

ALTON ART SOCIETY SUMMER PROGRAMME 2019

Outdoor Painting days start at 10am and finish by 4pm (unless otherwise stated). You can arrive at any time between these hours and stay for as long (or as little!) as you wish. Beginners and more experienced artists welcome. We are a very friendly and informal group, so please give it a try! Bring your own art materials, chair, water and a packed lunch and car-share whenever possible. Don't forget your camera to capture images for future reference!

THURSDAY 23 MAY 2019 (10am – 4pm)

ROPLEY STATION, Ropley, Hants SO24 0BL

Description: Picturesque, typically old English country station. Situated on a hill and home to a large fleet of steam engines and renowned for its topiary (dating back to 1898), the old station with its delightful signboards and finishing touches, platform, footbridge, signal box, locomotive yard and workshops provides rich subject matter to paint or sketch.

Parking, Toilets, Refreshments: on site

Directions: From Alton, take A31, through Four Marks, to Ropley. Turn Right into Station Hill and continue to end of road. Car Park on Right.

TUESDAY 11 JUNE 2019 (10am – 4pm)

HINTON AMPNER HOUSE & GARDENS, Bramdean, nr Alresford, SO24 0NH

Description: An elegant historic country manor and country estate, with exquisite gardens containing a series of avenues and walks and distinctive topiary. Tranquil surroundings and breathtaking views across parkland and the South Downs. Other features include a walled vegetable garden and a delightful little church only a short stroll away.

Cost: Free to National Trust members; Non-members: £11

Parking, Toilets and Tea Rooms: on site

Directions: From Alton take A31, to Chawton Roundabout – take 2nd exit A32 to West Meon Hut. Turn Right at traffic lights onto A272 – through Bramdean and continue until sign to Left for Hinton Ampner (before the Hinton Arms pub).

WEDNESDAY 10 JULY 2019 (10am – 4pm)

CHAWTON VILLAGE, Hants GU34 1SB

Description: Quintessential Hampshire village where Jane Austen lived for the last eight years of her life. Lovely village scenery, delightful timber-framed thatched cottages and houses in patterned brick and colour wash. Scenic views across surrounding fields. Greyfriars pub and Cassandras Cup Tea Room.

Parking & Toilets: Free Car Parking; toilets available

Directions: From Alton take A31 to Chawton Roundabout – take first exit, which leads to Chawton village.

TUESDAY 13 AUGUST 2019

OLD WINCHESTER HILL, SO32 3NQ

Description: Well-known beauty spot, famous for its many wild flowers, orchid species and butterflies, Old Winchester Hill, provides superb views across the valley to Beacon Hill and down to the sea.

Parking & Toilets: Parking, but no toilet facilities unless at The George & Falcon pub at the bottom of the hill (a short drive).

Directions: From Alton take A31 to Chawton Roundabout – take 2nd exit A32 –continue to West Meon, through village and bend in the road, then 2nd Left into Station Road and Old Winchester Hill lane. Continue up hill – take Left fork. Car parking on Right.

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