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2009 **HAGAS Spring Exhibition**

Once again a very successful annual exhibition of members work ... thanks to all those who assisted before, during and afterwards!

As many of you know, it takes a lot of work behind the scenes to put the exhibition together - invitations, gallery set-up, receiving and hanging paintings, catalogue, food, drinks, cleaning up you get the picture! Thankfully there were many members willing to volunteer and this made the load lighter for everyone.

My view is that the main purpose of this exercise is to celebrate and display the work developed over the year, provide an opportunity for first-time exhibitors and bring members in contact with one another. Judging by the atmosphere on the opening night I think that it was successful in this regard. Displaying the paintings in this manner also allows members to view their own work in a gallery setting and get inspiration from the variety of styles and subjects explored by other members. The standard and diversity of the paintings was exceptional.

Congratulations to all exhibitors - and if you didn't please think about it next year!

Alison Harvey Art Director





3 Men & A Lady Painting Demonstration

Friday Sept. 25th 2009

'Adult Learners Week' funded this event which brought four artists together to demonstrate their own style and medium in painting.

More than 60 people attended this interesting evening which initiated much discussion and interest between members as well as between the artists and the audience.



Watch out for more of this type of event in 2010!!

Star of the Sea School Exhibition

On September 4th and 5th HAGAS hosted an exhibition of year 6/7 children's art from Star of the Sea School. The work was developed over a two week period with four local artists including Koruna and myself.

The paintings, photography, collage and sculptures of more than 115 children adorned our gallery and studio for one weekend. The official opening on the Friday was attended by more than 200 people.

Apart from being a perfect venue for such an occasion, the show brought many local families to the Art Society over the weekend.

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