



Newbiggin Arts Centre Newsletter #14

19 June 2021

A Message from our Chair

Well, we had hoped to fully re-open on 21st June, but have had to delay until 19th July. 😞

But, the good news is that, due to a lot of hard work from your committee and volunteers, we now have a fantastic facility at the new studios on Front Street, as well as our fully refurbished place on Gibson Street. We will be splitting our activities between the two centres and also making Gibson Street available to other users when we don't need it for our activities.

I am sure that like me, you are looking forward to getting the classes and clubs going again. It will be great to see all the old faces – and some new ones too! So, get booked up for those sessions you want to attend and don't forget to tell your friends and family about what we have to offer.

See you all soon – and stay safe, Steve

What's New

We're Buzzing!

"Wow, this place is fantastic!" This is just one example of the many positive comments made by our visitors to the Front St. studio since we opened on 17th May. Many of our visitors have dropped by during the workshops and were able to get a taste of what we are all about—being creative and having fun! Many have expressed their interest in joining one of our classes once we are fully up and running (hopefully beginning the week of 19th July!).

With the help of our volunteers, we have also been able to open for a few hours on the weekend, when again, we have had lots of people dropping in to have a browse at our art display. Many have said how impressed they are by our local talent, even to the extent that some have bought or commissioned a painting!

As most of you will know, we are running our workshops in a covid safe way which means having to restrict the number of people allowed indoors at the same time (using the 'rule of six' rota system) and asking you to use your own materials (however, paper and canvas can be provided). While several of our sessions are fully booked, we do have some spaces available in others, so if you are interested, please get in touch.

The children's art club is scheduled to begin on Friday, the 23rd July, held at the Gibson St. centre. We are pleased to say it is fully booked and we are looking forward to seeing them all again...!

What's Coming

Let's to Look Forward To!

In preparation for the lifting of restrictions (hopefully on the 19th of July), we are setting up our schedule of classes and clubs.

Classes

Our classes will be led by our experienced painters who will be able to help you learn the basics of drawing, watercolour, acrylic, or oil painting. The cost will be £4 for a two-hour session, with all materials supplied. There will be a limit of 12 people per session.

Clubs

The clubs will be of interest to people who prefer to do 'their own thing', using their own materials. The cost for these will be £3 for a two-hour session (again with a limit of 12 people). If there is a need to use communal materials, they are available, and we ask that a £1 donation is made to cover the cost.

Sign Up Now!

The following is the schedule of classes and clubs. If you are interested in signing up, either call in to the Studios at Front Street and fill your name on the chart in the kitchen, or send an email to admin@newbigginartscentre.org. But do it as soon as possible, as places are quickly filling up.

Classes

Medium	Day	Time	Location	Leader
Oil	Tuesday	10-12	Gibson St.	Keith
Watercolour	Wednesday	10-12	Front St.	Keith
Acrylics	Thursday	10-12	Front St.	Steve
Drawing	Friday	10-12	Front St.	Keith

Clubs

Medium	Day	Time	Location	Leader
Watercolour	Tuesday	1-3	Front St.	Valerie
Oil	Wednesday	10-12	Gibson St.	Sue
Acrylics	Wednesday	1-3	Front St.	Steve
Craft	Wednesday	1-3	Gibson St.	Sue
NAC Mixed (w/c, acrylic, drawing)	Wednesday	evening	Front St.	Sue
Watercolour	Thursday	1-3	Front St.	Steve
Mixed (w/c, acrylic, drawing)	Thursday	evening	Front St.	Steve

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Want to get involved?

We are always looking for volunteers to help us make the NAC a 'go to' place. There are many things you can do, such as greeting people at the door and showing them around, helping with the administration duties, leading a club or teaching a class, or just spending a few hours in the studio running the shop—you can even use this time doing some of your own painting. If you are interested, please get in touch—we would love to hear from you!

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