



Monthly Competition

Last month's detail was from "The Birth of Venus" by Sandro Botticelli. I received correct answers from **Geoff Brazier, Russell Eaton, Bob Seel, Hilda Makin, Edith Ellen Sutton, Beryl Rushton,**

Cath Baxendale, Pauline Kaushal (Apologies to both Russell and Bob, who also got last month's answer right!) Cath said that it was a statement to promote the origin of love and beauty rising as a goddess from the sea, whereas Geoff tells us that it was painted circa 1486, commissioned by Lorenzo di Pierfrancesco dei Medici and is housed in the Botticelli Hall of the Uffizi Gallery in Florence.

Now to this month's picture. Can you tell me the title and who the famous artist was who painted the work?

Answers to Roland please by the end of June. The answer and names of correct submissions in July's edition.



Membership News

No new members this month!

If you have an email address and haven't yet told our Secretary, please do so asap. It will save your Circle postage costs. Send Roland an email asap. Only 73 of our 176 members are "on-line."

The Last Drop

The next dates for the Art Fairs at the Last Drop are:-
18th June, 23rd July and 20th August

Special Workshops

Our Demonstrations Secretary, June Catterall has arranged two events for you this Summer / Autumn.

After he has given us a Landscape demonstration on 13th June, we are to have the acclaimed artist Keith Fenwick back again on Saturday July 1st. He will give us a whole day workshop from 10.00 am. to 4.00 pm. with a maximum of 15 artists. The cost will be £25 per head, including drinks. (Bring your own food).

June has also arranged for Gordon Wilkinson to come along for 3 hours on Wednesday afternoon 20th September. This will be a "Workalong" session and he may want you to prepare some work in advance.

For further information on either of these events, why not give June a ring on 01204 840191.

Exhibitions

The North West Federation's Annual event takes place by the canal at Worsley on the 29th and 30th July. Contact Charles MacDonald on 01204 852803 for details. On 16th July another "Painting Challenge" will take place at Rock Hall. Also Ted Holden will be running an Adult

Painting Class there, for about 10 people some Sunday in June. Contact Ted on 01204 396613 for more info.

Prints

WE HAD ONLY ONE RESPONSE to the request for information on where people get their prints done. (Why is it such a secret?)

Member Hilda Makin said that "The Digital Workshop", a Gallery run by David and Margaret Ruau, is worth investigating. (I had mentioned this in the February Edition of "In Touch".)

Hilda has had top quality prints done there at a very reasonable price. They can even reproduce your paintings to look like an oil painting. There are examples of several local artists' works done in this way. But even if you don't wish to have anything done, it's worth a visit. (Off the road, to the right, between the Lower Barn and the Post Office) If you can, visit www.picturesdirect.co.uk for more details.

Bolton Art Circle Walking Group

THE NEXT WALK will be to Roddlesworth Reservoir on Tuesday 13th June. Cars meet at 10am at Ryal Fold Visitor Centre car park, ready to walk at 10.15. (Take the A675 through Belmont and turn right at signpost to Tockholes) The walk is via Weasel Lane, Tockholes village, Higher Hill, Roddlesworth Res. and return to Ryal Fold. Really only one steady gradual climb just before the end. Mostly firm paths throughout. About 4½ miles in total, with the usual reminder to wear stout footwear, and perhaps bring a lightweight brolly! Lunch with your butties sitting at Roddlesworth Reservoir. (Contact Paul on 01942 814437)



The group of walkers who visited Lyme Park on 2 May. They are, left to right: Elayne Perrin, Norma Titterton, (friend of BB), Dennis Perrin, Lynne Frost, Pat Arthur, Brian Barlow and Roland Arthur. Photo by Paul Titterton

Pitch in at the Patchings

THERE ARE STILL 2 PLACES available for the Coach trip to the Patchings Art Festival on Saturday 10th June. If you are interested, please give Jean Faulkner a ring as soon as possible on 01204 460832, or mobile 07761 074491.

The coach leaves Highfield Hall at 8-15 am prompt, returning from Patchings at 4-30pm. Your own food can be eaten, but there isn't a specific area for this. Food is available at a restaurant and there is a self-service too. Specific diets are catered for. Whatever else you do, don't miss out on this special trip, which is subsidised from £19 down to £11 by our Circle.

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