

16<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm  
The Tamar Valley Centre

# Drawn to the Valley AGM 2023



# 1. Welcome



We have received apologies from:

Kathy Lovell

Gilly Spottiswoode

Lyn Edwards

Sally O'Neill

Adrian Edwards

## 2. Confirmation of Minutes of AGM of 2022

- Our last AGM was held here at the Tamar Valley Centre on 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022.
  - The minutes of this meeting have been circulated with the 2023 AGM agenda
  - Do we agree to approve the Minutes of the 2022 AGM as a true record of the meeting?
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- Proposed?
  - Seconded?

### 3. Chair's Annual Report: Anne Payne

During my first year as 'Chair' our Executive Committee consisted of:

- Kathy Lovell (Vice Chair)
- Gilly Spottiswoode (Treasurer)
- Stef D'Amico
- Carolyn Wixon
- Debra Parkinson
- Allie Cole
- Vivienne Pierina Lee
- Administrator

# Committee 'Strategy Meeting' Jan 2023

## Key decisions were:

- To further develop our website – improve its appearance; gain easier access to our newsletters; add a Members Section to post policy documents and minutes; improve our gallery.
- Set up 3 new working parties:
  - Exhibition Policy Working Party - to develop an Exhibition Manual for the guidance of event teams, especially those new to DttV who join our committees. This is discussed more fully later in the AGM.
  - Marketing and IT Working Party – with a focus on developing our PR and social media.
  - Open Studios Working Party – to consider options and budget for 2023
- Seek new venues to host events, e.g. Yelverton Memorial Hall.
- Vary the venue and timing of committee meetings
- Introduce more frequent 'news flashes' with bi-monthly newsletters
- To continue to promote our 'Working Days'.
- We agreed an agenda of exhibitions and events for 2023.

Sadly, in March  
2023 our  
Administrator  
Ren Jackaman left  
Drawn to the  
Valley

- Ren joined Drawn to the Valley in 2020 during the Covid pandemic and was an extremely efficient and skilled administrator.
- On behalf of our Members, we thank her for her dedicated support of Drawn to the Valley during the 3 years she was with us.
- I'm delighted to advice that we now have an Administrative Team to support Drawn to the Valley:
- Imogen Choroszevska and Adrian Bower who are both with us this evening.



# Spring Exhibition 29<sup>th</sup> April – 1<sup>st</sup> May Yelverton Memorial Hall



## DRAWN TO THE VALLEY Spring Exhibition

At Yelverton Memorial Hall  
Meavy Lane, Yelverton PL19 6AL

From Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
to Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May

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Join us to celebrate the creativity of Spring  
at a free exhibition of new work from  
artists, ceramicists and jewellers across  
the Tamar Valley.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
12noon to 4pm

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
10am to 4pm

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
10am to 4pm

TEA AND COFFEE AVAILABLE



Summer  
Exhibition,  
Butcher's Hall  
Tavistock  
1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>  
August



**Summer  
Exhibition  
of Artists & Makers**

We will bring smiles, sunshine and warmth, come rain or shine, with an exhibition of widely diverse work celebrating the skill of artists and makers from the Tamar Valley

**Butchers Hall  
Tavistock  
1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> August**

**Tues to Sat: 10am-4.30pm  
Sun 10am-2pm**

**[www.drawntothevalley.com](http://www.drawntothevalley.com)**



# Setting up Butcher's Hall



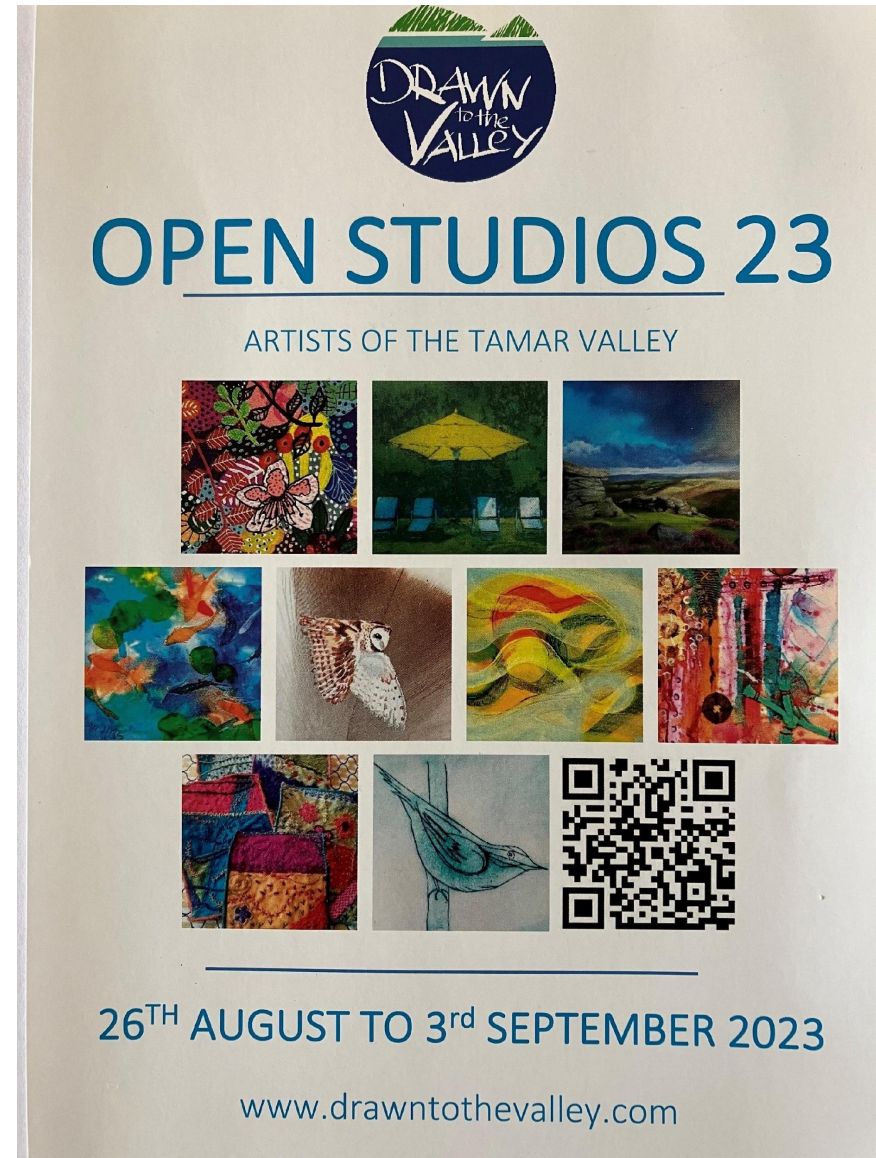
# Summer (Annual) Exhibition – A Success

- Total footfall 2582
- Total sales £8300 – with more larger pieces sold this year
- Total profit for Drawn to the Valley - £2400
- Feedback 'I think this is the best exhibition that Drawn to the Valley has ever put on'.



# Open Studios 2023 26<sup>th</sup> Aug – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept

Thank you to Kathy  
Lovell's team  
and also  
Jess Maslen &  
Ali Fife Cooke for  
producing the  
Brochure






# Open Studios at Ocean Studios, Royal William Yard



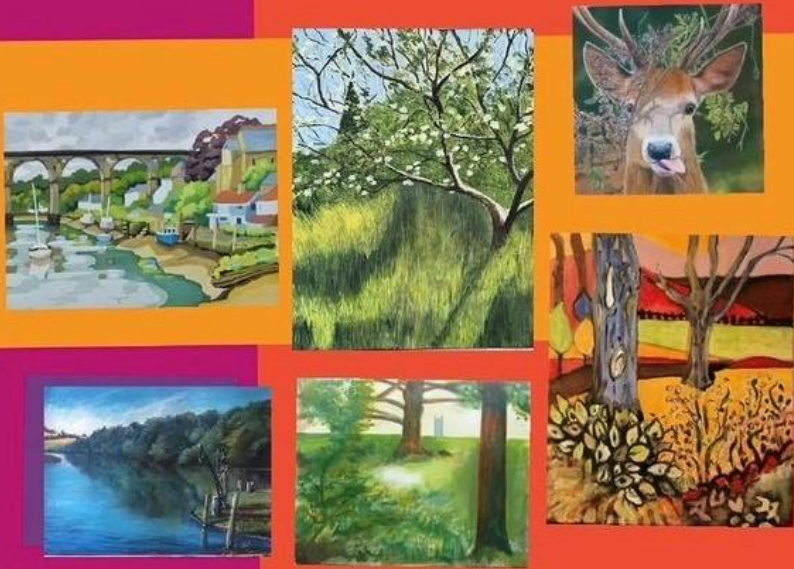


# Drawn to Cotehele 16<sup>th</sup> Sept – 10<sup>th</sup> Oct


  
National Trust

## Drawn to Cotehele

16 September to 1 October, 11am-4pm



This autumn, Cotehele and Drawn to the Valley are celebrating a year in the life of the Tamar Valley, as seen through the eyes of local artists.





# The Team at Drawn to Cotehele



Drawn to Make  
25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>  
November

Thank you  
Lyn Edwards  
and Sally O'Neill  
for leading this  
event

# DRAWN TO MAKE

Festival of contemporary makers

10<sup>am</sup> - 5<sup>pm</sup> Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023



**YELVERTON MEMORIAL HALL**

Meavy Lane, Yelverton, PL20 6AL



Café in support of Plymouth & Cornwall Cancer Fund





# Thank You to our Area Representatives

The current volunteers are:

- Callington & Liskeard: Rebecca Nesbitt and Shari Hills
- Calstock & Gunnislake: Peter Ursem
- Launceston & Lifton: VACANT
- Plymouth: Mary Toon and Jillian Morris
- Rame Peninsula: Charlotte Sainsbury
- Saltash: Melody James
- West Devon Villages: VACANT
- Tavistock: Anne (Rosemary) Wood
- Yelverton: Anne Crozier





# 2024 is our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

- The longevity of the group is testimony to its value as a support network for artists and makers in the Tamar Valley
- We plan a celebratory event to coincide with our Spring Exhibition
- We will also link with the Tamar Valley Centre AONB 2024 celebration of the life of William Turner who drew extensively on our beautiful landscape and seascapes in his art.

# A special 'Thank You' to our out-going committee

- Gilly Spottiswoode – Treasurer
- Kathy Lovell – Vice Chair
- Allie Cole – Working/Drawing Days coordinator
- Stef D'Amico – committee member and designer of many of our posters and leaflets

**A huge embrace and Thank You to all our Members.**

**YOU are at the heart of Drawn to the Valley**

## 4. Treasurer's Report: Gilly Spottiswoode



### Key points:

- This role has been demanding. Gilly has redesigned the sales sheets to simplify the process of recording sales at Exhibitions.
- Also, a member of each Events team is now designated to reconcile sales from the event, to streamline the process.
- The accounting package 'Xero' involves coding transactions. This has proven difficult this year, but the annual accounts do balance.
- This year we have made some significant investments: website, a DttV laptop, a mobile phone, four acrylic showcases for maker's display.

# Annual Accounts Summary of Key Points

|                  | 2023              |                  | 2022              |                  |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <b>Income</b>    |                   | £                |                   | £                |
| Membership Fees  |                   | 7,675.00         |                   | 10,190.51        |
| Exhibition Fees  |                   | 9,437.00         |                   | 7,795.50         |
| Exhibition Sales |                   | 17,621.40        |                   | 14,587.79        |
| Total Income     |                   | <b>35,851.08</b> |                   | <b>36,579.47</b> |
| <b>Expenses</b>  |                   |                  |                   |                  |
| Artist payments  | 18,635.09         |                  | 11,920.09         |                  |
| Exhibition costs | 7,275.13          |                  | 7,629.11          |                  |
| Admin salaries   | 5,702.92          |                  | 9,198.37          |                  |
| Total Expenses   | <b>-39,763.75</b> |                  | <b>-34,847.65</b> |                  |
| <b>Balance</b>   | <b>-3,912.67</b>  |                  | <b>+1,731.82</b>  |                  |



# Adoption of Treasurer's Report and Accounts

Do we unanimously adopt the Treasurer's Report and Accounts?

- Proposed?
- Seconded?

5. Membership  
Report  
Adrian Bower  
DttV Administrator



# Adoption of Membership Report

Do we unanimously adopt the Membership Report?

- Proposed?
- Seconded?

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## Resolutions & Proposals

- Adoption of Exhibition Manual
- 2024 Exhibition Schedule of Events & 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations



# Adoption of Exhibition Manual

The **Exhibition Manual** aims to provide guidance and consistency in the running of Drawn to the Valley events. It considers:

- Composition and remit of Exhibition Groups
- Task Schedule/Timetable of required actions/Administration
- Suitability of venues, Health & Safety, Risk Assessment, Boards and display equipment
- The Application Process, Financial Budget, Commission
- Art-work specifications
- Curation & Stewarding
- Evaluation
- Marketing & PR

# Adoption of Exhibition Manual

Do we unanimously adopt the draft Exhibition Manual as presented?

- Proposed?
- Seconded?

# 2024 Exhibition Schedule of Events & 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

## The following Exhibitions and Events are proposed for 2024

- **Drawn to Print** 22<sup>nd</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April, Ocean Studios, Royal William Yard
- **Spring** May Bank Holiday 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> May at The Market Hall  
2024 Celebration in the Dome, on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May
- **Summer** 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> August at Butchers Hall, Tavistock
- **Open Studios** August/September – the 2024 committee will set dates for this.
- **Autumn** Cotehele will not take place next year.
- **Drawn to Make** End November at Yelverton Memorial Hall?

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## Vote of Thanks to Outgoing Committee

- Gilly Spottiswoode – Treasurer
- Kathy Lovell – Vice Chair
- Allie Cole – Working/Drawing Days coordinator
- Stef D'Amico – committee member and designer of many of our posters and leaflets
- We would like to grant one-year free membership to the above
- Proposed:
- Seconded:

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## Election of Committee Members

The following Committee Members are confirmed as willing to stand again:

- Anne Payne
- Debra Parkinson
- Jess Maslen

It is proposed that Anne Payne steps down as Chair and takes the role of Vice Chair and Treasurer in 2024

Proposed:

Seconded:



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## Election of Committee Members

The following members of Drawn to the Valley have submitted application forms to join our committee:

Ali Fife Cooke – Proposed as our new Chair

Proposed: Anne Payne

Seconded: Anne Wood

Michael Jenkins – Committee Member

Proposed: Iain Grant

Seconded: Anne Payne

Anne Crozier – Committee Member

Proposed: Iain Grant

Seconded: Anne Payne

# Vote of Thanks to those on Non-Committee Roles

We give a huge Vote of Thanks to those who selflessly help-out in the background, without whom we would not survive as a network. These especially include:

- John Rowe and his team of board movers
- The Exhibition Working Parties
- The Social Media Group
- Stewards at events
- Area Coordinators

Any Other  
Business/Questions  
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