rochester to Hastings ... and everywhere in between! For further information click on this link: <https://www.seos-art.org/>



The Stables Gallery at Hall Place, Bexley is showing a Midsummer Art Show from 15<sup>th</sup> June to 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Open 10am – 5pm.

For more information see [www.hallplace.org.uk](http://www.hallplace.org.uk)

Or phone 020 3045 4088



## The Stables Gallery



### Midsummer Art Show

Exhibition of uplifting artwork.  
Original artwork, paintings, print making, ceramics, jewellery, woodturning and glass art.

**Thursday 15th June 2023**  
**Until**  
**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2023**

Visitor Centre  
Stables Gallery  
Hall Place & Gardens  
Bourne Road  
Bexley  
DA5 1PQ

Open 10am – 5pm  
Free Parking and Entry

Information line: 02030454088  
[www.hallplace.org.uk](http://www.hallplace.org.uk)



The Sevenoaks Visual Arts Forum (SVAF) is presenting 'The Worlds In Between' by Mary Dalton at the Kaleidoscope Art Gallery, Musuem and Library, Buckhurst Lane, Sevenoaks, TN12 1LQ. It opens with a PV on 21<sup>st</sup> June to 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023 from 6 – 8pm – all welcome but please email the artist on her website [www.marydalton.co.uk](http://www.marydalton.co.uk) if you are attending the celebration evening so she can allow for numbers. Usual opening hours Mon 10-6pm, Tues – Fri 10 – 5pm, Sat 10-4pm, closed Sunday and Bank Holidays). Entry Free, plenty of paid parking. For further details go to <https://www.facebook.com/SevenoaksVisualArtsForum> or <http://www.svaf.co.uk/> or email: [sevenoakskaleidoscope@gmail.com](mailto:sevenoakskaleidoscope@gmail.com)

## The Worlds In Between

Mary Dalton RCA MA Artist Printmaker – Arts Educator

The stories of our lives, from blackberry picking through to watching the climate change storms gather, are told in this multidisciplinary installation work. Printmaking is celebrated in a multitude of forms showcasing the full potential of the hand crafted medium.

Sustainability and a deep love for the future of this planet are intrinsic not only in some of the major questions that are asked of viewers by the works, but also in the materials themselves. Where possible, every material is fully traced and accounted for and has as minimal impact on the planet as it degrades back to earth.

Expression does not need to come at the expense of the planet, but it does communicate the heart of it.



An installation exhibit by Mary Dalton.

21st June -  
8th July 2023

Telling the stories of our lives, for all to explore.

Monday: 10 - 6pm  
Tues-Fri: 10 - 5pm  
Saturday: 10 - 4pm



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## ART CLUBS OR CLASSES OR GROUPS NEAR YOU

Here are some art clubs and classes that may be of interest to members:

ARTLAB – Tutored adult sessions. Weds eves, Term Time only at Cleeve Park School, Art Room E6, Bexley Lane, Sidcup, DA14 4JN - £12 per session, materials included, free refreshments, for all abilities – call 07931 824110 or email [sandiehc@yahoo.com](mailto:sandiehc@yahoo.com)

What if Gallery – [anne.langouroux@ntworld.com](mailto:anne.langouroux@ntworld.com)

Crayford Art Group – [lyn.hadingham@talktalk.net](mailto:lyn.hadingham@talktalk.net)

Brampton Art Group – [goldbergdave1@gmail.com](mailto:goldbergdave1@gmail.com)

Dartford Art Group – [ruthghoward@aol.com](mailto:ruthghoward@aol.com)

Sidcup Art Group – [simmonsknce@aol.com](mailto:simmonsknce@aol.com)

The Art Class Bexley - <http://www.theartclassbexley.co.uk/>

- <https://www.facebook.com/theartclassbexley>

Art Appreciation – Learning & Enterprise College – 0300 303 3464

WEA Bexley – Adult classes art and music - [www.wea.org.uk](http://www.wea.org.uk)

Please let us know if you run a class and would like to be mentioned here by emailing BAT at [Bexley Arts Trust@outlook.com](mailto:Bexley_Arts_Trust@outlook.com)

## YOUR NEWS

Please let us know details of any fun art related events or news you may have to share, exhibitions you may be taking part in, theatre productions, concerts etc so that we can share them here with other members. Email BAT at [Bexley Arts Trust@outlook.com](mailto:Bexley_Arts_Trust@outlook.com)

## **TELL YOUR FRIENDS**

Spread the word about the Bexley Arts Trust and encourage them to join. Membership includes discount when entering into our twice yearly Open Exhibitions, regular newsletter giving information about arty events, invitations to our social evenings and events.

To join, or for more information, they can email [Bexley\\_Arts\\_Trust@outlook.com](mailto:Bexley_Arts_Trust@outlook.com)

## **YOUR COMMENTS**

We are always interested in your views as to how we can improve what we do or any ideas you may have to encourage the arts within the Bexley area. Please send any comments you may have to [Bexley\\_Arts\\_Trust@outlook.com](mailto:Bexley_Arts_Trust@outlook.com)

## **CONTACT US**

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