



Monthly Competition

Last month's picture was "A Woman drinking with Two Men", painted by Pieter de Hooch. I had correct answers from **Carole Hawthorne, Jeffrey**

Hanson, Pamela Best (who tells us that the woman was added later), **Beryl Rushton, Russell Eaton** and **Edith Ellen Sutton**.

This month we have a detail from a work by a Scottish artist. Can you name the artist and the title of the work?

Answers to **Roland** please by the end of August. The answer and names of correct submissions will be published in the September edition.



Membership News

Despite the recent increase in annual subscriptions, we have actually seen an increase in the speed with which members have renewed their membership of the Circle. It has, however, been decided by your Committee that the three months "grace" period from May 1st to July 31st is far too long. Starting next year members will be asked to renew within one month of May 1st.

If you have an email address and haven't yet told our Secretary, please do so asap. It will save your Circle postage costs, and you'll get this **IN COLOUR**. Send Roland an email asap on secretary@boltonartcircle.org.uk 80 of our 163 members are "on-line".

Caption Competition

We had no suggested captions for this picture. However, I will offer "The Poor Defenceless Gate" as a suitable title.



Art In The Precinct (AITP)

At the end of this month we shall be again running the AITP event on Newport Street Precinct. From Thursday 21st to Bank Holiday Monday 25th August (except Sunday) there will be 28 artists on 36 stands displaying their best works for sale. Although good weather is to be desired, because the artists are now "under cover", all will not be lost if it rains.

Last Drop

The last one was right at the end of July, unfortunately clashing with the Prom Art Exhibition at Grange-over-Sands. Consequently booking numbers were down. But, because we shared the Last Drop with two weddings, sales were slightly higher than average.

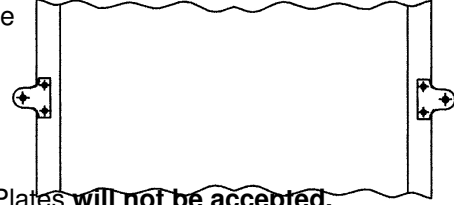
"Biennial" Exhibition

On Saturday 13th September we expect about 120 of our members will be submitting their works for our Biennial Exhibition at Bolton Art Gallery. The Entry Form, Rules and instructions will be with you shortly. As previously in 2006,

your entries will be handed-in, judged, and any unsuccessful ones collected by you, **ALL ON THE SAME DAY**. Dates relating to the Exhibition, which this year runs for 2½ months, are on your new Membership Card.

You should particularly note the requirement that all pictures submitted **MUST** already be Mirror Plated like this.

Any works which arrive at the Gallery without Mirror Plates **will not be accepted.**



DVD Library

We are grateful to Committee member **Bill Laithwaite** who is almost there with his conversion of over 100 Videos to DVD. In conjunction with librarian **Catherine Baxendale**, he is revamping the DVD and Video booking-out system.

Demonstrations

The July Flower Painting demonstration by member **Sue Hollinshead** was very well attended and many members made good use of the Overhead Mirror constructed for us by member **Alex Jervis**.

The next one, entitled "Mixed Media" on 12th August, will be by member **Derek Haslam**.

To end this summer season of Demonstrations we have two more members demonstrating their talents.

September 9th, **Stef Lorenz** on "Collages", and on October 14th, **George Pott** will be showing us how he does Oil Portraits.

D-Rings and Wrappings

In order to establish some sort of standardisation, in future, pictures submitted for exhibitions such as the Parish Church where they are hung onto stands, must be fitted with D-Rings. This will reduce the likelihood of damage between pictures when stored or being taken from A to B.

In case you don't have any D-Rings, or don't know where to buy them, we now have some on sale at the Highfield Workshops for 20p per pair including screws.

We are also hoping to develop a better way of handling the wrapping of such pictures whilst in transit.

Walking Memories and Plans

Fourteen members enjoyed a walk from Marple to New Mills on 18th July, calling at the Fox Inn to eat their butties.

Thanks to **Paul** and **Norma** for arranging this! The weather stayed reasonably fine and some even had enough energy left to enjoy a splendid "Proms" performance by the Smithills School Community Band in the evening. **Brian Barlow** invites us to join a Harwood Art Club walk (Arnside) on Friday 8th August. Ring 01204 533101 for more info.

NWFed Outdoor Exhibition at Worsley

The Federation decided at the last minute to postpone their Annual Exhibition on the banks of Worsley Canal until 2nd and 3rd August. Just turn up with your stand if you want to exhibit. Details from **Charles MacDonald** 01204 852803.

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