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Suburb artists launch new group

A group of art enthusiasts in the Suburb have formed a new group, HGS Art. The initiative was, in part, prompted by the relocation and then closure of the Institute. Their first event, A Show 'n Tell exhibition for members of HGS Art to meet and show each other their work, was held at the Free Church on Sunday afternoon, September 4. The chairman of the group is Diana Brahams, a retired barrister, and other committee members

include accountant Jeremy Clynes, and well-known retired cancer specialist Professor Michael Baum, all are keen local artists. Also exhibiting were Ellen Gilbert whose pictures included her sketches of performers at this year's Proms at St Jude's music festival and Monica Winner who recently had an exhibition at Fellowship House. There was an impressive display of works with glass, different types of fabrics, clay, wood,

stone and other materials with some inventively combined. All in all it was a great show. HGS Art plans to mount public exhibitions, arrange lectures, art working groups and encourage local children's art and, generally, to revive the long tradition of arts and crafts so well reflected in the Suburb's distinctive architecture. There will be a Show and Sell by HGS Art members on Sunday, December 4.

Art and Ideas

Are you interested in studying the History of Art? Cedric Day, an excellent lecturer, and an artist in his own right, leads such a class each week. It is held in the Little Chapel in the Free Church 10am to 12noon each Thursday.

We are studying early C20 art in its various forms and in different countries, in the context of the changing times of the period. Currently we are looking at the English painters in the early 20th century known as the

Bloomsbury Group, and how they were related to the 'Apostles', the select group of young men who met at Cambridge University. We visit a currently running art exhibition once each term.

Cedric taught art at the Institute from its days in Central Square and this class is a continuation of his 'Art and Ideas' course following the closure of the Institute. He also hopes at some point to restart his 'Abstract and Mixed Media' course, which was also popular in the past.

The class is lively and participative, enjoyed by all. If you would like to join us please email Cedric Day at pompandimp@gmail.com.



Art in Fellowship

The new Fellowship House art gallery in Willifield Way has continued its run of successful exhibitions with one in September by Suburb artist Monica Winner in aid of Moorfields Eye Hospital and the current show by Cedric

and Rachel Day running until early November. Cedric taught art at the Institute and now runs his popular 'Art & Ideas' course at the Free Church (see article on this page) as well as teaching in Surrey where he

lives. All work is for sale. The gallery is open on Tuesdays from 2-5.30pm, on Wednesdays from 6-10pm and at many other times when the building is open and the Eileen Whelan Room is free. No charge is made for exhibiting or on sales. Five more exhibitions are currently in the pipeline. Booking enquiries for next year will be welcomed by Sally Botterill on 8458-6352.



Three paintings by Cedric Day and one by Monica Winner (bottom, right)

Painting for fun

An art group with a difference meets on the Suburb at Fellowship House in Willifield Way, and we have done so for the last 20 years.

We are a completely informal self-help group – no teacher, no fixed work programme, set pieces or prescribed techniques. Each member chooses their own preferred medium and their own projects. But we all help each other with friendly advice and encouragement. We simply enjoy

colours, company and creativity.

All levels of ability are welcome from absolute beginners upwards. We meet on Friday mornings for two hour sessions 18 times a year. There are sessions on October 21, November 4 and 18, and December 2. Details are in What's On on page 10.

We welcome new recruits, so if the idea appeals ring David Pye, 8346 6869 for details or pay us a visit one Friday morning.

Should you wish to join Stanmore & District University of the Third Age (U3A) the basic subscription is £29 p.a. with a special supplement of £10 for the art group. This provides for attendance at the art group plus attendance at any or all of the other 20 groups run by our U3A without further charge. You can find out more at www.u3asites.org.uk/Stammore/welcome.

MICHELE HARTMAN

HGST Members' Winter Lecture

Tuesday 6 December – invitations going out soon



This year's HGST Members' Winter Lecture will be presented by Dr Mervyn Miller, the Trust's Honorary Life President. Dr Miller has been investigating how the Suburb inspired renowned architect and designer Le Corbusier and how this may have impacted some of his work in France.

Join us for a glass of wine, a seasonal snack, and an interesting lecture from Dr Miller at the Henrietta Barnett School this December.

INVITATIONS WILL BE SENT TO MEMBERS SHORTLY

Members will be sent their invitations to this event very soon. If you are not already a Member and would like to become one, please download a form from the Trust website, or contact the office and we will send you one. You can also contact us to check your Membership status.

NOT A MEMBER?

All adult Suburb residents can become Trust Members for free simply by filling in a Membership form. Residents of less than three years can become Associate Members – after this, residents can become a full Member, which also brings voting rights in Trust elections. For more information, give us a call.

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