

Cotswold Embroiderers' Guild Branch Newsletter
January 2017

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Branch News

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2017, and wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year full of stitching

Our last event of 2016 was a very enjoyable Christmas Social where we were entertained by another lively and amusing talk from Fiona Warin. The sales tables were busy and together with the raffle we raised £142.70 for Branch funds. Thank-you to everyone who helped.

Socialise and Sew

At our AGM Jane Attwood offered to host a second Socialise & Sew group (S&S Group 2) at her home in **Churchdown**, on a different day of the week. The dates for the first 2 meetings have been arranged; others will be agreed later.

They are:

Tuesday January 24th 2017 2.00 - 4.00

Tuesday February 21st 2017 2.00 - 4.00

Jane's address is: 25a Albemarle Road, Churchdown, Glos GL3 2HG

tel: 01452 713838 email: maja62@talktalk.net

All welcome.

The next meeting in **Cheltenham** (S&S Group1) is on Friday 20th January 2017 from 2-4pm at the home of Louise West, 8 Honeysuckle Drive, Gloucester GL4 4DU

Tel: 01452 615698 e-mail: louisewest8@aol.com

Workshops

From the 2nd January bookings will be taken by Janet by telephone or e-mail for the February and March workshops.

April Workshop. The Branch was sad to learn that Linda Rudkin - who has tutored workshops recently for us on Flower-pounding and Sculpting 3D Pieces from Silk Fibres - died a few days before Christmas. Judith sent a card to her family on behalf of our branch to convey our appreciation of the workshops she led for us, together

with our condolences to family and friends.

We had planned for her to lead a workshop for us again in April 2017 on Eco-Dyeing and Rust Printing. When the committee next meets we will of course be looking at what can be provided as an alternative. We hope to provide a similar workshop to the one planned and will let you all know as soon as this is arranged.

Lunches for tutors

*The committee are looking for members who would be willing to provide lunch for the tutor at workshops they attend. You would only need to provide something simple such as a sandwich, yoghurt, piece of fruit etc and drinks during the day. We offer a £5 reduction on the workshop fee for the occasions when we ask you to provide lunch. If you would be interested in offering lunch to tutors, please let Janet Williamson know.
(email: williamson24cotswold@gmail.com tel: 01242 570883)*

We are now starting to plan the programme for 2018! Please keep sending us your recommendations for tutors for workshops or for techniques you are interested in. We have started a table of names you have already given us, so please be assured that we will follow all these up wherever possible.

WHAT'S ON

Open Day at RSN Bristol



We will be holding an Open Day at RSN Bristol on Saturday 28 January, from 10am to 4pm. Entrance is free. Visitors will be able to explore the beautiful hand embroideries on display created by our students and find out more about the courses on offer. There

will also be live demonstrations and the RSN Bristol Tutors will be on hand to answer questions.



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Coping from tape to the Victoria and Albert Museum, London

Fri 10 October – 5 February 2017,
1000-1730, Friday 1000-2130,
£12
<https://www.vam.ac.uk>

BRISTOL EMBROIDERERS' GUILD EXHIBITION

FEBRUARY 17TH -18TH

Friday 10-4.30pm, Saturday 10-4pm

At

STOKE LODGE

Adult Education Centre

Shirehampton Road

BS9 1BN

Admission £3

Anglia Textile Works Exhibition

25th March - 23rd April
Museum in the Park, Stroud

open Tues - Fridays 10.00 am - 4.00 pm (March) 10.00am - 5.00pm (April)
Closed Good Friday
Admission Free

contact: sara.impey@gmail.com
[Anglia Textile Works](#)

FASHION AND EMBROIDERY SHOW

NEC, Birmingham
16-19 March 2017
OPENING TIMES 9.30AM - 5.30PM (5PM SUNDAY)

ADULTS: £12.00

SENIORS: £11.00

<http://www.fashionembroidery.co.uk/birmingham/>

Select Festival 2017 - 29 April – 28 May

The programme so far includes the Textile Study Group presenting 'Dis/rupt' with new work from over 20 textile artists.

Related workshops & symposium

Exhibitions in meme art cafe – Malthouse Kitchen Bar – Miserden Nursery

Surprise shop trail competition

New Collectives fair 20 / 21 May

Partnership with New Brewery Arts Cirencester: workshops, exhibition and curated contemporary jewellery showcase

Exhibition Gloucestershire Guild Craftsmen Cheltenham

NEW Sculpture Exhibition at Miserden Nursery near Stroud with Loco Glass (blown glass) Susan Early (willow);

Lucy Birtles (ceramics); Celia Smith (metal/wire) and Jo Newman (mixed

media)

Plus two talks from leading garden experts and designers.

Symposium Saturday May 6th

SIT select will be holding a symposium *Dis/rupting Tradition: New Textile Languages* linked to the *Dis/rupt* project and focusing on the theme of disrupting tradition. This event will feature contributions from Melanie Miller, Alice Kettle, June Hill and Michelle Stephens. Tickets & details to follow

The 2017 festival promises exciting new venues, innovative artists exhibiting and plenty to enjoy and inspire. More to follow soon.

Festival brochure and tickets will be available from March 2017

Textile Study Group DIS/rupt exhibition

opens 2nd May – 21 May 2017. Official Opening Friday 5 May.
Museum in the Park, Stroud, Lansdown Hall Gallery, Stroud

There will be a lively programme of half day, full day and two day workshops and gallery events during the festival, with tutors –

Bobby Britnell

Sarah Burgess

Alice Fox

Ruth Issett

Alison King

Sian Martin

Dorothy Tucker

Julia Triston

Symposium, *Dis/rupting Tradition*. Saturday 6th May.

A fascinating and thought-provoking day with speakers June Hill, Alice Kettle, Dr Melanie Miller and Michelle Stephens

For full Select Festival programme, booking and further information go to –

www.sitselect.org

www.textilestudygroup.co.uk

www.hawkwoodcollege.co.uk

21st Century Yarns are holding a New Year Sale during the month of January 2017.

They are offering 20% off their exclusive hand-dyed threads and 10% off many of their mixed packs.

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Crewel Work Workshops

Sheila Knight has some places on Crewel Work workshops starting next Wednesday (you may wish to check the exact date with Sheila) at 9.30 at Longford Village Hall. This is a new course of Three classes over three months costing £15 per morning a total of £45.00. looking at all aspects of Crewel Embroidery from design through to finished product.

Sheila's email is: knightshe@blueyonder.co.uk, tel: 01452 555504

This workshop is run independently by Sheila and is not connected to the Embroiderers' Guild

Smocking machine

The branch owns a smocking machine. Please note that Judith now holds this. If you wish to borrow it, please contact Judith to arrange the loan.

Lending scheme *If you wish to borrow a book or books on a specific technique or by a named artist then please contact Judith stating what you are interested in borrowing, together with your contact details. I will then publish your request in the newsletter & anyone willing to lend such resources can contact you directly. Such an arrangement will be made solely between the lender and borrower.*

Hosting Tutors

From time to time our workshop tutors need to be accommodated on the Friday night prior to their workshop. We would prefer to offer accommodation in a member's home rather than in a local hotel and it is a lovely opportunity to get to know a tutor before the workshop and have the chance to ask questions

and explore their world of working in textiles.

If you feel you would be able to offer such accommodation on an occasional basis please let Judith or another member of the committee know.

Future Programme

The development of our programme of workshops and events is ongoing and we aim to put on events that you would like to come to.

Please do let the committee know of particular:

- *Tutors you would like us to book for workshops or talks*
- *Styles of stitching / textile art that you would like to be incorporated into the programme*
- *Places of interest or exhibitions we might like to visit*
- *Any other topics or events you think would be of interest to members*

It is really helpful to have your suggestions – probably what you would like us to organise is what many others would like too. Please send in suggestions at any time.

If you have any news of members, eg illness, requests for assistance with transport, please pass it on to one of the Branch committee so that we can make contact and help out if needed.

Happy stitching,

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