

EXTRA ICON PAINTING WORKSHOP WITH AIDAN HART

2012 May 14-18th

at Walcot Hall, Lydbury North, Shropshire, SY7 8AZ

The teaching

Due to popular demand, I have decided to run an extra icon course next year, in May 14-18th, 2012. The subject will be **painting a full-length figure, seated or standing** (I haven't decided yet)

As in previous years, we shall be having the workshop at beautiful Walcot Hall in Lydbury North, Shropshire (<http://www.walcothall.co.uk/>).

In this May 14-18th course we shall be led through the stages of painting either a standing or seated full-length figure, with the emphasis on the garments and background. (The May 7-11 course is on gilding, and the September course will concentrate on the flesh parts: faces and hands.) The workshop will include a talk with slides.

We all do the same icon, with Aidan guiding us through the different stages of building up colours in egg tempera on a previously prepared gessoed panel.

Participants bring their own pigments, panel and equipment. About three months before the course, students will be sent a list of materials which they will need to bring with them, along with instructions on how to make the gessoed panel. If desired, students can instead purchase a prepared panel. They will also be sent a print of the icon that we shall be working on and will be expected to do a drawing of this before the workshop begins, so that we have maximum time for learning painting skills during the course itself.

Each course consists of around seven hours tuition per day (9.00 am - 5.00 pm, except Monday when 10.30 am-5.00 pm, and Friday when 9.00 am -1.00 pm). There are places for twelve participants.

The nearest train station is Craven Arms, six miles from Walcot Hall. From there the best thing is a taxi (this needs to be booked in advance: Arms Cabs - 01588 672010. Craven Arms Taxis - 01588 673333 or 01588 638350). If you prefer to go to Shrewsbury, then Number 553 is the regular bus service between Shrewsbury and Bishop's Castle, run by Minsterley coaches. Up to date details of all public transport in the area can be gained by ringing Shropshire LINK at 0345 678 9068.

The cost

The cost for the teaching is £310, with a non-refundable £30 deposit payable when booking (this will be refunded if there are no places available). This includes a substantial cooked lunch and morning and afternoon teas with biscuits and cakes. The non-refundable balance of £280 is due six weeks before the course begins; an invoice will be mailed about two weeks before that due date.

For accommodation, see below.

Accommodation

The course offers self-catering accommodation at Walcot Hall to those who wish it. Participants are given their own bedroom in one of the Walcot apartments. Each apartment has one to three bedrooms and its own kitchen, bathroom and living room. Accommodation is booked through the course and not directly with Walcot Hall.

The cost is £180 per person. This includes the bed linen and towels, and the food supplies for you to make your own breakfast. Participants will need to arrange their own evening meals. Bishops Castle is 3 miles (5 km) away and has numerous shops, takeaways and eating places.

A non-refundable £20 deposit is required at registration (but will be refunded if no places are available).

The accommodation is available from 9.30 am Monday until 1.00 pm Friday.

The course does not arrange accommodation for Sunday night at Walcot Hall, but sometimes it is possible to book a bed (no breakfast Monday morning though) by calling their booking office (phone 01588 680570). You can also seek a room at the following local places:

- Brumslow Farm Ph.01588 680244
- Walcot Farm Ph. 01588 680243

Registration

If you wish to come, please fill in and return the registration form below (either by post or by email), along with the appropriate deposit (£30 for tuition only, or £50 for tuition plus accommodation). Please note that my wife is now administering the course, which means that payments will need to be made in her name.

Payment may be made:

- By **cheque** (payable to "**Sarah Hart**"), sent to: Aidan Hart, 4 Station Road, Pontesbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 0QY, U.K.
- By **bank transfer**: Account Number: 04003586 Branch Code: 55 50 05 Account holder's name: Sarah Hart. Please indicate payment as "May 14 Icon Course". A **PayPal** account is also being opened; please ring 01743 792555 or email mail@aidanharticons.com for details.

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NAME _____
ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____
EMAIL _____

Please tick which course(s) you wish to attend, and whether or not you want accommodation at Walcot Hall.

MAY 14-18th 2012

Yes, I would like to attend this course (tick here) _____

Walcot accommodation required. Yes _____ No _____

Deposit enclosed (£30 for course, £20 for accommodation) £ _____

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Please indicate any special dietary requirements that you have

Please mail with deposit to: Aidan Hart, 4 Station Road,
Pontesbury, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 0QY, U.K.
PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "**SARAH HART**". A
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