

Our First Zoom Friday Evening Talk is a presentation by artist Rikki O'Neil will take place on Friday 26th March at 7pm.

We'll send you a Zoom invitation to join us!! Look out for that in your inbox...coming soon!

Rikki will talk about his early days painting and drawing illustrations for children and how this led to his new style. He uses a mix of hand painting which he scans and then develops a digital image with a vibrant colour palette. Rikki has developed his unique style to invent appealing characters that make his website shop a popular innovative and creative art space! Have a look for yourself. rikoart.com
Rikki tells me he can easily talk for a couple of hours as is our usual talk event and we'll have a comfort break mid way to let you nip into your kitchen and make your own cup of tea! We're hoping to get as many joining us as possible so, please feel free to invite your family or friends to join us online. You can forward the link or ask us and we'll send the link.

Don't forget to get on with your artistic endeavours for our Summer Exhibition!! Hand in will be Saturday 22nd May 9-12. This will give us lots of time to manage the hanging and the filming of the artworks in advance of the opening day Saturday 5th June. The exhibition will be open from 11 - 5pm through to Saturday 12th June. The Celia McCartney Award topic is "The Face of Corona!" Celia is hoping for a lighthearted approach to her topic - but you might want to reflect a different face? Let's see what you can come up with? Well known, top selling, professional artist Johnathan Hood has accepted our invitation to judge this year's summer exhibition and also our April Friday evening talk! Johnathan's style and subject material is really varied and you can see some of his work via GalleryQ online exhibition here galleryq.co.uk

Please get in touch via the website if you have ideas or comments going forward.

One of our members has suggested members may want to display their own work in their window along the lines of a popular TV Art show you may have seen? That idea might appeal to you if your window can easily be seen by passers by and it might inspire you to paint something a little different? You might have an old Society Handbook that would let you display our logo alongside it?

I'm finishing this newsletter with some links to the inspirational work of a truly great artist **James Morrison** that may interest you. The film is available to view via these links until the end of March.

Best wishes
Linda Brownlee
On behalf of Dundee Art Society Committee

Members might be interested in the new film EYE OF THE STORM, a brilliant new documentary about artist James Morrison's career and the challenges he came up against in his final years as he dealt with his sight loss.

The film is available to view online until the end of March: <https://www.cosmiccatfilms.com/eye-of-the-storm>

Trailers x3:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ZYBuqzwB-NFkZO5Z2mDb36xubrl0eRcm/view?usp=sharing>
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/14eSScieX5v9Ke1-o5YtuJwd5lci2cOdL/view?usp=sharing>
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/19OjPB7QvseaK-4TDH8O0XD0AnT5YpaNj/view?usp=sharing>

Eye of the Storm - Reviews:

Guardian ★★★★

<https://www.theguardian.com/film/2021/mar/02/eye-of-the-storm-review-moving-film-about-scottish-painter-in-love-with-nature>

Quote: "James Morrison's work was full of awe for the natural world, and this documentary does his landscape painting full justice"

The Skinny ★★★★

<https://www.theskinny.co.uk/film/new-releases/eye-of-the-storm>

Quote: "What the film becomes then is something much like his paintings – a snapshot of the world as it was briefly held in one person's eye."

Image assets:

James Morrison

Paintings: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KlhDQac8QdBE7yvEF1JUU7G0FYqbtJO?usp=sharing>

Older photos of James Morrison: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1LyBIG-INrsLt43dV-5qzew_ScsCzhjlP?usp=sharing

Photos of Anthony Baxter,

director: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1mfyB2EbIG_pILjyQIPNcsHyci4h7Ltx?usp=sharing

Stills from Eye of the

Storm: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1mwpJURaj6qAvgxqe8w6Mmzr37r7Gce4S?usp=sharing>

James Morrison - Online Exhibition:

<https://mpembed.com/show/?m=3g5G8CHnND3&mpu=1033>

This is a virtual exhibition to complement the film, including detailed audio descriptions for each painting.
Produced in collaboration with the Scottish Gallery and the RNIB.