

Under the Rainbow Events Spring Exhibition of Uplifting Art 2023

Bluewater Shopping Centre 13th February - 20th March 2023

Exhibition Catalogue



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A message from the Founders Ewa Page & Alison Ridley

Following the huge success of our previous exhibitions, we are delighted to be back at this amazing venue to bring you our Spring 2023 exhibition.

We carry forward our ethos to support Kent creatives by providing a platform to showcase their talent at Kent's leading shopping & leisure destination, and to provide an inclusive, joyful and uplifting exhibition for visitors.

Alongside this, we are continuing to raise funds for charity by exhibiting and selling donated artwork. All proceeds from charity sales during this event will go to Demelza Hospice Care for Children. Thank you to all the Artists who have donated artworks for our charitable causes.

Ewa and Alison would like to thank Bluewater for providing an amazing venue, the UTR team, friends and family who have supported them, all the supporters who have contributed and the media who have helped promote the exhibition. Most of all, their thanks goes to the outstanding talented artists whose beautiful work is here for you all to enjoy.



A special mention to our supporters

We have been so lucky to have help from an incredible group of supporters.

We would like to say a huge thank you to the Bluewater Management team and, in particular, Angela Buckley - Senior Retail Manager and Jack Kelly - Retail Manager, who have worked closely with us over the past couple of years, enabling us to bring you four fantastic shows.

We would also like to thank our panel of judges and other supporters who have contributed significantly to help make the event a success.

Exhibiting Artists

The core driving force of UTR and what makes it so special is our passion for supporting local art and talent across South East England. We put out an open call across social media platforms and art groups, and the response was overwhelming once again. Selection is always difficult with so much talent in our community!

From new and emerging talent, to professional artists with lots of experience, our cohort is so diverse and unique. Each has been selected because they embody the theme of 'Uplifting Art' in their work in such individual and interesting ways.

We would like to remind visitors that all art on display is for sale, and can be purchased through the sales desk. We are extremely excited to introduce our wonderful selection of exhibiting artists listed on the following pages.











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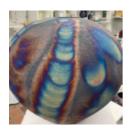
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Display Exhibitors

We are pleased to welcome our display exhibitors ranging from art students from Harris Academy Rainham and Hartlip Endowed Church of England Primary School as well as selected artwork from local prison art rehabilitation programs.

MEET THE FOUNDERS

Ewa Page Founder IG & FB: @ewapageart E: hello@ewapage.com W: www.ewapage.com

Ewa Page is a Polish/British artist based in Kent, whose work is inspired and influenced by aspects of nature and her imagination.

Ewa loves working outside in her garden because of the direct connection it provides with nature, which is clearly evident in her final pieces. Ewa's work is very personal, with her love of painting transferred onto each individual canvas and the colour palette reflecting her feelings and moods at the time of painting each artwork.

It is Ewa's intention to take the viewer to an imaginary land, a place of joy and laughter. Her work is a celebration of flowers, happiness and nature. She loves bright colours and the tones she finds around her.



In addition to creating her beautiful and unique artwork, Ewa came up with the concept of running an uplifting art exhibition to raise community spirit following Lockdown. Initially intended as a once off exhibition to give local artists the opportunity to showcase their work, Under The Rainbow with Ewa as the Chair, has grown to become a successful business. The organisation now runs up to 4 large scale exhibitions a year, in popular leisure and shopping destinations.

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Alison Ridley Co-Founder IG: @alisonridleyart FB: @Alison Ridley Bespoke-Framing E: allieridley@btinternet.com

Alison is a bespoke picture framer, mixed media artist and potter. She lives with her husband and two daughters on the family farm in Kent. After a long career in dentistry, and bringing up her daughters, Alison rekindled her love of art and re-trained as a framer and art conservation consultant. She became a member of the Fine Art Trade Guild in 2012.

Alison loves the challenges the medium of mosaic presents. She is also a potter and loves nothing more than to be elbow deep in clay at her potter's wheel! Alison is inspired by nature, particularly animals and bees. She has exhibited widely and holds an annual exhibition with guest artists at her home and in the setting of her cherished cottage garden.



Louise Arnold

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Based in Rainham, Kent, Louise is an artist and Mum of two, working in watercolour and digital media.

Louise is inspired by the colours and patterns in nature and specialises in wildlife art as well as animal and pet portraits. She loves to incoprorate vibrant colours into her work and feels it's important to use her art as a platform to raise awareness of endangered species.

Louise enjoys both watercolour and digital painting and has developed her own unique, colourful and vibrant style combining the two mediums.

Having had a career in marketing and design, Louise's art business Tickled Ink Art was born from a love of art, colour and technology following an illness diagnosis. Louise has a degree in Industrial Design and has always had a passion for art and an interest in all things digital.

Louise was Highly Commended in the Explorers Against Extinction Sketch for Survival competition 2021 and won the People's Choice Award at the Under the Rainbow Exhibition October 2021.

Louise also works on commissions and pet portraits.





















MEET THE SUPPORT TEAM

Ash Farmer

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A semi-abstract artist, based in Maidstone Kent.

After reaching a ripe age and not being able to compete in several demanding sporting activities which I had been competing in over many years - Football, MMA and long distance ultra running, due to picking up several injuries I needed something else to get into to get away from the everyday stresses and I took to painting in 2017, "when painting I am completely in the now and can focus on what is in front of me".

My art work is mainly acrylic on either canvas or board, semi abstract which allows me to express myself and paint freely, bringing characters and objects alive!

































Sarah Lake

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Sarah Lake is a paper artist from Ashford, Kent. She discovered papercutting 10 years ago and quickly found a love of layered papercutting.

She has been making and donating her work to various charities such as The Big Cat Sanctuary in Smarden, which helps with raising much needed funds.

Each piece is cut by hand with a scalpel, using 6-9 sheets of paper. These are then glued down to give the artwork its depth.

Each piece can take between 7-21 days to make, depending on size and detail.

They are made using a photograph usually taken by herself. Every Artwork is an original, with the photograph only used to make one piece.

Sarah won Explorers Against Extinction's Sketch for Survival Wildlife 100 Artist of the Year 2021. Where her winning piece 'Achilles' was displayed in the OXO Gallery in London before being auctioned off.

She was a finalist in David Shepherd's Wildlife Artist of the Year 2022.

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Jade Taylor IG & FB: @jadetaylorartist W: jadetaylorstudio.com E: jadetaylorstudio@gmail.com

Jade works across a range of disciplines, from her purpose-built garden studio, surrounded by the flora and fauna that inspires her. Originally trained as a textile designer at Nottingham Trent University, specialising in embroidery, her love of colour and pattern flow through her work.

For this exhibition she has created a new series of delicate collaged works, that see observational painting combined with botanical printmaking to create representational and sometime whimsical works on linen, with the natural world and the environment very much at their heart. The work focuses on our many beautiful and endangered native species, alongside some more colourful subjects beyond these shores.

Her work is held in private collections in the UK, Europe, New Zealand and Japan. Having taught Fine Art for nearly 30 years, she is now focussing on her own practice, although still sharing her wealth of knowledge and passion for Art through workshops, courses and private tuition, in her garden studio, that was set up, not only as her work space, but as an inspiring environment to share skills and enjoy getting creative.















David Tovey

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David Tovey is based in Maidstone and first took up the pen and watercolour brush in 2018.

David has always had a drive to put his impressions onto paper; writing poetry, short stories plus as a photographer, and of late as a watercolour painter.

David retired from his job as a trouble-shooter in the paper trade in 2018 and together with his wife Valerie, attended beginner's watercolour classes with Kent Adult Education. The art gradually took over from photography as a creative outlet and instead of photographing landscapes and nature, David sketched them. Currently David's photography is reserved for portraits and by special request, the occasional wedding.

David paints and draws from life or photographs rather than from the imagination and would never describe himself as a patient painter. Developing his own style of rapid sketching with pen and watercolour, David's sketches of landscapes, animals and flowers, give the illusion of being detailed when they are, in fact, impressionistic. The resultant works are joyful, exuberant and life- affirming and hang, in increasing number, on walls in other people's homes.

His landscape artworks are primarily made on location (painted en-plein air), with animal portraits and pet commissions produced in his home studio from photographs.

David's art is available as Original works, prints on paper and canvas, plus greetings cards.

David first exhibited in 2019 at The Riverside Gallery in Yalding, followed by smaller exhibitions at the Eclectic Gallery in Margate and Westgate Galleria in Westgate. David held a major solo art exhibition in The Pie Factory Margate in August 2021 followed by local craft shows and his inclusion in The Under the Rainbow Events in Bluewater and McArthurGlen Outlet.



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Nicky Mac

Nicky is an emerging artist who creates abstract art with an emphasis on colour, movement, texture and contrasts that occur within nature.

She is currently building a collection of work called "Layers in Time," creating abstract landscapes on canvas and wood. She uses fluid art and mixed media to create textured, relief art with mesmerising patterns, unique colour combinations, and decorative elements.

As a multimedia artist, she also creates eyecatching, limited edition fine art print designs with an optical, repeating colour style that she calls her "Echo" collection.



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Chris Snode

Chris was Britain's first World Diving Champion and competed in three Olympics from 1976 through to 1984.

During that time Chris pursued his love of art in America, graduating with a fine art degree from the University of Florida in 1981.

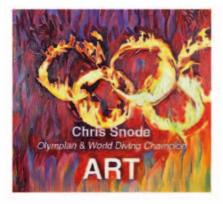


Chris was inducted into the University's Hall of Fame in 1993. During the Covid pandemic, when his regular work in film and TV dried up, he returned to painting, working from a basement studio in Crystal Palace.









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