

The White Horse Bookshop, Marlborough

Course Outline

Nicky's enthusiasm, knowledge and passion for teaching watercolour is as radiant as her paintings.

Vibrant Floral Watercolours - bursting with the joys of Spring.

During this one day workshop you will create expressive paintings clean, fresh, joyous floral artworks.

Ignite your art works with radiant transparent colour, light and lively fresh brushwork

so they sing from the page.'

Students will use wet into wet and we into dry techniques, limiting the layers and using lively direct brushwork to keep watercolour fresh. Gain a better understanding of colour mixing and using a limited palette to avoid dull muddled artworks. Exploring elements to help you make effective floral paintings such as how to create individual floral shapes and how they relate to make an effective composition. Bring impact to your work by balancing areas of strong dynamic tonal contrast combined with soft edges to create beautiful lively paintings.

Materials

Art materials are not provided in the workshop fee. Please bring your own watercolour kit which should consist of the following items or similar.

Watercolour paints - Tubes are preferable to pans.

Colours suggestions

Perminent rose, Ultramarine Blue, Burnt umber, Gamboge yellow (or similar bright transparent yellow), Windsor Red. magenta or other type of bright pink such as Quinacrodone rose,

Watercolour brushes Medium and large round or mop style squirrel or sable. Small and medium pointed round brush and small detailer brush - synthetic

Watercolour paper Rough or Not surface paper stretched and ready on a board and a spare couple of pieces also .

Waterpots, palette, drawing board, kitchen roll, pencil, rubber

Artists Biography

Nicky Hunter is well known for her signature large scale contemporary watercolour floral paintings, but equally inspired by a range of subjects, aiming to capture them in a vibrant impressionistic style. Exploring the transparent and lucid qualities of watercolour whilst keeping colours clear and bright are key elements in Nicky's artworks which are inspired by nature and ignited by colour - they allude to a sense of enchanted realism.

The development of her painting & illustration skills comes from studying a diploma in art then a degree in textile design leading to a varied & successful career as a textile designer spanning over 2 decades: This was where her passion for painting florals really blossomed, then further training with watercolour masters in recent years enhanced her practice with this delightful yet challenging medium. Her dedication to painting and skilled handling of the medium is evident in her beautiful artworks which she sells from her Buckinghamshire based studio and galleries including The Gallery in Holt, who host high caliber exhibitions of well established UK artists.

Nicky enjoys sharing her knowledge and passion for watercolour hosting demos and workshops nationally for distinguished art schools & art societies; helping others elevate their artworks through understanding watercolour application and colour management.

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