

BROWNE SCHOOL OF ART.



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PAINTING 2 evening class 2021

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PAINTING 2: EVENING - 2021

Evening classes: Tuesdays 5.30 – 9.30pm
Weekend workshops: Sun 10.00am – 4.00pm

Term 1: Tues 9 February – Tues 6 April
Term 2: Tues 4 May – Tues 29 June
Term 3: Tues 27 July – Tues 21 September
Term 4: Tues 19 October – Tues 23 November

Exhibition: Friday 26 – Sunday 28 November

Painting 2		
Term 1	Week 1	9/2
	2	16/2
	3	23/2
	4	2/3
	5	9/3
	6	16/3
	Workshop	Sunday 21/3
	7	23/3
	8	30/4
	9	6/4
Term 2	Week 1	4/5
	2	11/5
	3	18/5
	4	25/5
	5	1/6
	6	8/6
	Workshop	Sunday 13/6
	7	15/6
	8	22/6
	9	29/6
Term 3	Week 1	27/7
	2	3/8
	3	10/8
	4	17/8
	5	24/8
	6	31/8
	7	7/9
	8	14/9
	9	21/9
Term 4	Week 1	19/10
	2	26/10
	3	2/11
	4	9/11
	5	16/11
	Installation 25/11	
	Exhibition 26-28 /11	

Art History – with Linda Yang

18 sessions scheduled for Wednesday evenings 6.00-8.00pm Term 2 & 4 (9 weeks in each term).

Classes in Art History will help you become more informed and engaged with the visual arts. There is no additional course cost to you, and the benefit will be immeasurable. These classes are all conducted via Zoom and you will be sent an access link for each session.

Workshop – Critical Thinking – with Deborah Crowe

Term 2 – Saturday 3 July 1.30 – 5.30pm

Idea development workshop. Working towards a self-directed approach.

This workshop provides you with some tools and strategies to help you develop connections in your work and begin to analyse the creative process. Exploring processes that are 'open-minded, curious and rigorous' as detailed in the course brief. This workshop feeds directly into developing a workplan.

Term 3 – Saturday 30 October 1.30 – 5.30pm

Approaches to writing about your work and to help develop ideas - towards writing an artist's statement.

Course Outline

This is a course for painters with some experience to progress towards creative independence. Over four continuous terms student's will be encouraged to develop the beginnings of a professional and dedicated approach to painting, through the development of a personal philosophy and practice.

The year will culminate in a professionally curated exhibition in the studio/gallery, representing work produced by course students during the second semester (Terms 3 & 4).

During Term 1 and 2 drawing and painting will be integrated and the class will follow a prescribed broad range of two-dimensional skills.

Term 3 and 4 will encourage a more independent and individual methodology building upon each student's personal objectives and mid-year statement of intent.

Outcomes

At the completion of Term 1 & 2 it is expected that students will be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the concepts of line, tone, form, space, perspective and proportion.
- Compose drawings and paintings from a variety of sources.
- Convey knowledge of basic colour theory through practice.
- Understand and identify aspects of balance, harmony and discord.
- Demonstrate how a drawing or painting can embody aesthetic, emotional, sensual and intellectual experience.
- Identify and demonstrate a range of basic painting approaches and techniques.

At the completion of Term 3 & 4 it is expected that students will be able to:

- Select and structure visual elements to successfully communicate ideas.
- Source and develop ideas and be able to initiate research independently.
- Successfully analyse, interpret and convey an understanding of painting practices and concepts employed by others.
- Identify an ongoing focus of personal research and practice.
- Be able to present and discuss developing ideas and methodologies with clarity and understanding.

Teaching Strategies

At the very least you can expect feedback from myself or Linda each week either individually or within a class discussion or critique.

We will endeavour to:

- Create an enjoyable, positive and supportive working environment.
- Identify and offer practical advice both individually and collectively.
- Provide support for each student in establishing working processes, strategies and clarification of intent.
- Encourage class debate and philosophical discussion.
- To give honest, constructive and open feedback with regard to each student's work and to be objective and fair in all critiques.
- Be respectful of each student's individuality.

Expectations of You

As a student in this class you are expected to:

- Arrive promptly for each session.
- Be well prepared for each class e.g. materials, working plan and strategies.
- Be realistic as to your progress and expectations, especially if you have limited time outside of class to pursue your work, or have circumstances that arise beyond your control that make class attendance temporarily difficult
- To help achieve the aims of the course you will be required to do some work in your own time: e.g. gallery visits, relevant reading and keeping a visual diary.
- Be open, generous and respectful in your professional dealings with fellow students.
- During the first hour of the day mobile phones switched off please or on silent vibrate alert (except in emergencies).
- Your tutors are here to help and advise; please be patient as you may not be the only student needing attention.

Terms, 2021 – weekly

Term 1

1. MB/LR – Introduction. Aims, objectives and outcomes.
Expression through drawing. Tutor and student introductions.
2. MB - Another Sense
Drawing through touch – tactile experience. Investigation and translation through line, tone, form, texture, concave / convex.
3. LR - Another Sense – Mixed Media
Developing tactile drawings through the experimental use of a range of media.
4. MB - The Figure. Drawing directly from the life model – drawings to explore line, gesture, contour, tone, form, space, movement, composition.
5. LR - The Figure Interpretation – considering contemporary approaches to painting the figure.
Drawing / Painting. Exploring form, drama and contrast. Manipulating and distorting your image to create a more subjective and personal response.
6. MB - The Figure. Further development of painting(s), completion and final critique.
7. MB – History. An introduction to three principal developments of 20th century painting history – Cubism, Expressionism and Abstraction. Investigating the still life through drawing.
8. LR - History Moving Forward – considering contemporary approaches to still life painting.
Developing paintings from previous week's drawings – small scale investigations into form, colour and paint application. Exploring technique and stylistic identity
9. MB – History. Continuation and complete. Open class discussion and critique.

Term 2

1. MB - Sound Works. Interpreting sound through drawing and mixed media.
2. LR - Geometric vs Organic
Series of small drawings that consider the relationship between organic and geometric form. Initially draw from natural forms (e.g. fauna & flora) and manmade structures (e.g. buildings, vehicles etc). Building an understanding of working methodologies within practice. Gathering of visual data.
3. MB - Geometric vs Organic
Development of previous week's drawings towards painting, mixed media and collage. Further clarifying of a working approach from first concepts and visual explorations to analysis and painting.
4. LR - Geometric vs Organic
Continuation and complete. Class critique.
5. MB - Mondrian Puzzles
'When is a Mondrian not a Mondrian?'
Study and reference of an artist's working methodologies and techniques.
Development of an original work in the manner of an artist of your choosing. Research, discovery, resolution.
6. LR - Mondrian Puzzles
Continuation from previous week.
7. MB - Mondrian Puzzles
Continue and complete. Student 'artist' introductions.
8. LR - Mondrian Puzzles
Continue and develop towards completion
9. Deborah Crowe
Idea development workshop. Making a work-plan

Term 3 & 4

During Terms 3 & 4 students are encouraged to begin to work more independently and without the teaching project structures provided in Terms 1 & 2. This is always a challenge for all students on the course, as it shifts an increasing responsibility for personal development to each individual.

This transition is essential if students are to find a singular, independent voice and to begin to understand the importance of a focused and autonomous working methodology for continual growth.

At the conclusion of Term 2 we will discuss the process in more detail and ask each student to complete a statement of intent over the holiday break, to bring to class on the first day of Term 3. Support and guidance is provided for all students in order to complete this.

Statement of Intent / Contextual Statement

Your contextual statement is a means of speculating on your practice. Like studio the writing process is a way of finding things out. A statement of intent can provide a point of departure and is a vehicle for discussion. It will help you to establish your initial objectives whilst recognising that flexibility and interpretation are both essential and inevitable if a development is to occur.

As a key purpose of your statement is to help you maintain an ongoing reflective dialogue between your practice and related ideas and issues it should be periodically reappraised and rewritten to account for changes that may have emerged within your practice. *As a guideline: your statement should be concise and between 200 - 300 words.*

Your statement of intent will help you to outline your:

- Ideas (subject, content, aims, philosophies)
- Methodology (methods, processes, physical criteria, materials and supports)

Your statement should...

- Open up questions and relationships in your work
- Demonstrate your depth of understanding about the implications of your practice
- Focus on ways of 'reading' the work
- Avoid jargon and use words accurately (it should be easy to understand)

Your statement might...

- Reference related art, artists, contemporary ideas
- Reference contexts in non-art fields

Your statement should not...

- Be a literal form of explanation
- Focus only on how the work was made
- Be artificially sophisticated (find your own voice...)

Some ideas to get you started – building a resource of information:

- Concepts / Ideas – what are you interested in? This might be as general as Colour and Structure or Landscape or as particular as how paint sits on a surface. Note anything and everything. Nothing is irrelevant. Start broad and then start to narrow down and fine tune.
- Can you clarify for yourself why you might be drawn to these things? Maybe your interest in landscape stems from how light falls within a landscape or how colour plays out in a landscape. You might come to realise what you're really interested in is colour relationships and how colours work off one another. Keep asking yourself questions as a way to drill down and particularise your ideas.
- Do your ideas provide the framework for a broader, deeper or more philosophical statement (content)?
- Does this help to define your concerns?
- Does this indicate a possible area for research?
- What readings do you think may help?
- Can you place your aims within a wider, established context e.g. which other artists' do you identify yourself with? Start looking at how these artists talk about their work.
- How do you plan to make your ideas and aims real and possible?

Remember the PIE Triangle:

- Physical – Craft and technical considerations, articulation of ideas.
- Intellectual – Conscious thought and analysis of ideas.
- Emotional – Passion and primal sensory response.

Term 4 - Student Presentations

During Term 4 each student is asked to present their work to the group.

Beginning to speak openly about your work is a valuable tool for understanding and further clarifying your intent. During these sessions each of you will have the opportunity to present your work to the group. This process allows you to speak about what underpins your practice and to encourage class discussion, feedback and debate. In turn, this will help to prepare you for the direction your work may take in the future and to clarify areas for further research.

Please bring work(s) that you wish to direct your attention to.

You may wish to consider the following as a broad outline and format.

- What motivates you to paint in the particular way that you do?
- The methodology and application (How do you make your work).
- The source of your work and its principle characteristics.
- The artists that inspire you, either visually, theoretically, or both.
- What you would ideally like to achieve through your work?
- Do you think you are achieving this?
- A personal overview of your progress to date.

Each critique will be no longer than 30 minutes. 10-15 minutes as your introductory presentation followed by tutor/group response and feedback. We will begin at 9.00am so please try not to be late on these occasions as this causes disruption. We will aim to complete as close to 10am as is reasonable.

There will be two Presentations each session, spread over six consecutive weeks.

Painting 2 - End of Year Exhibition

At the conclusion of the year there will be a curated exhibition of work produced during the second half of the year. This is a celebration of course achievements and provides an invaluable experience in professional practice. Dates as indicated.

Materials List

The stores we recommend are:

- Studio Art Supplies - Crummer Road, Grey Lynn. – 10% Discount
- The French Art Shop – Taylors Road, Morningside – 20% Discount for BSA
- Gordon Harris - Gillies Avenue, Newmarket and Symonds Street, Auckland Central.
- Takapuna Art Supplies - Takapuna

The materials we recommend are:

- Pencils – B, 2B, 4B, 6B
- Willow Charcoal – Medium
- Compressed Charcoal – Medium
- Kneadable eraser (for charcoal), soft eraser (for pencils)
- Black Indian ink and a dip pen with a sketching nib (or bamboo pens)
- Paint: acrylics in a selection of colours: e.g. warm red (cadmium scarlet), warm yellow (cadmium yellow), warm blue (ultramarine), cool red (crimson), cool yellow (lemon yellow), cool blue (pthalo, cobalt or cerulean), yellow ochre (oxide), raw umber, black, and white.
- Appropriate painting mediums: gel, gloss or matt mediums for acrylics. Odourless turpentine, linseed oil or liquin for oil paints.
- Brushes: flat small, medium, large sizes up to 4cm wide in either hog bristle or soft synthetic filament.
- Large house painting brush for priming.
- Palette knife or spatula.
- White water based 'Gesso' primer.
- White plastic palette and / or old plates for easy mixing.
- An assortment of tins or jars with lids (2 - 4).
- Bulldog clips.
- Craft knife and scissors, 60cm rule, PVA glue, masking tape.
- Soft (000) steel wool and grit 220 sandpaper (with a sandpaper block if you have one).
- Rags or kitchen towels for clean-up
- Old shirt or apron

At Browne School of Art we also have a selection of basic materials available for purchase:

Paper in A1 / A2 Sheets, Newsprint, Cartridge, Sugar Grey, Wet strength, Bulldog Clips, Pencils, Charcoal Erasers, White Chalk, Black ink

This list is a general guide only. The majority (though not necessarily all) of these materials may be used as students progress.

Suggested Reading List

Theory and Critical Thinking

Aesthetics and Art Criticism

Bernard Hoffert: Longman 1997

Art & Fear

David Bayles & Ted Orland: Capra Press 1993

Art Since 1940: Strategies of Being

Jonathan Fineberg: Prentice Hall 1995

Art Now: 137 artists at the rise of
the new millenium

Taschen 2002

Artists @ Work: New Zealand Painters and
Sculptors in the Studio

Richard Woolfe & Stephen Robinson
Penguin Books 2010

Conversations in Paint

Charles Dunn: Workman Publishing 1995

Concerning the Spiritual In Art

Wassily Kandinsky: Dover 1977

Chromophobia

David Batchelor: Reaktion Books 2000

Contemporary Painting in New Zealand

Michael Dunn: Craftsman House 1996

Creative Authenticity: 16 Principles to clarify
and Deepen your artistic vision

Ian Roberts:
Atelier Saint-Luc Press 2004

Current Contemporary Art
from Australia & New Zealand

Edited by Art & Australia

Inside the Studio

Independent Curators International (ICI) 2004

Modern Art & Modernism

Harper & Row 1992

No More Second Hand Art:
Awakening the Artist Within

Peter London: Shambala
Publications 1998

Painting Today

Phaidon 2009

Painting Abstraction
New Elements in Abstract Painting

Bob Nickas: Phaidon Press 2009

Point and Line to Plane

Wassily Kandinsky: Dover 1979

Redeeming Art

Donald Kuspit: Allworth Press 2000

Seven Days in the Art World

Sarah Thornton: Granta 2008/2009

Secret Knowledge: Rediscovering the lost
techniques of The Masters

David Hockney: Thames &
Hudson 2001/2006

Seen This Century:
100 Contemporary New Zealand Artists

Warwick Brown: Random House 2009

The Big Picture A History of New Zealand Art:	Hamish Keith: Godwit by Random House 2007
The Artist's Way	Julia Cameron: Souvenir Press 1993
The Creative Habit: Learn and use it for Life	Twyla Tharp/Mark Reiter Simon & Schuster Paperbacks
The Philosophy of Modern Art	Herbert Reid: Faber & Faber 1964
The Creative Habit: Learn it and use it for Life	Twyla Tharp: Simon & Schuster Paperbacks 2003
The Natural Way to Draw	Kimon Nicolaides: Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston 1969
The End of Art	Donald Kuspit: Cambridge University Press 2004
The Outliers: The Story of Success	Malcolm Gladwell: Little Brown & Co Hatchett Book Group. NY 2008
The View from the Studio Door	Ted Orland: The Image Continuum Press 2006
An Anthropologist on Mars	Oliver Sacks: Knopf 1995
Talking Painting	David Ryan: Taylor & Francis Book 2002
This is Modern Art	Matthew Collings: Seven Dials 2000
Trust the Process: An Artist's Guide to Letting Go	Shaun McNiff: Shambhala Publications 1998
What is Painting?	Julian Bell: Thames & Hudson 1999
What Painting Is	James Elkins: Routledge 1999
Visual Thinking	Rudolf Arnheim: University of California Press 1969
Vitamin D	Phaidon Press Ltd 2005
Vitamin P	Phaidon Press Ltd 2002
Voicing Today's Visions	Mara Witzling: New York: Women's Press 1994
Visual Theory: Painting and Interpretation	Norman Bryson, Michael Ann Holly, Keith Moxey: Ed. Cambridge: Polity Press 1991

Technical

The Artist's Handbook of Materials & Techniques	Ralph Mayer: Faber & Faber (revised)
The Elements of Colour Formulas For Painters	Johannes Itten: Van Nostrand Reinhold International 1970 Robert Massey: Watson-Guption 1967

General Interest

Artists on Art	Robert Goldwater and Marco Treves: John Murray Publishing 1976
Art Spoke	Robert Atkins: Abbeville press 1993
Bright Earth	Philip Ball: Penguin Books 2002
Conversations Before The End of Time	Suzi Gablik: Thames & Hudson 1995
Dictionary Of Art Terms	Edward Lucie-Smith: Thames and Hudson 1984
Hall's Dictionary of Subjects and Symbols In Art	James Hall: John Murray publishers 1994
Nothing if Not Critical	Robert Hughes: Harvill (Harper Collins) 1987
The Journal of Eugene Delacroix	Phaidon: 1980
Women Artists (In the 20 th & 21 st Century) (In the 20 th & 21 st Century)	Taschen 2005

Magazines and Periodicals

Modern Painter's, Art News (US), New Zealand Art News, Art New Zealand, Artzone – NZ Gallery Guide, The Art Newspaper (International), Art World, Artist Profile

Books by Internet

www.amazon.com	Books by mail order. Fast, efficient and often less expensive, even with freight.
www.thebookdepository.com	Broad selection of books with free freight.

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