

## PEDAS at 100

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## The highlights of what to look forward to in this Centenary year!

NB. More information about each event will be sent as it approaches.

### 1 Member only celebratory events

#### **Centenary Dinner Friday 19th April**

We have already sent out full details of our celebratory Dinner event. This event will start the ball rolling and will launch the year ahead in true celebratory fashion. Join with PEDAS friends and colleagues for a memorable evening. Guests and non-members are very welcome to this event.

#### **Cream Tea event Thursday 13th June**

An En Plein Air afternoon on Brownsea Island, PLUS and including a Cream tea in The historic Brownsea Castle (run by John Lewis Partnership).

They can only take 50 members, so as soon bookings open, you will be given full details and a booking form. Departure by ferry will be from Sandbanks and Poole. The cost will be £24.95pp for the afternoon.

#### **Special holiday and party**

Not yet finalised, but later in the year – a ‘special’ holiday in mid-September, and a ‘special ‘ member’s Christmas party – could be a panto!?

### 2 Exhibitions

#### **Our spring exhibition ‘Celebrate’ 24th May – 10th June**

In the Gallery Upstairs, will be part of the prestigious and well publicised Dorset Art

Week open studios fortnight. We are being supported to prepare for this important exhibition by our Art Patron Helen Talbot. We hope all members will submit at least one entry for this special exhibition.

You will have read that we have the privilege of being offered the **Lighthouse in Poole Gallery** and upstairs exhibition space in honour of our Centenary year. Exhibition dates are **21st June – 27th July**. John Biggs has written in Pedas Weekly asking members to help in locating artworks from eminent PEDAS artists from the last 30 years. Current members are also invited and encouraged to submit their own best work, so we can develop a theme along the lines of 'The best of the last 30 years of PEDAS'. This will be a selected exhibition. Watch this space!

### 3 Community Events this year

#### **Art in the Park 29-30th June**

We are partnering with Upton Country Park for a 2 day 'Art in the Park' en plein air event and exhibition. This is open to everyone but we will extending a special invitation to all local art societies to join us in celebrating our 100 years at this event.

We are currently finalising an agreement with a local, well known and distinguished artist to be present at this 2 day event to engage with the artists, to be the judge and to award prizes on the Sunday.

#### **A local Schools exhibition and workshops 17th – 20th October.**

To be held at the Gather space in Poole. We are working with 2 Poole schools to hold a themed exhibition of their work as part of Community event including hands-on demonstrations and workshops leading up to half term.

Keep your eyes on our Weekly bulletin for details and updates and invitations to participate and information on how to.