

WORKSHOP Painting People in Watercolour with Mark Entwisle RWS

Price £100

Location RWS Gallery at Whitcomb Street

Date Wednesday 15th of November 2023

Time 10.30am - 4pm

About the Workshop

In this workshop you will learn the basic principles of watercolour portraiture; including the mixing of skin tones, application of paint, complimentary colours and composition. Through demonstration, you will have the chance to learn from the artist's personal approach, as well as seek inspiration from other artist references. Working from a still image, you will be guided to create your own final piece of work.

This course is open to all levels, but it would be beneficial to have a small amount of experience in watercolour.

Morning

- Initial introductions and a group discussion on reference material and expected outcomes from the session
- Artist demonstration
- Begin own painting, giving thought to composition and reference to artist examples

Afternoon

- Break for lunch
- Continue with own painting, with tailored advice and mini demonstrations from Mark to illustrate this
- Review: there will be a chance to view each other's work and an opportunity to ask questions.

About the Tutor

Mark studied illustration at Brighton University and was an illustrator for 20 years. His previous commissions include the National Theatre production of Wind in the Willows and book covers for P G Wodehouse, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Auden, Joanna Trollope, Aldous Huxley and many others. During his 15 years as an illustrator, Mark continued to feed his need to paint and began showing at galleries in Bath and London in the 1990s. He has won Art prizes including the Hunting Art Prize, the Discerning Eye Founders Prize and The Sunday Times Watercolour Competition. After winning a prize at the BP Portrait Awards, Mark was invited to teach students at the National Portrait Gallery and has been teaching ever since. He most recently has taught at The Art Stables in Finchley, ArtHouse in Crouch End and at Art retreats.

Materials

- **Watercolour pad A4 or A3:** preferably hot press or if not (smooth or slightly textured). Recommended brands are Arches paper or Bockingford.
- **Watercolour set:** recommended colours include Lemon Yellow, Yellow Ochre, Naples Yellow (if possible), Burnt Sienna, Vandyke Brown / Burnt Umber , Ultramarine Blue , Turquoise , Cadmium Red/ Vermilion, Crimson , Sap Green, Phthalo Green, Payne's Grey
- **Brushes:** two or three round head brushes. Size 4 and 8 would suffice but a larger brush or flat headed brush for larger washes could be useful. Recommended brushes are Da Vinci sable brushes, but synthetic brushes are fine and more affordable for the bigger sizes.
- **Pencil and rubber**
- **Still images to work from and artist references (if applicable)**

Useful Links:

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk/markentwisle/watercolour-portraits/>

Location



RWS Gallery
3-5 Whitcomb Street
London
WC2H 7HA

Just off Trafalgar Square
Nearest tubes: Leicester Square
and Charing Cross

Nearby parking is very limited.
There is a Q-Park multi-storey
car park at the top of Whitcomb
Street that charges around
£9/hour. If you wish to travel by
car we recommend checking
nearby parking on
parkopedia.com

Lunch & Refreshments

Lunch is not provided and it is recommended that you bring your own food and drink for the day, which can be consumed in the gallery. Students are welcome to use the gallery fridges to store their food and drink. There are also many cafes nearby including a Pret-a-Manger next door to the gallery.