

Rayleigh Windmill Exhibitions 2017



The following exhibitions will take place on the second floor of the Windmill during the 2017 season. Visitors can also 'meet the artists', who will be there with their exhibition during opening hours.

The Windmill is open from 2 April – 1 October on:
Wednesdays from 10am-1pm and Saturdays and Sundays from 1-4pm

Entry is FREE, a minimum £1 donation per person is encouraged.
Please note the dates that the Windmill is closed for private events overleaf.



Sunday 2 April – Wednesday 19 April

Mary Blindflowers – Oneiric and symbolic paintings

Oil on canvas and charcoal drawings, lino and mixed media artworks on various surfaces by the Italian artist Mary Blindflowers based in Hertfordshire. Many of these artworks are used in Mary's books production as paperback and hardback covers of her own books, published currently in Italy. One of the most recent Mary Blindflowers books is Tibbs and Tibbs that is available in English language too and its cover represents one of her most loved and most appreciated paintings. Mary's style is rich of symbolic images that represent her deepest approach to metaphysical and phenomenal reality.

Saturday 22 April – Sunday 7 May

Dave Gilmore - People, places and the odd Tiger and Cheetah

Dave, who is based in Hullbridge, is very pleased to be back at the Windmill and this year is exhibiting paintings of mainly people, either as individuals or as an integral part of a picture. All work is in oils on either canvas or board. There will also be copies of paintings by Renoir, Monet, and Modigliani that fall within the general theme of the exhibition. Dave will be painting live during opening times – why not pop in for a chat.



Wednesday 10 May – Wednesday 24 May

Keith Gravestock - A Bit of Glass

Keith creates unique works of art in glass which are both functional and affordable, from leaded stained glass windows and copper foiled items (Tiffany style) to fused glass pictures, plates and jewellery, as well as painted vases and mirrors. Visitors can also see him in action, as Keith will be demonstrating the creation of items using the copper foiling technique. As a member of the Guild of Essex Craftsmen, Keith currently exhibits across Essex and is looking forward to his first exhibition at Rayleigh Windmill.

Saturday 27 May – Sunday 25 June

Compass Photography Group

We are Jean, Mike, Molly and Shru, former photography students from Writtle College. We formed Compass Photography Group on completion of 2 years of study. Each passionate about creating images in a different genre, we aim to bring out the best in our subjects. Subjects vary between macro images of the natural world, landscapes, portraits and street photography. We will display a collection of different images which will complement the lovely setting offered by Rayleigh Windmill.



Listings continued overleaf



Wednesday 28 June – Wednesday 19 July

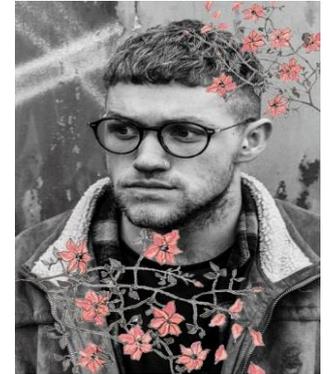
Nicki Price - Journeys

Nicki travelled extensively and described these travels and her impressionist painting as her 'therapy' in managing her emotions during her terminal illness. Nicki held two London exhibitions but always wished to display her work in her home town, and was proud of her Essex roots. We may not be able to tell you much about the artist materials, but we are fortunate enough to travel with her, and would love to talk about the amazing person and artist she was.

Saturday 22 July – Sunday 13 August

Abbey Parsons

Abbey is a Conceptual Photographic Artist that takes a mixed media approach to her work. Mainly photographing people, Abbey uses a range of medias to enhance her imagery. Growing up surrounded by creative people, creativity is key when it comes to Abbey creating the work that she does. This exhibition give you the opportunity to come and see Abbey's work on display at the Rayleigh Windmill, ask questions about the work, and also engage in a creative experiment.



Wednesday 16 August – Wednesday 30 August

Joan Wilson

I am Joan Wilson, 87 years old but young at heart! I'm an amateur artist and paint mostly in oils. I do a range of subjects, some quirky, and I like a challenge. I began painting in 1976 and didn't really have a clue but I watched an artist on TV and learnt about "light and shade" and perspective. I'm still learning 40 years on! I enjoy creating pictures and I hope other people will enjoy looking at my work.

Sunday 3 September – Sunday 1 October

David and Qiong Morley

David & Qiong Morley's artworks are inspired by the time they have spent travelling central China, immersed in the culture. The artworks reflect aspects of Chinese mythology and traditions, connected to and including good fortune, happiness, and wellbeing. The exhibition is a fusion of East and West, presenting paintings and drawings by Essex born artist David Morley and calligraphy by Qiong Morley from Hunan Province China.



Due to private events the Windmill will be closed on the following dates:

Please check before visiting as these dates are subject to change and opening times may vary:

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| Saturday 1 April | Wednesday 5 April | Saturday 22 April |
| Wednesday 31 May | Saturday 3 June | Saturday 10 June |
| Saturday 17 June | Saturday 15 July | Wednesday 26 July |
| Saturday 29 July | Sunday 30 July | Sunday 13 August |
| Saturday 26 August | Saturday 2 September | Saturday 16 September |



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