

# WESTWARD HO! & BIDEFORD ART SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

March 2021 Newsletter

2020 proved to be a challenging and distressing year, and 2021 promises to offer little respite for some time to come. As artists we have seen opportunities dwindle and because of lockdown rules the stimulation we would normally get from each other has been hard to come by.

But - after very productive conversations with Ian Danby and Warren Collum we do have the prospect of a Burton exhibition on the horizon, albeit in a rather unusual form, the details of which can be found below.

So - something to get the creative juices flowing and something to look forward to. We are really looking forward to seeing your work.

Gill Jones, Chair

## 99<sup>th</sup> Open Exhibition details

We have settled on a plan for a real exhibition this May, June and July with a few changes to take account of COVID-19 restrictions. Because of the Burton's commitments WHOVID will need to share the gallery space with the artist Lucy McLachlan's exhibition. As you will see there is to be no selection, fewer works on show in one gallery only, and much of the administration done by Burton staff. Obviously this is our current plan – assuming that the lockdown is over and some activity is possible. Because of pandemic uncertainties things may have to change at short notice. But this is the current plan!

Please note, entry forms and terms have been circulated with this newsletter.

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**EXHIBITION RUNS-** May 17<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**SUBMISSIONS:** WHOVID Members only, 1 work in 2D or 1 work in 3D. Numbers are restricted as we will be exhibiting this year in Gallery 2 only. We also need to reduce physical contact and to have good social distancing for visitors within the galleries, due to more spacing between works. Associate members may submit 1 work for the online show only.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS:** Midnight on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

**NO SELECTION:** there will be no pre-selection by WHOVID for COVID reasons, but the Burton has its usual ability to reject anything they deem 'unsuitable'

**HAND-IN:** Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May between 1000 and 1400 hours to allow for quarantining prior to hanging.

**HANGING:** done by the Burton & works numbered

**NO CATALOGUE:** list of works on show on the wall with title, artist, medium, price. No handout lists for visitors

**NO PRIVATE VIEW:** For obvious reasons the private view cannot go ahead.

**NO WHOBID STEWARDS:** exhibition will be overseen by Burton staff to reduce contact within gallery.

**COLLECTION OF UNSOLD WORK:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July.

**SALES:** At Burton sales desk

**ONLINE SHOW:** Any artists who are able to submit an electronic version of their exhibited work will also be invited to send in their image to have their work shown on our concurrent online show. All sales enquiries will be directed to the Burton during the show, and to the artist themselves once the Burton show has closed.

**AGM 2021** - It is obviously not possible, because of the current regulations, to hold our Annual General meeting in our usual April slot. We hope to hold a real AGM in the Autumn. If this cannot happen, we will again circulate reports etc in the Autumn newsletter.

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS 2021**

It's that time again! Membership fees for 2021/22 are due by 31 st March and we have put a system in place for renewals to be paid by standing order. Many of you have already set this up, but if you are yet to do so, please could you ensure that you organise this with your bank in good time for the fees to be paid by the end of March. The details that you will need in order to set up a standing order payment with your bank are as follows :

Recipient's Name - Westward Ho! and Bideford Art Society

Recipient's bank and Branch - Lloyds Bank, Bideford

Recipient's sort code - 30-90-78

Recipient's account number – 00094676

Please reference your name on the standing order.