

Artist profile: Val Cranwell



I started painting at age 60 when I retired from working in the National Health Service. I had never painted before, not even at school, but it was something I aspired to do once I had the time. I started with a few informal classes with a friend in Totland and then with the lovely Maria Ward and later Tony Westmore's group in Gurnard. As well as being a member of the Isle of Wight Art Club I also paint with the West Wight Painting Circle.

I have enjoyed and benefitted from several painting holidays in various places in the UK, Europe and India.

I describe myself as a hobby painter and love nothing better than a few hours spent with a paintbrush in my hand.

I paint a range of subjects mostly in watercolour and acrylics but am beginning to branch out into multi-media and textile art.

