

Vibrant Watercolour with Elise De Silva

Wednesday 10th May

Elise De Silva is a full-time, award-winning artist working from her studio in Howick. Her primary medium is watercolour, although she does occasionally work with oils or acrylics. Elise is strongly drawn to dramatic light and water themes. "There's something dynamic and magical about water and its light bending qualities. Painting water is a constant challenge which presents an infinite amount of material," says De Silva. Elise teaches watercolour at Uxbridge, is President of the Howick Art Group and a passionate plein air painter. She has also done a number of community art projects. You can learn more about Elise from her website elisedesilvaart.com or on her Instagram page @elisedesilvaart



Demo and Workshop

Watercolour paintings have a reputation for being pale and soft, but in this demonstration Elise will show you how she gets vibrant, intense colour and the steps for achieving realism. She will share her painting process, step by step, to answer that question we've all asked at one point or another, 'How did she do that?'

In this hands-on workshop, Elise will guide you through how to achieve realistic reflections and refraction of water. She will show you how to achieve dynamic results by applying a few simple techniques from a supplied image. Elise will adapt the instruction to suit both beginners and advanced watercolourists. The techniques Elise shares will also enable students to achieve improved results for any number of painting subjects.

What to Bring

Watercolour paints, a wide range of blues, but the essential blues will be cerulean, cobalt blue and French Ultramarine.

Watercolour brushes - large mop brush, a medium brush, fine brush, a fan brush.

Watercolour paper- An A3 sheet of good quality paper will be supplied.

Using cheap paper will give frustrated results.

Masking fluid, palette that will allow you to mix a large wash.

Tissues (not kitchen roll paper towels), Old rag,

2 x Water pots, Pencil & eraser, Art tape

A flat board of at least A3 size, gator board or MDF board.

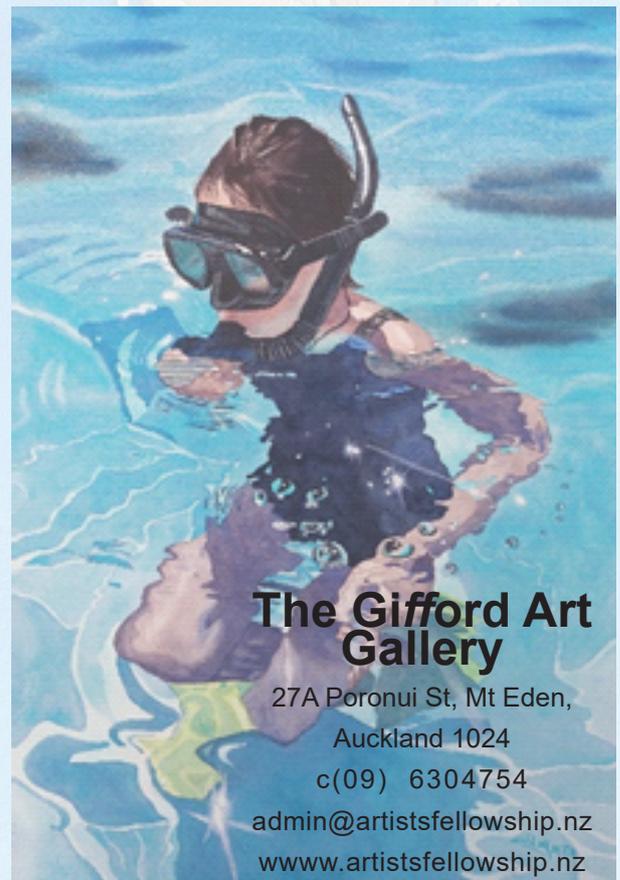
Demonstration: Wednesday 10th May \$7 Members \$10 Visitors

Workshop: Wednesday 24th May \$40 Members \$55 Visitors

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