

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

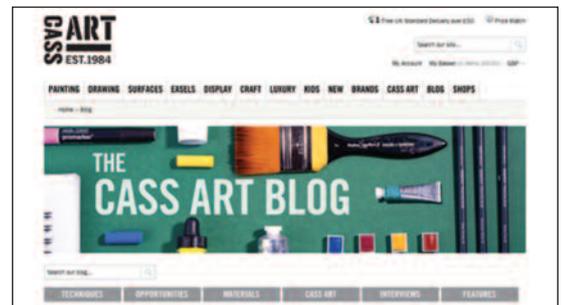
In consideration of the situation we all find ourselves in the committee has decided to defer the date when membership fees become payable until 1 September 2020. A reminder will be circulated nearer the time. This will be the new date for membership renewal going forward.

With our own demonstrations and workshops off the agenda for the time being the Society has been thinking of ways to keep the interest in all things 'arty' alive. With visits to galleries out-of-bounds and no opportunity to mix with like-minded folk, it is probably the internet that will provide the stimulus that we are going to need over the next few weeks or months. There follows a list of organisations and their website addresses where you can find various demonstrations, guided tours and art-related experiences of the 'virtual' variety. If you come across any other interesting items, please let us know.

### CASS ART

[cassart.co.uk](http://cassart.co.uk)

A familiar name to most of us as an art material supplier but their website offers so much more. There is a blog with a collection of illustrated articles, artist interviews, suggestions for home-based projects, and a whole host of 'How to ...' features. There is also a link to Isolation Art School on Instagram – lots more ideas to keep you busy!



### THE COURTAULD GALLERIES

[courtauld.ac.uk](http://courtauld.ac.uk)

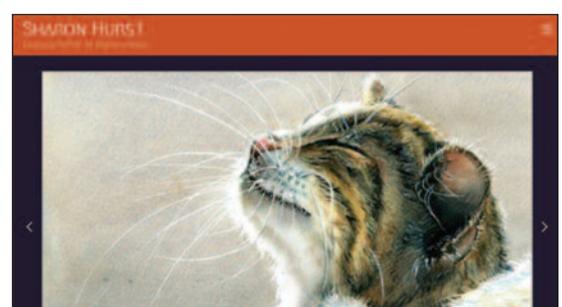
The galleries were closed even before the Coronavirus outbreak for major refurbishment but they offer a virtual tour of the galleries as they were. It is also possible to browse their collection and there are a link to the BBC iPlayer for the series 'The Art Mysteries' with Waldemar Januszczak.



### SHARON HURST

[sharonhurst.co.uk](http://sharonhurst.co.uk)

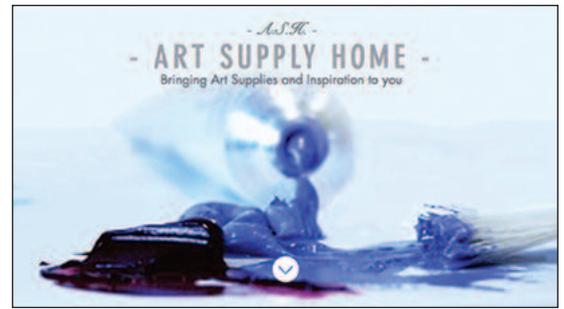
A familiar name to the Society, Sharon has entertained us with demos in the past and now she has posted some new material on her YouTube channel that can be accessed via her website (Videos button in the menu). There is a 30 minute tour around her studio and then a 2 hour tutorial on the subject of Cat's Face in Watercolour.



## MARGIE HASLEWOOD

[artsupplyhome.co.uk](http://artsupplyhome.co.uk)

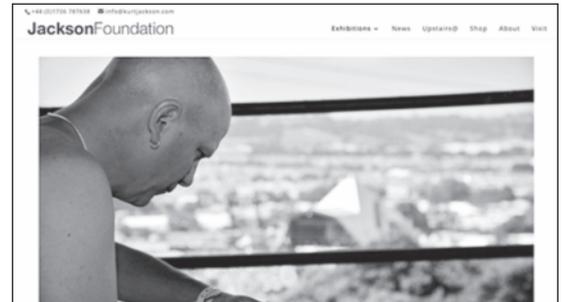
Many of you will know fellow-member Margie and she has been busy setting up a new website – Art Supplies & Inspiration Place: A place of inspiration, painting tips, places to paint and monthly challenges.



## THE JACKSON FOUNDATION

[jacksonfoundationgallery.com](http://jacksonfoundationgallery.com)

This is a great website if you are interested in this artist's work with access to many previous exhibitions to be viewed online. His latest show – Art.Music.Activism. (Kurt Jackson, Glastonbury and Greenpeace) – was due to be open now and you can view the paintings and more details online.



## LONDON DRAWING

[londondrawing.com](http://londondrawing.com)

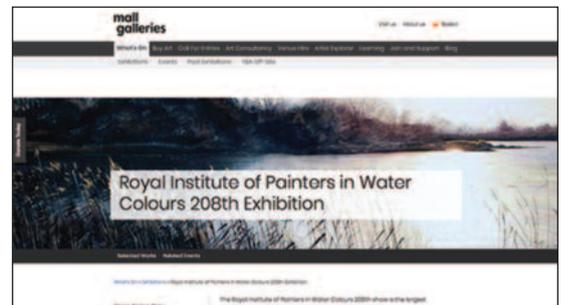
They has been featured in a previous Newsletter with reference to life drawing classes. These are suspended but they are offering a range of online creative sessions via Zoom (a free App) on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays. The classes are free or pay as you can. There is now an online life drawing class at a cost of £8.



## THE MALL GALLERIES

[mallgalleries.org.uk](http://mallgalleries.org.uk)

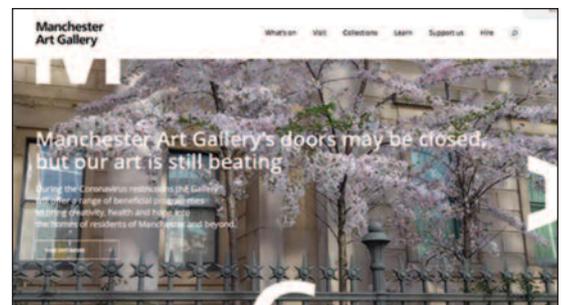
There is access to the work for the Royal Institute of Painters in Water Colour 208th Exhibition and to the Royal Society of Portrait Painters upcoming show. Work from previous shows such as 'Earthworks' with paintings by Lydia Bauman and photographs by Karl Dudman can also be viewed.



## MANCHESTER ART GALLERY

[manchesterartgallery.org](http://manchesterartgallery.org)

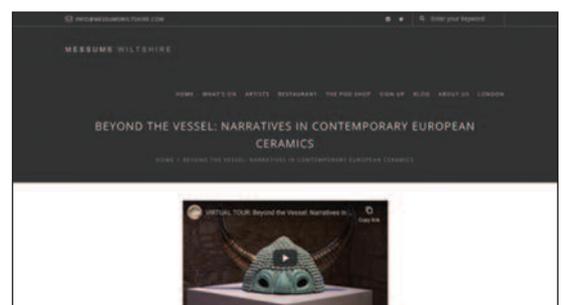
In addition to being able to visit all their temporary exhibitions online the gallery has also launched a programme with three themes – Stay Well: Engage with art and improve your wellbeing; Be inspired: And get creative; Dive in: And learn more about our collections and the artists who have exhibited here.



## MESSUMS FINE ART WILTSHIRE

[messumswiltshire.com](http://messumswiltshire.com)

This commercial gallery has an outlet in Cork Street but also in Wiltshire housed in a wonderful 13th century barn. Their current exhibition is 'Beyond the Vessel' and they have a virtual tour of the show. There is also access to 'Paintings of Klosters' by Oliver Akers Douglas and much more interesting content.



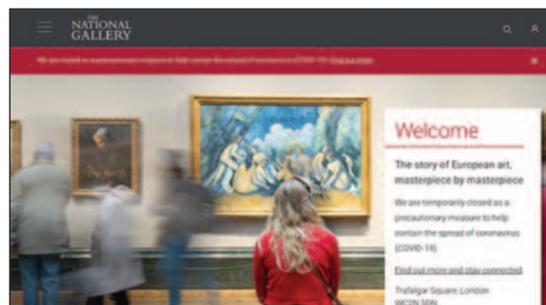
## **METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, NEW YORK** **metmuseum.org**

Cross the Atlantic and explore this fantastic collection. In addition to the wealth of material on the regular website the museum has launched 'Your Digital Digest: What's on MetMuseum.org' which offers more ways to access video, audio and illustrated features about aspects of the collection.



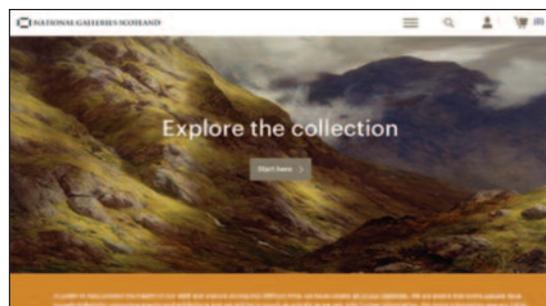
## **THE NATIONAL GALLERY** **nationalgallery.org.uk**

They have created virtual tour of the entire gallery so you can wander from room to room. There are the usual opportunities to view individual paintings together with special features including an in-depth feature about the Picture of the Month. There is a wealth of video material on their YouTube channel.



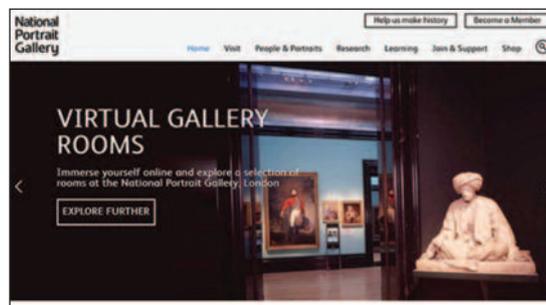
## **NATIONAL GALLERIES SCOTLAND** **nationalgalleries.org**

This is a window onto an enormous collection spread across several Scottish galleries. They also have a YouTube channel with lots of video clips. For those with children they have also created a Creative Curriculum with new ideas posted every Monday. There are also ArtTogether activities for the whole family every week.



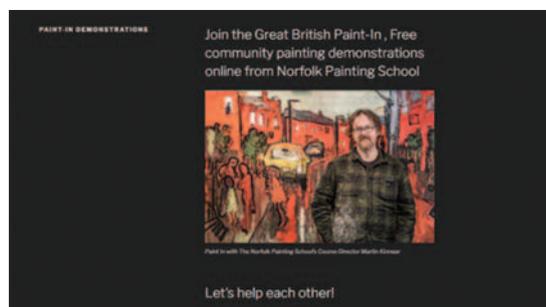
## **THE NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY** **npg.org.uk**

Again there is a virtual tour of the gallery and a comprehensive search facility that gives access to the whole collection of paintings, photographs and prints and drawings. In addition there are many interesting articles and opportunities to contribute to the Gallery's research projects.



## **NORFOLK PAINTING SCHOOL** **norfolkpaintingschool.com**

A name familiar to some of our members, they are offering free live demonstrations via their Facebook page every Wednesday at 1pm, although you can catch up later if you prefer. You can paint along with Martin, the demonstrator, at the time or at your leisure. Free information sheets are available on request.



## **PALLANT HOUSE GALLERY** **pallant.org.uk**

This is a great gallery in Chichester specialising in British art of the 20th century and in addition to information about exhibitions past and present there is a blog called Perspectives which has a fascinating collection of illustrated essays, artist interviews and articles. There are also talks you can listen to on SoundCloud.



## PORTLAND GALLERY

[portlandgallery.com](http://portlandgallery.com)

Access to their present and forthcoming exhibitions where works can be viewed online. There is an archive of all their represented artists with examples of their work. There is also an excellent collection of films (ranging from 5–20 minutes) about various artists and their working methods.



## ROYAL ACADEMY

[royalacademy.org.uk](http://royalacademy.org.uk)

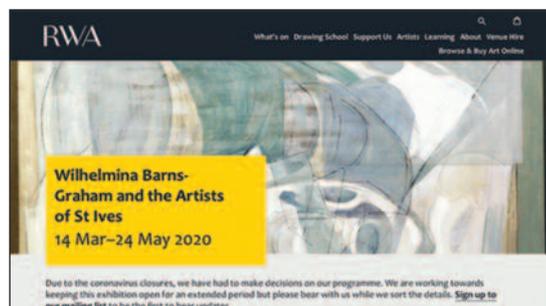
There is wealth of material on this website including a virtual tour of the Léon Spillaert exhibition which lasts for 22 minutes – melancholy, moody images with music to match. There is also a life drawing class that you can join in with a male model striking poses for different times. The whole programme is 90 minutes.



## ROYAL WEST OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

[rwa.org.uk](http://rwa.org.uk)

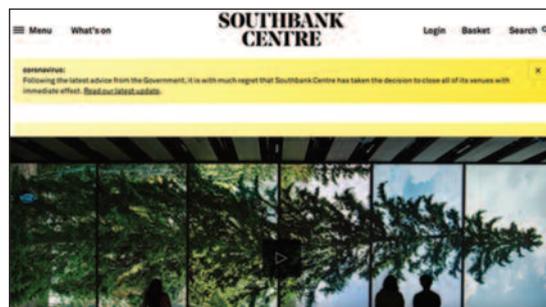
There are two exhibitions about Wilhelmina Barns-Graham and the artists of St Ives and the works can be viewed via the gallery's Twitter site or you can go direct to [wbge.museum.com](http://wbge.museum.com). Prints from her exhibition and also from Paul Thirkell's Shadow of Dreams show can also be viewed online.



## SOUTHBANK CENTRE

[southbank.co.uk](http://southbank.co.uk)

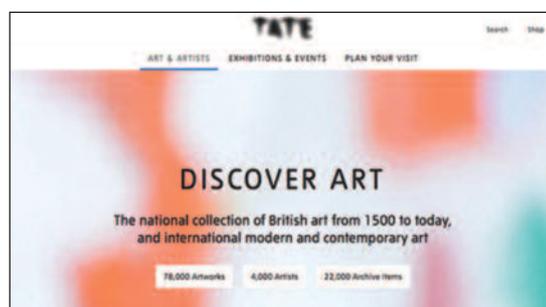
The Hayward's current show is Among the Trees and there is a short video tour and the exhibition guide can be viewed online. There are links to various related videos and articles. Bridget Riley recently had a show at the gallery and there are links to videos about her work. There are also links to other recent exhibitions.



## TATE GALLERIES

[tate.org.uk](http://tate.org.uk)

The illustrated exhibition guide for the Aubrey Beardsley show is available online together with related items. The site merits a little exploration as there are many interesting articles, videos, articles, etc. There's a great documentary – 'The Painting Life of Vincent Van Gogh' and links to many instructional videos via YouTube.



## YouTube

[youtube.com](http://youtube.com)

There is far too much on this website to list individual videos but it really is worth spending some time browsing through what is available. If you search for 'Painting demonstrations' or 'Watercolour tutorials' a whole host of videos will come up – some very short, some much longer, some excellent some not so good.

