

# POLDRATE ARTS & CRAFTS CENTRE NEWSLETTER



**PACC Newsletter Term 2**

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## Annual Christmas Lecture

We are delighted to welcome Dr Andrew Watson to give our hugely successful Christmas Lecture this year which will be on “Painting Winter in France and Scotland: 1860 - 1980”. Andrew has entertained attendees at previous lectures with his engaging style, extensive knowledge and clear delight in his subjects.

*“When I look at snow, I see pinks and lilacs in the shadows, and these shades are everywhere.”* Camille Pissarro. Atmospheric, bleak, beautiful, silent – this talk will explore the variety of interpretations of winter through the works of Jean François Millet, Camille

Pissarro, Alfred Sisley, Joan Eardley and Vicky Crowe. The lecture will be at 7pm on Friday 28 November on the 3rd floor of the Granary. Tickets (which include festive drinks and nibbles) cost £5 for members and £3 for non-members available from [www.thepacc.org.uk/public-lecture](http://www.thepacc.org.uk/public-lecture) or by scanning the QR code to the right. Our special thanks to The Cray Trust, who have kindly supported this lecture.



## New Knitting Class

Have you been enjoying Channel 4's “Game of Wool”? Interested in learning to knit? We can't offer Tom Daley, but we can offer the chance to learn or develop your skills. Helen Gembles, a lifelong knitter, will guide you through everything from the basics to advanced techniques. Why not join her on Mondays 2-4pm. For more details see [www.thepacc.org.uk/classes-list/](http://www.thepacc.org.uk/classes-list/)



## AGM Held and Volunteers Invited

On Thursday 13 November we held our Annual General Meeting. It was very well attended and was followed by a feedback session on how we book our classes and groups. We said farewell and thanks to Grazyna Fremi-Hamilton for her hard work on the committee, and were delighted to welcome two new volunteers. If you have skills you could bring to our volunteer-run creative organisation we'd be delighted to hear from you. Please get in touch at [info@thepacc.org.uk](mailto:info@thepacc.org.uk).

## Dates for your diary

- **22 November** term 1 ends
- **28 November** Christmas Lecture
- **29 November** Term 2 member rebooking for existing classes only
- **6 December** Term 2 general booking opens
- **5 January–6 March 2026:** term 2
- **16 March 2026:** Annual Members Exhibition handing-in
- **21 March—29 March 2026:** Annual Members Exhibition
- **20 April—27 June 2026:** Term 3

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## CLASS & GROUP TIMETABLE



### TERM 2: 5 January to 7 March 2026 for 9 weeks

| Class                                          | Tutor/Leader      | Day                              | Date (if not weekly)                             | Time                                                        | Price £ |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Basket Making (Beginners/ Improvers)           | Janice Hall       | Monday                           | 19/1, 2/2, 16/2, 2/3                             | 10am–3pm                                                    | 111.00  |
| Basket Making (Self-help)                      | Janice Hall       | Friday                           | 16/1, 30/1, 13/1, 27/2, 6/3                      | 10am-1pm                                                    | 35.00   |
| Basket Making Workshops (Intermediate)         | Sandra Scholes    | No regular class                 | TBC                                              | TBC                                                         | TBC     |
| Clay Portraiture (Self-help)                   | Gillian Taylor    | Tuesday                          | Every week                                       | 10am-12noon<br>7-9pm                                        | 35.00   |
| Kiln Glass                                     | Mary Frith        | Monday<br>Friday                 | Every week<br>Every week                         | 7-9pm<br>10am-12noon                                        | 104.00* |
| Knitting                                       | Helen Gembles     | Monday                           | Every week                                       | 2-4pm                                                       | 81.00   |
| Knitting                                       | Helen Donaghue    | Tuesday                          | 10 weeks (from 3/3)                              | 7-9pm                                                       | 90.00   |
| Life Drawing (Self-help)                       | Kate Hunter       | Saturday                         | 10/1, 24/1, 31/1, 14/2, 28/2                     | 1-4pm                                                       | 80.00   |
| Painting: Acrylic                              | Ailish Kelly      | Wednesday                        | Every week                                       | 10.30am-12.30pm                                             | 81.00   |
| Painting: Experiment and Create in Watercolour | Sheena Phillips   | Friday                           | Every week                                       | 10am-12noon                                                 | 81.00   |
| Painting: Oil (Self-help)                      | Colin Cruickshank | Thursday                         | Every week                                       | 10am-12noon                                                 | 35.00   |
| Painting (Self-help)                           | Leonard Mair      | Thursday                         | Every week                                       | 6.30-8.30pm                                                 | 35.00   |
| Painting and Drawing                           | Iona Molleson     | Monday                           | 8 weeks (not 16/2)                               | 7-9pm                                                       | 97.00*  |
| Painting and Drawing                           | Owen Normand      | Monday                           | Every week                                       | 9.30am-12noon                                               | 101.00  |
| Pottery                                        | Lorna Chamberlin  | Tuesday<br>Wednesday<br>Thursday | 10 weeks from w/c 5/1                            | 10am-12noon<br>7-9pm<br>10am-12noon<br>7-9pm<br>10am–12noon | 150.00* |
| Print making                                   | Lyndsay Fergus    | Wednesday                        | 6 weeks (from 28/1)                              | 2-4pm<br>4.30-6.30pm<br>7-9pm                               | 97.00*  |
| Silver Jewellery (Self-help)                   | Victoria Murray   | Tuesday                          | Every week                                       | 7-9pm                                                       | 35.00   |
| Spinning (Self-help)                           | Grazyna Fremi     | Tuesday                          | Every week                                       | 10am-12noon                                                 | 35.00   |
| Upholstery                                     | Sylvia Norris     | Tuesday<br>Thursday              | Every week<br>Every week                         | 12noon–3pm<br>3.30-6.30pm<br>10am-1pm<br>1.30-4.30pm        | 137.00* |
| Weaving                                        | Kirsty Odds       | Wednesday<br>Thursday            | 8 weeks (not 28/1)<br>8 weeks (not 22/1 or 29/1) | 10am-12.30pm<br>10am-12.30pm                                | 90.00   |
| Weaving (Self-help)                            | Marie Henderson   | Tuesday                          | Every week                                       | 1-3pm                                                       | 35.00   |
| Woodcarving (Self-help)                        | Alex Stewart      | Thursday                         | Every week                                       | 10am-12noon                                                 | 35.00   |

#### How to Enroll in a PACC Class

- Become a member of PACC. It costs £15 for a year. You can do this online at [www.thepacc.org.uk](http://www.thepacc.org.uk)
- Choose your class and enroll online by going to the "Classes List" section of the website [www.thepacc.org.uk](http://www.thepacc.org.uk)
- All classes have full details on the tutor pages of the website

\*These prices include a charge or charges for materials, firing, equipment and/or cleaning, details in the class description