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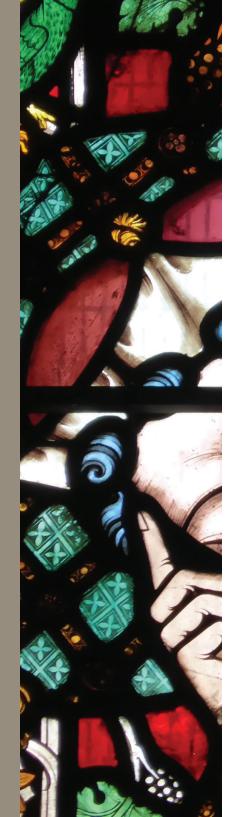
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August

01-31 August 2024 Stained Glass Festival

Celebrating the stained and painted glass of St Mary's Church, alongside displays of contemporary glasswork and community creations.

Between 12 and 31 August, the Calligraphy & Lettering Arts Society will run an exhibition – Letters Hand Made – to celebrate the charity's 30th anniversary. The displays will showcase forms of calligraphy and lettering arts with an opportunity to have a go.

On Friday 16 August Robert Walker, author of *The Medieval Stained Glass of Herefordshire & Shropshire*, will deliver a talk on St Mary's glass, the trade of imported materials, and the work of David Evans.

The festival is free to attend – donations welcome.







Saturday 17 August Calligraphy Demonstration

Kate Gravestock will demonstrate calligraphy skills and techniques with opportunities for visitors to observe and ask questions.

Two sessions: 11:00-12:30, 13:30-15:00. Free – donations welcome. This demonstration is run in conjunction with the Calligraphy & Lettering Arts Society: clas.co.uk

Saturday 24 August, 10:00-16:00 Calligraphy Workshop with Peter Furniss

Attendees will look at the script (writing style) used in some of the stained glass windows. Each person will practice the use of the broad edged calligraphy pen to produce the lettering used in the speech ribbons (banderols) in selected windows. The aim is to produce a bookmark or piece of text to take home.

Full day workshop with an hour break (please bring your own lunch or visit a local café). The workshop is limited to 12 people. Suitable for adults and older teenagers (15+). £35 per person. This workshop is run in conjunction with the Calligraphy & Lettering Arts Society: clas.co.uk



September

Wednesday 11 September Woodcarving

This exciting workshop covers tool care, sharpening techniques, and carving skills. Each person will learn skills and create a piece to take home. This workshop is delivered by Andrew Pearson: andrewpearsonwoodsculptor.co.uk

Two sessions: 10:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00. Each session is limited to 4 people. Suitable for adults and children (14+). £25 per person.



October

Wednesday 9 October 11:00-13:00
Autumnal Wreath Making

Create your own wreath using locally sourced flowers and foraged foliage.

A beautiful decoration to take home.

Suitable for adults. The session is limited to 12 people. £20 per person.





Heritage Skills Series

at St Mary's Church, Shrewsbury

There is a nationally recognised shortage of craft skills in Britain and the Churches Conservation Trust is committed to educating the public about the craft industries at risk and encourage participation from new audiences. In addition, the series encourages interaction with nature and green spaces for improvement to mental health and wellbeing.

During interactive workshops, a facilitator will share skills and techniques to encourage interest in the heritage sector, crafts industry, and green activities. Each workshop will take place at St Mary's Church taking inspiration from the building and its exceptional stained glass collection.



Workshops can be booked via visitchurches.org.uk/what-s-on.html (select date on the calendar)

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

February - March

14 February - 31 March

Exhibition: The Last Supper Bowls

Andrew Pearson has crafted 12 bowls from aged lime wood fallen in the grounds of Wigmore church in Herefordshire. The carved square bowls represent the men who shared Christ's Last Supper.

Free to attend - donations welcome.

March



Wednesday 6 March 11:00-13:00 **Spring Bulb Planter**

Create and take home your own mini planter using recycled and recyclable materials.

Suitable for adults and children (7+). Each session is limited to 15 people. £5 per person.



Wednesday 27 March 11:00-13:00 **Ceramic Egg Marbling**

Make marbled ceramic eggs to decorate your homes at Easter.

Suitable for adults and children (7+). This session is limited to 10 people. £10 per person.

February

Wednesday 28 February 11:00-13:00

Seed Sowing

Make your gardens beautiful and learn from a local grower how to prepare and care for hardy annuals.

Suitable for all ages. Free - donations welcome.

April



Wednesday 24 April Stained Glass Painting

Learn about the traditional methods of stained glass painting and create designs inspired by the stained glass windows at St Mary's Church. Take a glass tile home to display in your home. Nathalie Hildegarde Liege will deliver these sessions: couleurlive.com.

Two sessions: 10:00-12:00, 13:00-15:00, Each session is limited to 5 people. Suitable for adults and children (13+). £25 per person.

May

Wednesday 15 May 11:00-13:30 **Oblique Cushion** Creation

Learn oblique cross stitch techniques to create your own cushion.

Suitable for adults. This session is limited to 10 people. £15 per person.



Wednesday 29 May 12:00-13:00

Planting the Percy Thrower Way in Public Spaces

Town Council Lunchtime Talk www.shrewsburytowncouncil.gov.uk

Mark Bowen and Pete Jenks will discuss plants that Percy loved. the quirky tricks for planting flower beds (like the Shrewsbury Shuffle), and how to manage planting with a variable climate creating unpredictable growing seasons.

Free - donations welcome.

June



Wednesday 5 June 11:00-13:00 **Pressed Flowers** Workshop

Decoupage dried flowers and foraged foliage onto glass.

Suitable for all ages. This session is limited to 20 people. Free - donations welcome.

Wednesday 12 June 10:30-13:00

Wool **Spinning**

You will use a wooden top whorl drop spindle to spin wool fibre into a single ply yarn using a

traditional spinning method that has been around for thousands of years! You can take your work home with you to carry on spinning.

This workshop is run by the Shrewsbury Guild of Spinners, Weavers, and Dyers.

This session is limited to 12 people (adults only). £10 per person (includes a drop spindle and fibre).

July



Wednesday 17 July Woodcarving

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Two sessions: 10:00-13:00, 14:00-17:00. Each session is limited to 4 people. Suitable for adults and children (14+). £25 per person.

Textile Marbling Learn how to marble using traditional methods and materials. You will make different patterns and take your designs home. Suitable for adults and children (7+).

Wednesday 24 July 10:30-13:00

This session is limited to 10 people. £10 per person.



June - July

24 June - 13 July

Shropshire Art Society Summer Exhibition

Enjoy a fantastic variety of work produced by society members. The exhibition will close at 13:00 on Saturday 13 July.

Free to attend - donations welcome.