



Wolverhampton Society of Artists

PAINTING DAYS OUT 2021

Members, friends and family are invited to our painting days, which run from 10.00am to 4.00pm approx. **Members provide their own refreshments** – on site facilities are indicated when available, admission charge or contributions for charity where requested are indicated. Members attending these events do so at their own risk and we ask that the latest Covid guidelines are followed. Arrangements are subject to change dependant on Covid guidelines at the time and any changes will be replayed to members.

Wednesday 14th July – Dudmaston Hall, Quatt, near Bridgnorth, WV15 6QN. Picturesque National Trust mansion and grounds with lake and woodland. Free parking, toilets and café on site.

Entry £5 NT members free, no prebooking required.

Take A454 towards Bridgnorth, just after Worfield at Worfield Golf Club take left turn signposted Barnsley/Roughton. After two miles turn left at T junction onto A458. Take the second turning on the right signposted Quatt. At the end of this road Dudmaston Hall entrance is directly in front of you.

Wednesday 21st July – SVR Highley Station, Engine House and Severn Valley Country Park, Station Road, Highley, WV16 6NZ (Satnav not recommended). Pretty heritage station with passing steam trains plus large engine house with display of locomotives, carriages and railway artefacts. Adjacent is the Severn Valley Country Park for landscape painting.

Free entry (donations accepted) with toilets and café on site. Parking available 200yds away at Severn Valley Country Park in Station Road £2.30 all day charge, limited disabled parking at station.

From Wolverhampton take A454 to Bridgnorth. Cross river bridge and just before Bridgnorth SVR station take left turn onto B4363 then second left onto B4555 signposted Highley. Follow this into and through Highley, at far end of village take the left hand turning (Station Road) signposted Severn Valley Country Park. The car park is situated on the right-hand side.

Wednesday 28th July – Witley Court and Gardens, Worcester Road, Great Witley, Worcs WR6 6JT. Spectacular ruined mansion with formal gardens, monumental fountains, follies and stunning woodlands. Toilets and café on site, free parking.

Entry to ruin and grounds £9.90, English Heritage members free.

Tickets may have to be booked in advance due to Covid restrictions, check website closer to the time.

Wednesday 4th August – Bodenham Arboretum, Bodenham Lane, Wolverley, Kidderminster DY11 5TB. A 134-acre arboretum in a valley with more than 3000 tree and shrub species, 15 pools, footpaths and a small farm. Toilets and café on site, free parking.

Entry £6.50, no prebooking required.

From Wolverley follow the brown signs, 'Bodenham Arboretum' along B4189 until the arboretum entrance.

Wednesday 11th August – Wenlock Priory, Much Wenlock, TF13 6HS. Historic monastic ruin in a picturesque setting on the edge of Much Wenlock. Toilets and

free parking. No café but vending machine for drinks. Café's available 5 mins walk away in Much Wenlock.

Entry £7.60, English Heritage members free.

From Bridgnorth take A458 towards Much Wenlock. At Much Wenlock turn right along the high street following signs for Wenlock Priory. Parking is before the main gate into the priory.

Wednesday 18th August - Ironbridge, Shropshire. Urban sketching at the birthplace of the industrial revolution with views of the spectacular Ironbridge itself and the surrounding town and gorge. Parking available in Dale End car park, £2.90 charge for the day. Cafés and toilets available along the Wharfage.

Exit M54 junction 4 and follow brown signs for Ironbridge museums, on reaching Ironbridge, Dale End car park is at far end of The Wharfage, pay and display.

Wednesday 25th August – RAF Museum, Cosford, TF11 8UP. Fascinating display of aircraft, galleries and exhibits, interesting modern architecture.

Free entry, café and toilets on site, car parking charge £5.

From Wolverhampton take the A41 to Cosford. At Cosford crossroads turn left, signpost-ed RAF Cosford Museum. Follow this road until the museum carpark. From M54, exit junction 3 and follow signs for Wolverhampton. After 1 mile at Cosford crossroads turn right and follow road to museum car park. Tickets will be reserved as a group so please advise if attending.

We are gradually losing access to local venues of interest, as large estates are being converted to

luxury apartments. The organisers of our painting days out would be interested to received information of possible new venues for future outings together with comments from members on travelling distances considered acceptable. Please remember that toilet facilities are required at each venue.