

north devon arts

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8.30PM 8th JULY 2009

AT BROOMHILL ART HOTEL, MUDDIFORD, BARNSTAPLE

Pre-AGM Artist's Talks – 'Inspiration'

Many thanks to the artists who spoke on the night of their work & inspirations. Zoe Felix showed her raku ceramics with voluptuous nudes embedded in them. Margo Benson spoke about sourcing ethical jewels for her jewellery making, and Roger Webb showed his sketch books and also some of his commercial illustration work as well as talking about inspirational artists who had influenced him.

AGM

APOLOGIES

NDA Committee Members: Rosie Burns; Dave Green

2008 MINUTES

Proposed as a true and accurate report by Stella Levy, seconded by Linda Hajdukiewicz.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Presented by Tony Benson for our joint-Treasurers Tony and Margo Benson. Expenses exceeded income for the first time this year by £259.57. Please contact treasurer@northdevonarts.co.uk for a copy of their financial report. Proposed as a true and accurate report by Stella Levy, seconded by Linda Hajdukiewicz.

CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT

Stella followed on with her chair's report (full report on NDA website). Stella's report noted her position on the steering group for the Ilfracombe Cultural Regeneration project, with its proposed international gallery space. NDA has also been in talks regarding use of a building in Barnstaple as a gallery. NDA held an EGM in November and Arts Organisation membership is now offered. Membership stays buoyant at just under 200 households.

Outgoing committee members were thanked: Kate Rowley as Membership Secretary, Emily Garnham-Wright as Web Master, Penny Jackson on special projects. Continuing committee members were also thanked, including Linda Hajdukiewicz, Rosie Burns, Margo and Tony Benson, Dave Green and Alison Nicholson (and exhibition team!). This year we've had excellent and high profile speakers, such as Peter Randall Page, Chris Chapman and Tracy Chevalier. Our involvement continues with the Appledore Festival, North Devon Festival and North Devon Open Art Show.

The committee have taken the decision to raise the NDA annual fee to £20, with postal membership at £30. This membership fee has not changed over the last eight years and it was felt that at £20, still represents extremely good value. It will come into effect from January 2010 when renewals are due and from October for any new new members joining. Thanks lastly to Rinus and Aniet at Broomhill and to the NDA members who make it such a lively organisation.

RESIGNATION OF THE COMMITTEE

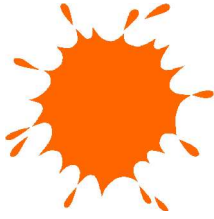
Nigel Mason took the position of chair and dismissed the committee:

Chair, Stella Levy (Will re-stand)
Newsletter Editor, Linda Hajdukiewicz (Will re-stand)
Minutes Secretary, Rosie Burns (Will re-stand)
Joint Treasurers, Tony & Margo Benson(Will re-stand)
Exhibitions Officer, Alison Nicholson(Will re-stand)
Press Officer, Dave Green(Will re-stand)
Special Projects, Penny Jackson(Not re-standing)
NDA Web Master, Emily Garnham Wright(Not re-standing)
Membership Secretary, Kate Rowley(Not re-standing)

Committee members not re-standing stood down.

ELECTION OF NEW NDA COMMITTEE

The committee members willing to continue were voted back en bloc (proposed by Penny Jackson)



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Nominations:

Creydi John Nevill for committee member – nominated by Kate Rowley, seconded by Alison Nicholson.

There are still vacancies on the committee for Web Master and Membership Secretary – if you are willing to take on either role, a full handover will be given and support during handover. You do not need any technical knowledge to be Web Master or Membership Secretary. For either role you just need to be able to use a computer/ the Internet and be willing to learn!

AOB

- Suggestion by Zoe Felix that we try to support North Devon School of Art students more. More information dissemination via School of Art. Also pointed out that there are always exhibitions on at the School's Goodwin Gallery.
- Roger Webb keen to set up a drawing club observing from nature once a month. Linda to put info into newsletter.
- Discussion of the newsletter content. Many found useful, though some concerned about the lateness of deadlines (though Linda noted that often only gets info at the last minute). Possibility of more newsfeeds via website in future, if we can fund/man. Will be discussed at future NDA committee meeting. Also discussion of a year planner of annual local events – committee again to take forward.

With thanks to all who took part (about 40 in attendance), meeting closed at 9.45pm 2009.

Date of next AGM

To be confirmed – July 2010.