

## Art Palette – 11 June 2020

### Beginners and Improvers art classes

The class for Beginners and Improvers takes place every Wednesday afternoon during term time. There are eleven students currently, all of whom joined this year and all of whom are showing amazing improvements!

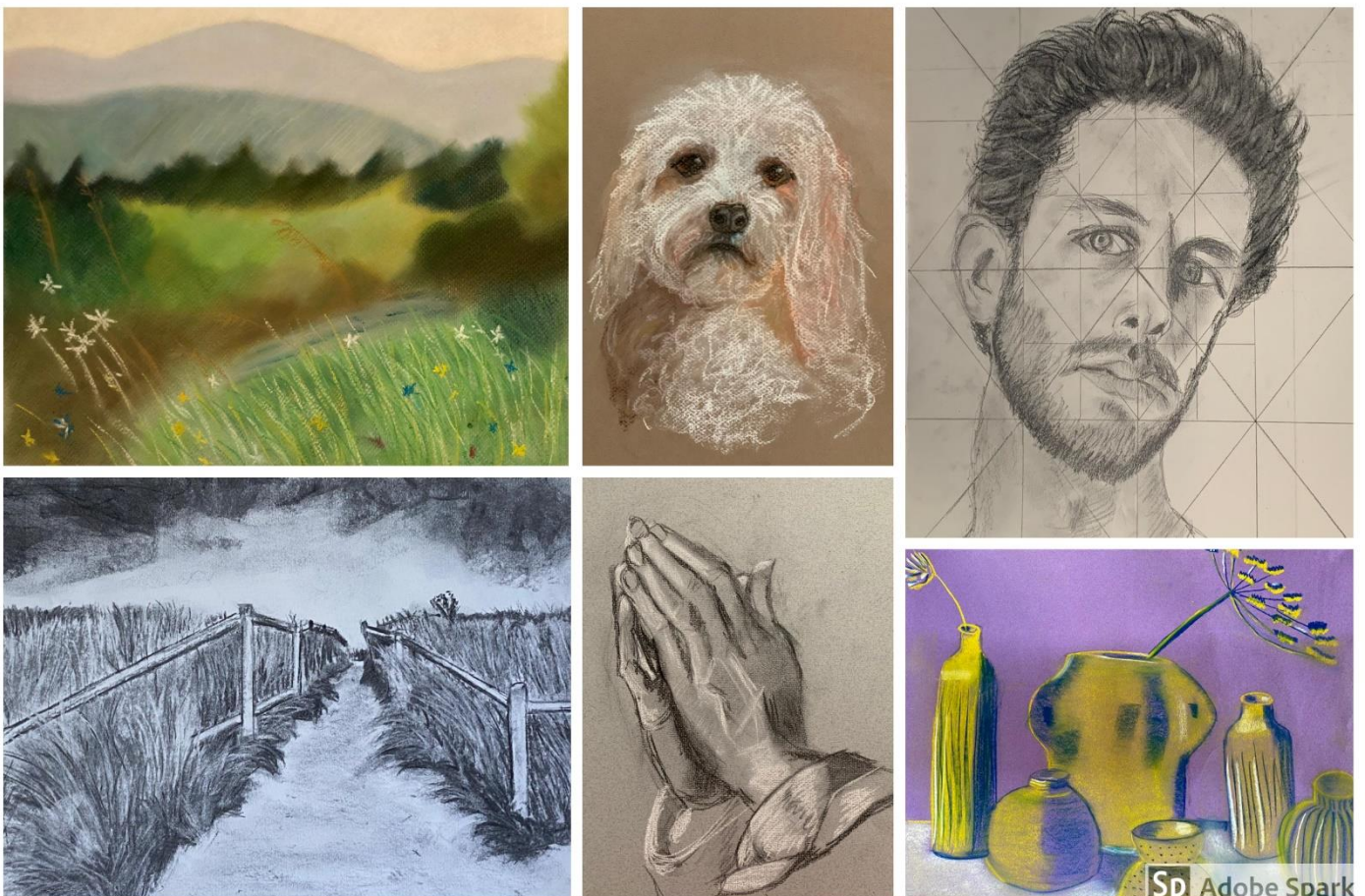


Here are two of my favourite examples of students' class work followed by montages of their own choices:





The artists clockwise from top left: Jennie Williams, Lydia Gomersall, Jane Trueman, Susan Stewart, Mel White, Lydia Gomersall.



The artists clockwise from top left: Jennie Williams, Jeannie, Felicity, Mel White, Liz Collins, Teresa Hughes.

## **Water colour classes**

Our water colour tutor, Charles Penny, will be leaving us at the end of the final summer term. After five successful years as our brilliant tutor he has now decided to dedicate himself to his own painting, travelling, and spending more time with his family, including two brand new grandchildren – once lockdown permits! We will all miss him very much and I know he is going to be a hard act to follow.

Since being given this news earlier in the year, we have been working hard to find a new tutor and, I am pleased to say, we will have Shaun Carey joining us in September. Shaun studied at the RA, is an established artist and has taught at Putney School of Art and Design for the last twelve years. He enjoys working with people, inspiring, and helping his students build their confidence and abilities while, of course, having fun. Shaun comes highly recommended and he is a tutor with a following of students. He is very excited to be joining us and is looking forward to meeting everyone when he joins – be it in person or via zoom.

I know we will all want to thank Charles who has taught us all so much, been so encouraging and made every lesson so enjoyable. Current students will have the opportunity to speak to Charles and wish him well over the next few weeks of classes. We are also hoping to be able to get everyone together in the Club garden to say thank you personally – from a suitable social distance of course. We will let you know more details of this.

## **Autumn Art Lectures survey**

Art group members will have received an email on Monday this week inviting them to complete a survey about the popular art lectures. We are starting to plan when and how to resume the lectures and would appreciate you giving us your views by answering the [four short questions](#) in the survey by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. The survey should take no more than two or maybe three minutes to complete.

We would like to resume the lectures in the autumn on the dates and at the times scheduled currently. However, due to current government guidance, we do not know when the Club buildings will be open for group activities to allow us to hold the lectures with an audience. If the Club buildings are not open for group activities by the time the lectures start, then we would broadcast them live on zoom (video conferencing app) without a live audience. When the Club buildings open for group activities, we would then hold the lectures in the Fountain Room with an audience (subject to social distancing rules) *and* continue to broadcast them live on zoom for those who may not be comfortable coming to the Club.

The four questions ask whether you would be comfortable to watch the lectures on zoom whilst the club buildings are closed and whether you would be comfortable to come to the club buildings if they open this autumn. We look forward to receiving your answers to the questions and to your views so that we can arrange the lectures in a way that most Members want.

If you haven't already completed the survey, [please find it here](#):

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/GPLJ5H5>

Many thanks for your help,

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