

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### FESTIVAL OF WATERCOLOUR ON ITS WAY TO WELLS MALTINGS

Art enthusiasts can look forward to another exciting exhibition at Wells Maltings in Wells-next-the-Sea with the Society of East Anglian Watercolourists (SEAW) set to show their work in the Handa Gallery from Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January to Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

Following a Private View on the first evening, Awash: A Festival of Watercolour will be open to the public from 11am to 4pm daily, featuring original paintings and greetings cards, demonstrations, workshops and more.

All of the work will be for sale, and the quality promises to be high, with the original paintings submitted by SEAW members. Following a call to artists at the end of last year, there will also be a small selection of other watercolour work on display, sent in by other aspiring East Anglian artists, and selected and approved by the prestigious SEAW panel.

SEAW chair Vandy Massey said: "The Society of East Anglian Watercolourists is a regional group of experienced watercolourists who exhibit together on a regular basis. We aim to promote the medium of watercolour across Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk and Suffolk."

For £15 per annum, keen watercolourists can become Friends of the SEAW and take advantage of a range of benefits, advice, newsletters and social events.

During the Festival of Watercolour at Wells Maltings, for example, there will be a host of watercolour workshops which are priced at £45 each or £35 for Friends of the SEAW. These focus on experimental watercolours, the sky and sea of East

Anglia, creating texture in watercolour, abstracts, portraits and painting wildlife, as well as two workshops called 'Going with the Flow' which will be run by Alan Noyes, whose work has been exhibited by the much-respected Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolours and the Institute of East Anglian Artists.

The Awash workshops are as follows:-

Experimental Watercolours with Vandy Massey  
Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January

The sky and sea of East Anglia with Tony Osler  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February

Creating texture in watercolour with Gilly Marklew  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

Abstracts in watercolour and ink with Stuart Green  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February

Going with the flow with Alan Noyes  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February

Going with the flow 2 with Alan Noyes  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Painting wildlife in watercolour with Stephanie Butler  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February

Portraits in watercolour with Stephanie Butler  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

Experimental watercolour with Vandy Massey  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February

To sign up as a Friend of the SEAW or to book a workshop, go to:  
[www.seaw.co.uk](http://www.seaw.co.uk) and for more details on Awash, A Festival of Watercolour at Wells Maltings, visit: [www.wellsmaltings.org.uk](http://www.wellsmaltings.org.uk)

The new Wells Maltings arts, heritage and community centre is located on Staithe Street, Wells-next-the-Sea, North Norfolk, NR23 1AN. Also on Facebook and Twitter.

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