

OUR ART TUTORS



Finivara, Co Clare, by Steve Browning.

STEVE BROWNING

Following graduation from the Leicester School of Art & Design, Steve worked as an Art Director in a number of London advertising agencies. In 1995, Steve moved to Ireland to take up a position with a Dublin ad agency. Inspired by the beauty of the Irish landscape, he began painting, initially at weekends. Seven years later, in 2002, he decided to take the plunge and paint full-time. Steve's work has been shown in London, at the Royal Hibernian Academy, the Royal Ulster Academy of Arts in Belfast, and can be found in collections in the UK, USA, and Ireland. Fingal County Council recently purchased one of Steve's paintings for their collection. He has also had solo exhibitions at the Leinster Gallery and exhibited at various group shows.



In recent years Steve has become involved in the revival of the Plein Air movement. Plein Air is a French term that simply means painting in the open air. Clearly this method suits Steve's style of painting. As well as winning prizes at the 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2022 Dublin Plein Air Festivals and a Bronze and two Silvers at Wexford's Art in the Open Festival in 2018, 2019 and 2022, he has also been a finalist in the prestigious Plein Air Magazine of America's annual art competition in both 2020, 2021 and 2022. Eventually winning the best acrylic painting award in 2022. www.stevebrowning.net



Winter road by Róisín Curé

RÓISÍN CURÉ

Róisín Curé is an urban sketcher working in Galway, Dublin and internationally in ink and watercolour. Everything is done on location from start to finish, but subjects encompass everything from glorious natural landscapes to gritty or colourful urban scenes. She is the author of three urban sketching-themed books: *An Urban Sketcher's Galway* (Currach Press, 2019), *The Urban Sketching Handbook: Drawing Expressive People* (Quarto, 2020) and *Dublin In Sketches And Stories* (Merrion Press, 2021). She has sketched for the governments of Ireland, Portugal, Spain and France and has taught in Ireland, the UK, France Spain, Portugal and the Netherlands. In 2020, Róisín founded a community of sketchers from all over the world through her twice-weekly live sketching online classes; they subscribe monthly, and the community is growing. Her sketching newsletter *Roisin Rúa* is available on Substack, her podcast *Sketch Therapist* comes out on Sundays and she continues to teach workshops in Ireland. To keep up to date please sign up for Róisín's newsletter on her blog on roisincure.com



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Two at the Pier, by Mavis Gormally

MAVIS GORMALLY

I am a South Galway fine artist originally from New York where I earned my BFA at The School of Visual Arts, NYC. I paint both in the studio and Plein Air. My paintings are in private collections in both Europe and the US.

I have been an artist my whole life with a bit of business woman mixed in there. The 'artist me' is always coming forward and after several years in business I returned to painting. For more than ten years I've been painting and teaching painting classes & workshops in Ireland. I focus on landscape scenes, buildings and boats in Kinvara, and the surrounding area, including beautiful locations such as Thoor Ballylee and the Gort River. I have also completed numerous commissions.



The goal for me when I paint is to share with the viewer, a sense of connection to the land, people, animals, boats and the seas that surround us. You can see my work on my website, www.mavisart.com



Seasons change by Geraldine Walsh

GERALDINE WALSH

Geraldine Walsh is an established Irish oil painter working and teaching at her studio in Thomastown, Co Kilkenny. Geraldine paints a variety of subjects and draws her inspiration from the surrounding countryside and the shifting light over land and sea. Her love of gardening and nature are also evident in her work. Geraldine's paintings are vibrant and filled with light and atmosphere. Painting in plein air and from life are at the heart of Geraldine's practice and she uses these studies to complete larger studio paintings

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