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Dear members,

Friday Evening Talks

What a great evening we had with **Fiona Haddow** this month! We had an audience of 20 which felt like pre-covid numbers and there was an air of excitement in the gallery! There was a mix of members and nonmembers and we all enjoyed chatting and watching Fiona's painting taking shape. Fiona has promised to finish it as a submission for our Winter Exhibition!



What a great night Fiona! Thank you!

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Fiona is also helping us with our next evening talk which will be on Friday 15th October “**A Conversation with Ian Kennedy.**” Ian has been a freelance artist for 70 years! Can you believe it? Obviously at the great age of 89 we felt he’d prefer to sit in an armchair and be interviewed by Fiona who is also his neighbour and knows him and his background fairly well. We’ll have a screen presentation of his work and we’re hoping it will be a comfortable informal night looking at his work over his very successful career. We hope you might bring your friends along to enjoy.

How about a Saturday acrylic workshop with Allan Perera-Liyanage? Do you a favourite view you may have photographed? Its an excellent chance to bring it to life as an artwork! Remind yourself of Allan’s expertise by checking out his webpage <http://www.perera-liyanage.co.uk/>

News/members

We’ve had a small number of new members join the classes recently and now have members and tutors work and information hanging in the gallery to help encourage everyone.

Carrie Varjavandi, our exhibition organiser took part in the "Face of Experience" competition at the V&A Dundee! Duncan of Jordanstone and Dundee Pensioners Forum got together to organise the competition and are looking to exhibit the paintings. Only six artists took part. There’s a chance they may hold it in our gallery so you can all come along for a look but Carrie has let us see these preview photos. Well done Carrie painting to this high standard under pressure like this! The judges were artists Li Huang and Allan Davies, who recently exhibited in Roseangle, and Janice Aitken Associate Dean DJCAD. Carrie was delighted to take part and found it to be fun, and was very encouraged by the judges comments. The close up painting of the head of the sitter was the chosen winner in the end as it more aptly fitted "the Face of Experience" theme. Carrie had chosen to paint the whole figure, included an extra portrait of the sitters legs! Very well depicted Scottish legs I thought and fantastic hands!



Carrie Varjavandi painting extra legs!!

A fund raising idea for the spring!

Sponsor a painting? The idea is that members ask their friends and relatives to sponsor their painting with the chance to win that very painting in a draw from the sponsor list.....This would let you, the members promote your work and the society in your own social circle and bring in a little revenue to help with our funds. Let us know what you think of the idea?

We are clearing out dozens of old chairs from the cellar that are too heavy to move and are in a shabby condition. This will release some storage space however we're not sure what we can store down there. The caretaker has also cleared out a few storage areas of abandoned bits and pieces to allow clearer storage for the class tutors. We're looking for a couple of rattan armchairs to use for the "Conversation" talk...rattan would be light to move around and together with some potted parlour palms would make a more interesting background for the life models. Does anyone have any such chairs, potted palms that are to large or a rattan screen for instance? Please get in touch!

Winter Art Exhibition and Craft Sale 2021 Hand in will be 27th November and the Exhibition will open on Saturday 4th December until Saturday 11th with collection of works on Sunday 12th. We've got the chance of a weekend hire over the weekend of 20th and that's why we've moved the hand in date to the 27th of November. Note that we will be looking for crafts again and also cards and prints of your original work if you have them available for sale.

Gallery Maintenance News

We have substantial electrical repairs going on this week in the gallery towards provision of our 5 year electrical certificate. The outside security light at the front door is operational and we apologise to members for this taking so long. We've had to wait for quotes to come in such that we got best value for this within the whole work.

Please get in touch via the website if you have ideas or comments going forward especially around Friday evening speakers.....

Best wishes
Linda Brownlee
On behalf of Dundee Art Society Committee