

CENTREPIECES

Mental Health Arts Project
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The King's Award
for Voluntary Service

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WORKSHOP BROCHURE

JUNE 2026

WORKSHOP BOOKING INFORMATION

- A charge of £5.00 is made for in person workshops and £4.00 for Zoom workshops, to cover the cost of resources. Untutored sessions are charged at £2.00.
 - All workshops (except Drop-in sessions) are non refundable and must be **booked and paid for in advance**. Refunds will only be considered if bookings are cancelled for an unavoidable reason **24 hours in advance by email to suet998@gmail.com**
 - Bookings can be made **up to a month in advance** once the brochure for that month has been published and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. **To aid planning and admin please book workshops by 4pm on Friday of the previous week.**
 - Workshops advertised as a course or with a set cost for a number of sessions will be booked and charged at the advertised cost, even if a session is missed – **please read flyers carefully.**
 - All bookings will be confirmed by email and a waiting list held for over-subscribed workshops. Priority places at the next session will be given to those on the waiting list.
 - **To book, or with any workshop or art credit queries or cancellations, email suet998@gmail.com.** I am only available to deal with workshop admin between 10am and 4pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. **I do not work a weekends.**
- ❖ **Bank Account details**
 - ❖ **Account No: 73401340 (Centrepieces CIO)**
 - ❖ **Sort Code: 20-62-69**
 - ❖ **Reference: ARTCREDIT**
 - ❖ Cheques payable to 'Centrepieces CIO'
 - ❖ **Please allow time for payments to show in your account, it can take 7 days or more (cheque payments will take longer) so make sure you pay in well in advance of booking.**

Workshop Rules

- You will receive an email link for zoom workshops from the workshop host
- Please wear appropriate footwear and clothing for the workshop
- Keep conversation light-hearted and relevant and remember that a quiet, relaxed atmosphere helps concentration.
- The Centrepieces **Code of Conduct** must be adhered to at all times during workshops.
- Be aware of your surroundings when on zoom (other people and background conversations).

Catch up Session at the Lodge With Andrew



WHERE: At The Lodge
DATE: Monday 1st June 2026
TIME: 10.30 am - 1pm
COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum

Andrew will be running a catch up session for artists who have finishing touches to add to their creations.

So, if you have an unfinished airdrying clay piece, or a polymer clay bird to work on, then book your spot and finish it off!

“Art is an adventure into an unknown world, which can be explored only by those willing to take risks” Mark Rothko

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Sculpting Dogs at the Lodge With Lucy

WHERE: At The Lodge
DATE: Mondays 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th June 2026
TIME: 10.30 am - 1pm
COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum

Join Lucy and create a pooch of your choice out of clay!

We'll have a range of inspiration, ranging in difficulty level, and explore creating small dog sculptures in different poses.



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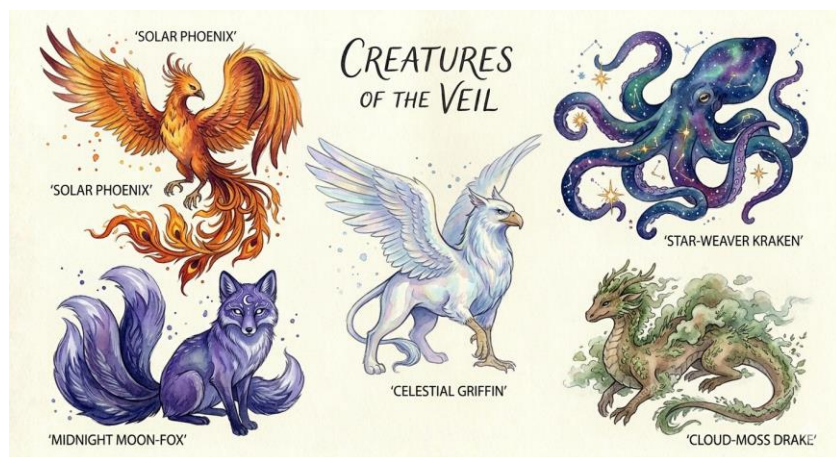
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Watercolour Mythical Beasts at the Lodge With Nicki

WHERE: At The Lodge
DATE: Mondays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th June 2026
TIME: 2 pm - 4 pm
COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum

Bring mythical beasts to life in this hands-on watercolour workshop! Watercolour is the perfect medium for capturing the ethereal, magical nature of fantasy beings—allowing you to blend soft, translucent glows with crisp, detailed linework.

Learn to balance loose, organic paint bleeds with fine-line detailing to build your own legendary menagerie. Perfect for all skill levels!



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Polymer Clay Birds At the Lodge with Andrew

WHERE: At The Lodge

DATE: Tuesdays 2nd & 9th June 2026

TIME: 10.30 am - 1pm

COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum

Join Andrew as he continues his intro into working with Polymer Clay, taking inspiration from the birds we may see around Hall Place and the London Borough of Bexley. No prior experience with Polymer Clay required, as Andrew will be sharing his tips and tricks for this type of clay!



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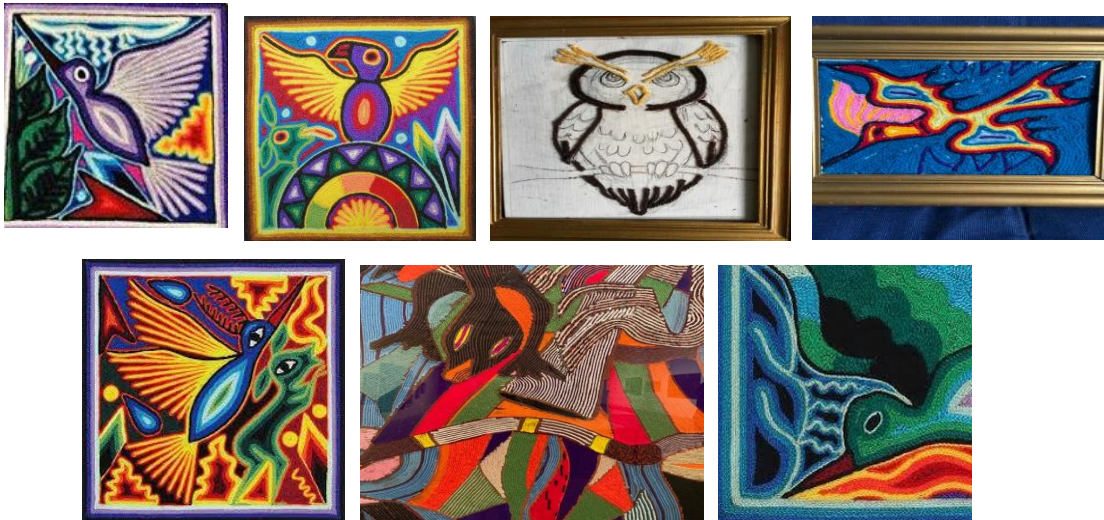
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‘CREATE A HUICHOL TRIBAL STYLE BIRD USING YARN PAINTING TECHNIQUES’ at the Lodge with Sue Wieck

WHERE: At The Lodge
DATE: Tuesdays 16th & 23rd June 2026
TIME: 10.30 am - 1pm
COST: £5 in person - 6 Artists Maximum (refundable as part of
The Birds on a Wire Project)

In this workshop, you will be working from your choice of a bird image, in a stylized way. Using colourful yarns to create a decorative art work, you will be given guidance as to how to replicate the effects seen in Huichol art.

The ‘HUICHOL’ tribe of Mexico are known for preserving Pre Columbian traditions and they are renowned for their use of vibrant and exotic colours in their yarn paintings. They represent their deep spiritual connection to nature. This type of artwork is also seen in the work of the Nigerian Modernists who created similar pieces out of yarn and coloured string which is stuck onto boards using beeswax



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CREATING BIRDS USING RECYCLED MATERIALS at the Pop Up With Sue & Natalie

WHERE: Pop Up
DATE: Tuesday 30th June 2026
TIME: 10.30 am - 1pm
COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum
(refundable as part of the Birds on a Wire project)



In one session, you will be shown how to cut a plastic bottle in 4 steps to create your bird. This can then be decorated and details added to complete this 3D sculpture.

We will be helping the environment by repurposing materials that would usually be disposed of, and recycling them into fun and quirky hanging birds. These birds can be displayed for educational purposes to open discussion around recycling, and also function as bird feeders/water catchers.

Did you know: Plastic can take up to 500 years to decompose; 275,000 tonnes of plastic are used each year in the UK: that's about 15 million bottles per day. Most families throw away about 40kg of plastic a year, which could be recycled. Waste material can have a detrimental effect upon the environment, with huge amounts of waste reaching landfill, leaching into our waterways and wildlife habitats.



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COMMUNITY ZOOMS FROM ROYAL COLLECTION TRUST 2026

Community Zoom talks run as part of our Inclusion Programme, which aims to make the Official Residences of The King and Royal Collection as accessible as possible, working with Community partners who support under-reached, disadvantaged and disabled people.



Our programme of Zoom talks, for people who cannot easily visit the Official Residences of The King, take place on the first Wednesday of the month, from 2pm. Join us to hear about the different works in the Royal Collection, the Official Royal Residences and the history of the Monarchy. Talks are free and informal, and you can participate camera on or off.

Wednesday 7 January	State Banquets at Windsor Castle
Wednesday 4 February	20th Century British Art in the Royal Collection
Wednesday 4 March	Queen Victoria and Windsor
Wednesday 1 April	Courtly Collecting: George IV and the 3rd Marquess of Hertford
Wednesday 6 May	An Introduction to Queen Elizabeth II: Her Life in Style
Wednesday 3 June	Courtly Collecting: George III
Wednesday 1 July	LGBTQ+ art in the Royal Collection
Wednesday 5 August	A Virtual walkthrough of Buckingham Palace
Wednesday 2 September	Courtly Collecting: George IV at Windsor & Holyrood
Wednesday 7 October	Photos of the Royal Household in the Royal Photographic Collection
Wednesday 4 November	Painting in Small: Miniatures as an art form
Wednesday 2 December	Pantomimes and the second world war at Windsor Castle

Join Zoom Meeting – camera on or off:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4407732986>

Meeting ID: 440 773 2986

Community Group Leaders: if you would like to arrange a specific zoom talk for your group, please email communitylearning@rct.uk

Stone Carving: The Art of Bird Wings



Outdoor Sculpture at the Lodge *with Willow*

A 4 week course throughout **JUNE 2026**

(part of the Birds on a Wire Project)

WHERE: At the **LODGE**
DATE: Thursdays 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th June 2026
TIME: 10.30am - 1pm
COST: £10 (subsidised at part of the BOAW project)

Join **Willow Winston**, the Patron of Centrepieces, for an immersive stone carving workshop at the Lodge. Supported by our Outdoor Sculpture volunteers, this hands-on session will guide you through the rewarding process of carving Portland stone.

What to expect:

- **Master the Blueprint:** Use clever cardboard cutout techniques to map out the depth, volume, and composition of your relief carving before touching the stone.
- **Explore Nature's Design:** Bird wings are marvels of evolutionary engineering—designed for lift and thrust, yet vital for balance and expression.
- This workshop invites you to translate that perfect biological form into beautiful Portland stone.
- Suitable for all levels - and will cover all essential safety measures and teach you the basics of the stone carving tools.
- *Safety goggles & masks provided, or bring your own ~ heavy/closed toe shoes must be worn.*

Maximum participants - 8 so please book early.

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Sunsets with Silhouettes at the Pop Up With Nicki

WHERE: At The Pop Up
DATE: Fridays 5th & 12th June 2026
TIME: 11am - 1pm
COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum



Unwind and find your creative flow in this relaxing two-week workshop. You will learn to smoothly blend a vibrant sunset sky before layering a clean, black silhouette on top. Focus on the soothing process of painting and walk away with a beautiful, completed canvas of your chosen design.

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Oceans & Rainbows

an Abstract Rainbow Painting Workshop 



celebrating Pride Month and World Ocean Day

WHERE: At The Pop Up
DATE: Fridays 19th & 26th June 2026
TIME: 11am - 1pm
COST: £5 in person - 8 Artists Maximum

Abstract art is all about freedom, motion, and intuition. This June, we celebrate our planet—and a community—that is diverse, colourful, and unique!

Inspired by the deep, swirling energy of the sea, we will use thick, expressive brushstrokes and palette knives to paint a stunning, abstract, rainbow-themed artwork. Together, we will symbolise a powerful, dynamic community swimming through the deep ocean.

Join Karen for this 2 week workshop, which aims to bring together Diversity and Biodiversity through the shared values of Pride and Nature.

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Creative Writing

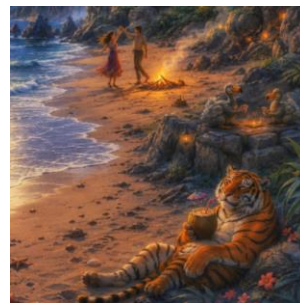
WHERE: At The Pop Up
DATE: Fridays 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th June 2026
TIME: 2 pm - 3.30 pm
COST: £4 in person £4 on zoom - 6 Artists Maximum

With June bringing the warmer weather and sunshine, come and join the Creative Writing group during another month of fun and exciting writing activities.

This June, the Creative Writing group at Centrepieces is belatedly (yet very proudly) celebrating Deaf Awareness Week (4th - 10th May) with some special writing prompts designed to encourage greater awareness, empathy and understanding for Deaf people and the challenges they experience.

We'll also be having another fun-packed round of our very-own Creative Writing quiz. How many questions will YOU be able to answer from our curious collection? Come along and have a go!

Whether you're a new writer exploring creative writing, or Shakespeare's understudy, our Creative Writing group aspires to offer you a fun and refreshing challenge to get those ideas flowing.



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CRAFT CLUB AT THE POP UP

The Manor House, The Green, Sidcup, DA14 6BW

On

Saturdays 13th and 27th June 2026

The Craft Club is open to CP artists and members
of the public - everyone welcome!

Time: 10.30am - 1pm ~ Cost: £3

Bring your own craft activity to do, or use our Paper Craft Packs which are available to buy ~ This is a social group with occasional guided activities (optional) ~ Share ideas and techniques while enjoying a cuppa! (included in price).



Children are welcome (7+) if accompanying an adult.

For more information contact email: centrepiecespopup@gmail.com

ARTIST STUDIO SPACES AVAILABLE AT SIDCUP MANOR HOUSE

Ready to dedicate time to your art?

- OUR STUDIO SPACES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ARTISTS TO USE ON A MONTHLY BASIS!
- COST: £30 PER CALENDAR MONTH!
- WEEKDAY ACCESS TUESDAYS- FRIDAYS FROM 10.30 AM - 4 PM.
- OPEN ON SATURDAYS 10.30 AM - 2 PM (AT LEAST TWICE A MONTH)

For more info and to arrange a viewing
please contact Nicki via email:
centrepiecespopup@gmail.com



The Lodge at Hall Place

Centrepieces main office is located in The Lodge, just right of the entrance to Hall Place car park.

The Lodge

Hall Place
Bourne Road
Bexley
Kent DA5 1PQ



The Pop-Up at Sidcup Manor House

Since April 2023 we have been using part of Sidcup Manor House as a Pop-up space for artist's studios and some of our workshops and events.

PopUp@Sidcup

Sidcup Manor House
The Green
Sidcup DA14 6BW

