IRBY ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION



INFORMATION FOR GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS

Irby Artists' Association was founded in 1978 by a group of Irby residents interested in painting and art in general. The aims of the Association are to encourage art appreciation and to exchange ideas and advice by working together in most media and craft forms.

Membership of the Association is open to all residents in the Wirral area and covers all levels of expertise in art and craft. Full membership is limited to 150. Associate members are entitled to all benefits of membership except the right to enter work in the exhibitions. Annual subscriptions, currently £8.00 for Full members and £6.00 for Associate members are due for payment on 1st March. There is no further charge for members attending evening meetings. Visitors, for whom a charge of 50p is made, are very welcome.

The affairs of the Association are conducted by a Committee which is selected each year at the Annual General Meeting held in March.

Meetings are held in St Chads Hall, Roslin Road, Irby in the evening of the third Tuesday of each month, except August, from 7.45pm to 9.45pm. These monthly meetings are popular, with an audience of 60 or more not at all unusual. A programme of demonstrations in various media, workshops and lectures, some of which are illustrated, is arranged for the year which starts in April. A small library of art related items is available for loan to members. An annual dinner is held in February.

Each year two one day exhibitions are held, the Spring exhibition on a Saturday in May and an Autumn exhibition in November at both of which Full members may show and sell their work. In addition, gallery visits and occasional Saturday workshops are organised. Members are kept in touch with a twice yearly newsletter.

A programme of outdoor sketching is arranged for the summer. In winter, an indoor work session is held at St Chads every Monday afternoon for which a supplementary subscription is charged.

Anyone wishing to join the Association should contact:

Peter Singleton, Membership Secretary, 2 Firshaw Road, Meols, Wirral. CH47 5BE Telephone 0151 632 5047

However it should be noted that currently the Full membership is over subscribed. Applicants may join as Associate members and, if they wish, join a waiting list for Full membership.