

Quaker Arts Network Newsletter

Spring 2017



Making Connections

QAN is delighted to announce our next QAN-sponsored exhibition at Friends House, featuring the work of our Friend Jill Green.

4 May to 20 July, 2017

Friends House, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2BJ
(First floor corridors.)

9am to 7pm Monday to Friday

9am to 5pm Saturdays

(Closed Spring Bank Holiday weekend 27-29 May)

Jill has created a series of narrative paintings inspired by a personal link with Japan and a passion for sustainability. We congratulate Jill both on her selection and on her success in being awarded grants to fund exhibition expenses and enable a full catalogue of the exhibition to be produced.

Jill will be at the exhibition as artist "in residence" on Thursdays (11am to 3.45pm).

QAN members survey

The Quaker Arts Network is at a time of transition. QAN projects have so far been taken forward by project groups, overseen with a light touch by a small committee. What do we want to do in future? What are your creative needs and interests? How might QAN support you? How might you contribute to QAN? We are of course all

volunteers and it is time for some people who have been serving QAN to lay this down. If QAN is to continue new Friends need to share the service.

Rebecca Bellamy has offered to organise a short survey to explore these issues with QAN members and any other Friends interested in the arts. This will be circulated shortly via the quakerartsuk@gmail.com email address. Please make sure this is not marked as Spam on your computer. Look out for the survey, and please respond promptly and encourage any other Quakers who might be interested to do likewise.

QAN 2017 AGM and Quaker arts day: Saturday 28th October at Woodbrooke

This year's AGM will be later than usual, because of all the summer Quaker Arts events., and so that we can consider the results of the membership survey. It will be held as part of a varied QAN day together at Woodbrooke, starting at 10 am. We hope to take stock of what we have achieved over recent years, including hearing the experience of artists who have put on exhibitions at Friends House (and what happened next) , discussing results of Rebecca's survey and what we'd like to do in future with QAN. This could be an opportunity for new groups and projects to form, and we expect to engage in some kind of creative activity too. If you are interested in getting involved, or making proposals please get in touch via quakerartsuk@gmail.com.

Advance booking for this event is essential.

A booking form can be found here [<click to link to form>](#)

We will have to charge £36 per head including lunch and refreshments. Please let us know if this is a difficulty for you and we may be able to help with a small bursary.

We also have a few bedrooms reserved for those who would like to stay the night before and/or after. First come first served; we hope that some Friends will be willing to share a room which would enable more people to stay. If any Friends local to Woodbrooke could offer accommodation, please let us know at quakerartsuk@gmail.com

FWCC Quaker Peacemakers art calendar 2018

Many thanks to those of you who have offered or suggested works for this calendar, which is being produced in association with QAN, to commemorate Quaker peacemaking around the world and to publicise FWCC and QAN. The calendar curators have a wonderful variety of artworks to choose from and hope to have this calendar ready in time for the Yearly Meeting Gathering.



Forthcoming Quaker Arts Events

[<Click here to link to our listings of Quakers Arts events and news>](#)

There's so much happening we couldn't fit it all here!



Review

Read Fiona Meadley's review of her exhibition, **ECHO CHAMBER** in Stroud.

[<click here to link to article>](#)

The deadline for the next newsletter is 26th of June.

Please continue to post your events on the website events page and send any other items for inclusion in the next newsletter to quakerartsuk@gmail.com.

Check out the events calendar at quakerarts.net for upcoming exhibitions and events. **Did you know?** There is a form available on the events page of the QAN website which you can use to publicise your own events!

Help QAN keep our Networking List up to date by emailing any new information to Barbara at quakerartsuk@gmail.com. We can also email you a fresh link to the (constantly updated) Networking List if you need it.