HARBOROUGH ARTISTS CLUSTER

NEWSLETTER 10, April 2026

Welcome to the tenth edition of the HAC Newsletter. Enjoy! Please send content for next by May 29th to hac.artists@gmail.com titled *'Newsletter'.*

ARTIST OF THE MONTH is new member Harriet Buckby. Please email Rebecca at hac.artists@gmail.com to be featured later in 2026.

April - Harriet Buckby (New Member) | May - Matthew Hopkinson (New Member)
June - Mary Allinson (New Member) | July - Chloe Kempster (New Member)
August - Mark Norman (New Member) | September - P N Clin (New Member)
October - Jenni Robson (New Member)

OUR DATES: Open Studios: May 9th & 10th, and 16th & 17th, Art Windows, Sept 2026, Exhibition: Sept 5th & 6th

WEBSITE WONDERS & DIGITAL DELIGHTS;

FACEBOOK Rebecca's been putting all of the news from the HAC Website and 'Digital Delights' onto the new Facebook Page including Artist of the Month. So can members please pop over to the page and give it a Like / Follow? Please remember to Like, Comment and Share the actual posts from your Personal Profile and business page (if you have one). https://www.facebook.com/harboroughartistcluster/

INSTA Kath is doing a sensational job of building traffic to our Insta account. *"Whether you are of user of social media or not, we would love to showcase your work across the group's social platforms - Instagram and Facebook. We hope to highlight work from each member artist on a monthly(ish) basis and will be featuring artist spotlights fortnightly. To take part simply email a selection of your artwork images to Kath Topham at artbykathtopham@outlook.com with title, year and medium. Thanks!"*

New Blog Posts :: Thanks so much to Rebecca for the new, brilliantly written and engaging blog posts! Please read and share!

Maxine & Becky + OS - https://harboroughartistcluster.co.uk/2026/03/in-print-featured-in-the-kibworth-district-chronicle-issue-477/

https://harboroughartistcluster.co.uk/2026/03/why-were-a-cluster-the-story-behind-the-name/

New Artists Web Pages now up and running (thanks very much Rebecca!): ***Jenni Robson*** - https://harboroughartistcluster.co.uk/our-artists/jenni-robson/

Art to Celebrate (Creative Harborough): Allie is featured as 'Creative of the Month' on the Creative Harborough website: https://harboroughartistcluster.co.uk/2026/02/capturing-market-harborough-allie-ch/

NEW CLUSTER MEMBERS:

P N Clin - Symbolism and portraiture in oils mostly https://harboroughartistcluster.co.uk/our-artists/p-n-clin/ ***Also look out for Open Studios in May.***

Sofia On - Work is drawn to in-between states of experience, moments that cannot be fully captured by language. Through printmaking and moving images work, I explore ambiguity, emotional complexity, and interiority. I'm interested in creating images that function as psychological landscapes, where subtle textures and marks evoke inner states that are felt more than explained.

Mel White - Portrait and figurative artist - All mediums, predominantly colour pencil and oil paint.

OPPORTUNITIES in 2026:

The Foxton Food, Drink, Arts and Gift Fayre is a new venture to be run by Harborough Live Events on May 9th & 10th, June 20th & 21st, July 11th & 12th, August 1st & 2nd, and Sept 5th & 6th this year. The Fayre is strictly open to local traders and local produce, art & giftwares within a 20 mile radius of Market Harborough only. Call Steve Crook on 07968096387 for info.

BINLESS – No Waste Mini Art, is a concept being fleshed out by our very own Katy Dynes to run during Arts Fresco this year - update at April 14th Meeting

MH Building Society has an art wall for local artists (Leics & Northants) to display their work please enquire in branch. https://mhbs.co.uk/

WHERE WE'RE SHOWING;

Rebecca Bennett has a solo exhibition at the Kings Head Smeeton Westerby 7 - 9:30pm 16th April. http://www.smeetonwesterby.co.uk/kings-head.html

Michael Edwards is opening his garden, including his studio, as part of the Lubenham Open Gardens event on Sunday 7th June 11am to 5pm: 18 School Lane, Lubenham, LE16 9TW, Tel: 075531996154 :: https://www.opengardens.co.uk/open_gardens.php?id=2513 / https://www.lubenhamparishcouncil.gov.uk/lubenham-open-gardens

NEW IDEAS;

HAC Social is a new WhatsApp group for any HAC members who would like to meet socially between meetings - to sketch, en plein air get togethers, or simply for a coffee/drink. Mssg Becky on WhatsApp: 07976646859 with *'HAC Social'* to get involved.