Anne Rowland

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Personal Profile

I am a Sheffield-based artist who focuses on the architectural qualities of a subject to produce vibrant, semi-abstract paintings. The use of colour is fundamental to my practice - I love balancing subtle hues with distinctive bursts of vibrancy. My process is to develop an initial composition and then use loose brushwork to apply a first layer of paint. Each painting is built up through layering, incorporating a variety of textures and opacities of paint. The history of the painting is evident, as glimpses of earlier layers remain visible. The final image gradually emerges through this interplay, often retaining exciting unplanned and ambiguous elements.

I am currently studying for an MA Painting at Manchester School of Art. After graduating in Physics, I worked for the BBC as a radio Studio Manager before raising my family. Over the last 12 years my focus has been on developing my artistic practice.

Education

2020 - present MA Painting, Manchester School of Art, Manchester Metropolitan University
2014 - 2017 HND Fine Art (Distinction), Mid Cheshire College
2011 - 2013 Diploma in Art & Design (Distinction), Mid Cheshire College
PG Diploma in Music (Tonmeister), University of Surrey
BSc Physics, University of Birmingham

Representation

2023 - present Represented by Hope Gallery, Hebden Bridge

Exhibitions

2023 - Hope Gallery, Hebden Bridge (part of permanent collection)

- 2022 Open Studio Group Exhibition, Burwardsley, Cheshire
- 2017 Grosvenor Open Exhibition, Grosvenor Museum, Chester
- 2012 2017 Mid Cheshire College, Hartford, Cheshire, six consecutive end of year exhibitions
- 2016 Canvas for Youth, Charity Exhibition, Hartford, Cheshire
- 2015 Nicola's Fund, Charity Exhibition, Hammond School, Chester
- 2014 Open Exhibition, Frodsham Art Centre, Cheshire

Commissions

- 2021 Private commission, Devon
- 2018 Private commission, Cheshire
- 2016 Commission for commercial company, Cheshire

Short Courses

- 2023 Painting a Model, Alex Kanevsky, Ballinglen Arts Foundation, Ireland
- 2022 Painting Plein Air masterclass, Randall Exon & Jeff Reed, Ballinglen Arts Foundation, Ireland

- 2021 Painting Plein Air masterclass, Randall Exon & Jeff Reed, Ballinglen Arts Foundation, Ireland
- 2020 Theory and Drawing, Royal Drawing School, Robert Dukes & Andy Pankhurst, online
- 2020 Drawing the Contemporary Portrait, Royal Drawing School, online
- 2020 Painting and Observation: Three Approaches, Alex Kanevsky, Catherine Kehoe & Jennifer Pochinski, The Art Digger Lab (Madrid), online
- 2019 Copies: Analysis and Variation, Catherine Kehoe, Ballinglen Arts Foundation, Ireland
- 2018 Drawing in the landscape, Andrew Wykes, Ballinglen Arts Foundation, Ireland
- 2018 Life Painting, Alan McGowan, Edinburgh
- 2017 The Figure: Structure and Paint, Catherine Kehoe, Ballinglen Arts Foundation, Ireland
- 2015 Alla prima portrait workshop, Louis Smith, Manchester

Residencies

2023 - Joya: AiR residency, Spain, (1 week)

2013 - 2014 Artist in Residence, Mid Cheshire College, Hartford, Cheshire (1 year)