

The White Horse Bookshop, Marlborough

Glorious Gardens - Stroll through an enchanted floral Pathway

During this workshop you will create an expressive painting bursting with light and radiant colour capturing a glimpse of a simple garden scene.

Students will use wet into wet and wet into dry techniques, limiting the layers and using lively direct brushwork to keep watercolour fresh and signing from the page. Gain a better understanding of colour mixing and using a limited palette to avoid dull muddled colours, learn how to mix and use various shades of greens and different tones, strengths and consistencies of colour to bring lightness, harmony and a sense of space and distance to your artworks.

Nicky will demo the stages of a painting and watercolour techniques which you will then use to create your own painting in a vibrant and loose watercolour style, she will give one to one guidance and support to help your painting skills progress and loosen up your style to achieve lively lucid paintings.

You can transfer the tips, tricks and knowledge Nicky offers to many subject matters in watercolour.

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, Cobolt Blue, Burnt umber, Raw sienna, Gamboge yellow (or similar bright transparent yellow). Note there are no greens we will be mixing our own.

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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