



Newsletter

Welcome to December 2023

We have reached the end of another year! Enjoy your Christmas lunches and parties, I know I will enjoy mine. Although the year seems to have rocketed by, it has for me anyway, it has been an eventful one, as recounted in the previous Newsletters for 2023.

I have mentioned this before, but I devote this Newsletter entirely to one matter: we still have several important, interesting and fulfilling BDAG jobs that remain to be taken up and I ask for your support for our Group by offering some time to help with these. The jobs are outlined in the notes issued by our Membership Secretary, Dorothy, and you can contact myself, or any committee member, for further details. Please do not let this slide as we can only run this Group for us all, with support of us all. Thank you.

Have a wonderful Christmas and I wish you a fulfilling 2024.

Peter Sherwood

Chairman

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2024

Membership subscriptions are due for renewal on 1 January 2024. A separate email and/or postal note has been sent out to members who are due to renew their membership subscription/s for 2024. Members will be pleased to hear we've kept the level of subs the same as for 2023, namely £25 single and £45 joint (two members living at the same address). Please follow the payment instructions given in the email and in particular, please consider our request to make payment by BACS if at all possible.

We look forward to sharing another creative year with you in BDAG

Dorothy Worrall
Membership Secretary
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Urgent Call for Exhibition Organisers

At our recent AGM we put out a 'call to arms' to members asking for help with our next Exhibition. In a nutshell, organising this key and popular event can no longer rest with Peter alone! If we want to continue holding the exhibition, which we all enjoy and benefit from, we need more members to get involved and help make it happen. There are various jobs which need doing before, during and after the exhibition and these are summarised in the attached. Roles aren't exclusive and can be shared. They also don't require you to join the Committee, although if you'd like to, we would welcome your input!

Do please consider what's needed and how you might be able to contribute. It's really important that more members get involved so we can continue operating for the benefit of all.

If you'd like any more information on any of the functions or to volunteer your support please contact Dorothy Dorothyw15@outlook.com or 07979 956810 or Peter Sherwood on peterdsherwood@gmail.com

MONTHLY ARTISTIC CHALLENGE

Calling ALL BDAG members! It's time to put your creative hats on

It's not a competition, there are no prizes and no critiques. It's simply an opportunity to create a piece of art which represents that month's theme, and have it posted on the BDAG website in our Members' Gallery. So, get out your artistic tools, use any medium you like and let's get creative.

Once you've finished your piece:

- Take a photo of it. This must be sharp and in focus, against a plain background and 'flat on' (not at an angle). Don't include frames or any other object near the piece
- Save your photo as a .jpg on your device and size it to a maximum 1Mb
- Send it as an attachment by email to: dorothy@battleartsgroup.co.uk by the due date for the month. Late entries won't be accepted.
- Only one piece (which must be an original) per member, per month
- We reserve the right to reject any photos that do not meet the above criteria.

The theme for January is: *'It's bleak out there'*

Photos in by 29th January 2024

Next month's theme will be emailed at the end of January.