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BROADWAY ARTS FESTIVAL JOHN SINGER SARGENT OPEN ART COMPETITION 2016

Call to artists ... closing date for registration 30 April

We are delighted to announce that the 2016 judging panel will be chaired by the eminent artist Professor Ken Howard, OBE, RA.

Up to 200 of the entries will be shown in a prestigious exhibition at Little Buckland Gallery throughout the 2016 Festival. The theme for the competition will be 'Conflict', in its very broadest sense. The competition is open to any artist, in any medium, including photography, sculpture, film and design-makers.

Prizes include:

- Main Prize £1000
 - Sponsored by John Noott Contemporary Art
- 3D Prize £500
 - Sponsored by Little Buckland Gallery
- Local Artist's Prize - £500
- Visitor's choice
 - £250 of framing by Richard Christie Frame maker
- Gallery Representation
- Artist in Residence

The registration form can be downloaded from the Broadway Arts Festival website:
<http://broadwayartsfestival.com/>

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THE NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME

Have you ever considered opening your garden to the public for a good cause? Now is your chance to welcome other garden lovers into your personal plot. The NGS hope to include some Broadway gardens in summer 2017. This summer, a small team from the Worcestershire NGS committee will visit any garden owner hoping to have their garden included in the Yellow Book where, once approved, details of the garden will be advertised. Money taken on the gate goes to the NGS and is distributed to a selection of charities; any money made on teas or plant sales goes to the garden owner, or to a charity of their choice.

Opening your garden for charity can be a very rewarding and valuable experience for you, your visitors and the charities that benefit. Gardens do not need to be large or elaborate to be enjoyable and interesting for visitors. Many NGS gardens are small back gardens made special by skill, a good range of plants and enthusiastic owners.

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FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Broadway's latest tourist hot spot has disappeared even before the opening date. The slag heap in the field next to the Sands has been transported to pastures new.....and I was just organising the catering - well, a thermos of tea and a garibaldi over the fence - there is no end to sophistication in Broadway. Would have been able to compete with the new Indian restaurant.....

No time for dog sh** this month, it is the cyclists who are worrying me. Here along DS Alley all the 'no cycling' signs have disappeared (there is one tiny one on a sign post - but you could miss it). Who is doing this? MAMILs rule okay?

Me - I am trying to get out and walk 10,000 steps per day and am wearing a very cheap 'fitbit' (on offer on Easyjet). The device tells you how far you are walking and a lot of other things you would rather not know. Apparently they are all the rage.....soon I might be so thin no one will recognise me, which will be a relief to many.

Must dash and start reading about the Referendum.

Adios comrades.

TREE OF LIGHT, BROADWAY 2015-2016

Dr Joe Chamberlain Alice Chamberlain, Noreen Brown Derek Brown, Stan and David Nicholls, Hilda and Samuel Healing, Percy Rastall Louise Rastall Lee Rastall, Carloe Sully, Robin Sully Christopher Sully, Stella & Jack Walters, Steve Gore, Richard Ellis, Mike Empson. Fredrick

Thank you for your support; the proceeds go to the Syrian Refugee Camps. Thank you to The Manager of the Broadway Hotel who has so generously provided the electricity and to the persons responsible for switching lights on and off. A Plaque has now been erected by Tree of Light on the Village Green.

NEWS FROM BROADWAY FIRST SCHOOL

Spring is nearly upon us, and we hope the weather will be better by the time you read this.

This term started with a bang, and a clap and a sing, when our key stage 2 children joined nearly six and half thousand other children at the Young Voices Concert in Birmingham's Genting Arena. The children had been practising the songs for weeks, and absolutely did us proud when they got their opportunity to shine on stage. This school has been participating in Young Voices for some years now, it is a fantastic occasion, and the children get so much out of being able to sing on stage in a real choir, with an orchestra and a conductor.

Our children have also enjoyed being eco warriors. We are very pleased to announce that we have achieved the silver eco award from the Eco School organisation. This has involved, amongst other things, doing an environmental review and putting together an action plan that involved the whole school. What's more, it's all led by the children, which helps them become outgoing and confident, developing important life skills as they have fun.

Talking of fun, we had a visit from S&D Falconry recently. They brought several of their lovely birds with them, including Molly the barn owl and Egan the peregrine falcon. "I really liked it", "It was really amazing" and "You could feel Molly flying above our heads, but you couldn't hear her" were some of the comments from the children.

Looking towards the future, the Friends of Broadway First School are busy organising the May Fayre, which will be held on our school field on the 20th May, all welcome. It's sure to be a great day and we are hoping to raise lots of money for the little extras we like to provide for the children. At the moment, we are looking to fund Forest School training, and a new whizzy interactive white board for one of the classes. Please come along and support us.

HOW TO SUBMIT:

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BROADWAY FLOWER SHOW

With the nights getting lighter we can now all begin to start thinking about our gardens. I know September's flower show feels a long way off but there are plans to be made. The Committee have had the first meeting and the Village Green and the marquee are booked. Saturday September 10th. Make a note now so you don't forget. What will you enter? Potatoes? Pot fuchsias - if so they need potting now. Are you a keen photographer? Why not enter a photo? Here are this year's categories.

- M1 = A country pub
- M2 = A market square
- M3 = Grazing animals
- M4 = Wild Flowers
- M5 = A riverbank scene
- M6 = A woodland scene
- M7 = Family holiday (juniors only)

We all love the flower show and hope you all do too. Without your entries the show doesn't exist. Last year's show entries were up on 2014 so we are moving in the right direction. We now have a Facebook Page so please like and share and start following us. Look out for us next month for more news on the flower show.

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RNLI FUNDRAISING

Many thanks to everyone who supported the talk in aid of the RNLI by Frank Austin at the Lygon last month Thanks to your generosity over £1000 was raised, and this will be increased, as always, by additional support from the Misses Barrie Charitable Trust.

Church Services and other events

St Michael's C of E: 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun 10.30am; 2nd & 4th Sundays 8am/10:30; Wed 10.30am

St Saviour's Catholic: Vigil Mass Sat 5pm only. Daily Mass Tues 10am, Fri 11am.

Methodist: Sun Service 10.30; open Fri & Sat 10am to 4pm for refreshments.

Thurs 24th Mar Maundy Service 7pm

United Reformed Church (URC): 10.30am, 2nd Tues 11am Service of Wholeness & Healing. Thurs 24th Mar Maundy Service 7pm at Methodist Church Broadway

Baptist Church, Chipping Campden: Sun 10.30 at Chipping Campden School (crèche & Junior Church 4-16 years), 6.30pm at the church

St Eadburgha's: Services are held at 6:00pm on Sundays from Easter Day until Harvest Festival. Church open daily 10am to 4pm in winter, later in summer.

MICHAEL LOVIBOND TO JOIN THE GORDON RUSSELL DESIGN MUSEUM AS MUSEUM MANAGER

May I introduce myself. I joined the museum as its manager at the beginning of February. I have recently relocated to the Midlands after living for many years in the New Forest and I am delighted to be offered this position.



I have recently completed a Master's degree in Heritage Management at Bath Spa University which included placements at Poole Museum and at the National Trust. My previous roles include Head of Corporate Development at the General Dental Council in London and Director of Operations for a business unit at Southampton University. Currently, I am a trustee of Lighthouse, Poole's Centre for the Arts and mentor to a museum in the South West as part of an HLF funded programme run by Hampshire Cultural Trust.

My new role will give me a great opportunity to combine my management background with my love of heritage. I am looking forward to meeting many of the museum's supporters over the coming months, to developing plans for its future and working with the team at the museum to increase the number of visitors that enjoy its collection.

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Mon-Fri term time 9am-3pm	Broadway & Towerview Playschool, Jude 01386 853780 / 07922025902
Mon/Tues/Wed t/time	Aria Dance Company, classes for ages 5-17; Broadway Youth Club, Arianna 07951277847
Mon-Sat 10am-4pm	Tourist Information Centre Also open Sundays; Russell Square, 01386 852937
Mon 9:15 & 10:30am	Cotswold Pilates; Methodist Church Hall, Michele 07929 035262
Mon 10am-3pm	Signpost/Age UK alternating; 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Mon 11-11:30am	Bounce & Rhyme for babies; Broadway Library, 01905 822722
Mon 5:00pm AND 7:00pm	Slimming World, Double Session; Lifford Hall, Emma 07762 740237
Mon 7:00-8:30pm	Girl Guides (ages 10-14) term time only; Ruth Jones 01789 772328
Mon 7:00-8:30pm	Yoga; Broadway 1st School, Marion Moore 01386 853715
Tues 9:15am	Pilates @ Childswickham village hall, for info & other exercise classes Tess 07815 949970
Tues 2-2:45pm	Raising Voices for ages 2-5; Broadway Methodist Church Hall, Micaela 01386 859648
Tues 4-8pm	Relate (by appointment); Signpost 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Tues 6-8pm	T'ai Chi mixed ability class; URC Hall, Val 01608 652835
Tues 6:45-9pm	Broadway Whist Drive Club; The Court, Russell's Estate, Patricia 01386 853110
1st Tues of the month 2-4pm	Table Games Afternoon for all ages+Refreshments; URC Hall, tel Mark 07949 296738
2nd Tues 8:30am	Breakfast Book Group; Russell's Restaurant, Elizabeth 01386 858588
2nd Tues 10:00-11:00am	Short Walks; from The Court Back Lane, followed by coffee, Kim 07854717430
3rd Tues 8:45 am	Book Club; Margaret 01386 852120
Wed 10am-12 Noon	Knitting Circle; Tisanes Tearooms High St Broadway, Pat 01386 852444
Wed 10am-4pm	Bric a Brac stall; Broadway (GWR) Station; John 01386 584366
Wed 1.15-3.45pm	Broadway Parents, Toddlers & Friends, St Saviour's Church Rooms; Micaela 01386 859648
Wed 6:00-7:15pm	Broadway Beavers (ages 6-8); Anne 01386 830505
Wed 7-8:30pm	Yoga to Relax & Revive; All welcome, Lifford Hall, Enqs Aston 01386 870893
Wed 7:30-9:00pm	Broadway Music Makers Rehearsal; URC Hall, Martin 01242 603553
Alt Wed 2-4pm	Neighbours on Line, Computer and Internet classes; URC hall, Mark 07949 296738
Alt Wed 2-4pm	Family History Sessions; Broadway Library, 01905 822722
1st Wed. 12-2 pm	Evesham Dementia Café; St Mary's Parish Hall, St Egwin's Rd, Evesham, Helen 01684 891455
1st Wed 7:30pm	Childswickham Women's Institute; Childswickham Memorial Hall, Marilyn 01386 854661
2nd wed 7.30pm	Savvy, professional networking group, The Swan Broadway, 01386 853339
Last wed 2:00pm	Broadway Library Readers group, 01905 822722
Last Wed 7:30pm	Broadway Natural History Society; Methodist Hall, 01386 852747
Thurs 10am-3pm	Signpost; 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Thurs 10:30am-12noon	Looking After Yourself, Tai chi/musical exercise alt weeks; URC hall info Mark 07949 296738
Thurs 1:30-3pm	Babytime; Apple Vale Children's Centre, 01386 859039
Thurs 6.30-8pm	Broadway Cub Scouts (ages 8-10); Anne 01386 830505
Thurs 6-8pm	Broadway Youth Club (ages 5-19); at Broadway Youth Centre, 01386 853013
Most Thurs 8:45pm	Live Music (Jazz/Blues); The Crown & Trumpet, 01386 853202
1st Thurs 10:00am-1pm	Broadway Embroidery Group; Methodist Hall, Gill 01386 830604
1st Thurs 3-4pm	Cancer Support Group; Signpost, 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
4thThurs 10:30am-12noon	Rural Read Book Group; Stanton Guildhouse, For current book phone Susan 01386 584357
Last Thurs 1-3pm	Citizens Advice Bureau (appointment advised); Signpost, 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Fri 6:30-7pm	Metafit & 7-7:30pm Piyo; both @ Childswickham village hall, For info Tess 07815 949970
Fri 6:30-8:00pm	Pilots (ages 4-18); Also on Sundays 10:30am, info tel Mark 07949 296738
2nd Fri 10am	North Cotswold U3A Gardening Group; Childswickham Village hall, Pat 01386 852720
Sat 10am-4pm	Bric a Brac stall; Broadway (GWR) Station; John 01386 584366

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WILL ASPEY AND VICTORIA BEASLEY *The Barbara Baker interview*

Most people living in Broadway will have seen Will and Victoria. They both attended Broadway First School, Bredon Hill Middle, and Prince Henry's High School in Evesham, though Will is 18 and Victoria 21. I asked them what it was like to be born, bred, and working in Budgens, in Broadway.

Victoria said: "I have been working at Warners Budgens since 2010. It was my local shop; it had opened about five years before, so it was a perfect place to work, particularly as I didn't drive at that time. I like having interaction with people - many customers ask where things are (particularly eggs), so they get to know us and we know them. For about a year I have

been a Duty Manager and am responsible for shifts and a couple of departments and I've loved this opportunity.

We are in the process of building a new store in Winchcombe and, when open, I will be Assistant Manager. Now, if you had said to me five years ago that I would be an Assistant Manager at 21, I would have said no way! I am excited to take on the challenge of a new store and I will meet lots of new people. Much as I love being in Broadway, it will be nice not to live, work and go out in the same village. At present I see more of the people I work with than my family.

In my spare time I enjoy playing the tenor saxophone and taking photographs. Broadway has great pubs, too, for going for a drink with friends. It would be nice if there was a record shop in the village as currently you have to go to the bigger towns to get anything music related. I would love to take my photography further in the future; living in Broadway presents great opportunities, as it is very scenic, with lots of places to explore on your doorstep. I thoroughly enjoy going up to the tower and snapping away."

Will said: "After leaving school I applied to the RAF, wanting to be a fiber optics engineer, but I got one point lower than I needed in the tests for that particular job. My auntie worked for Budgens, and I thought it was a good place to work; I have been there since 2013. It's a small, family-run business, with only about 20 staff, so we all do loads of different things and no day is the same. You might be on the shop floor, or getting produce from the warehouse upstairs, manning the tills or the deli - it never gets boring.

Occasionally accidents do happen! I once knocked into a table of glass jars and bottles and sent stock flying everywhere so there was mess all over the floor. Luckily, it was Sunday night so it wasn't too busy. If you do something seriously bad, everyone stops to see what has happened, but they know it was an accident.

I like talking to people and enjoy knowing almost everyone who lives in Broadway; if you walk up the High Street everybody says hello. In Budgens we work very much as a team and are like a family, getting on really well. We usually all go out together in the evenings, too, often to the Swan. I am lucky, having weekends off, and I play a lot of football, training four or five times a week. I play for Broadway and Bretforton as a striker or left wing.

Living in Broadway is great for children, because there is the park, but as a teenager, until you have learned to drive, I don't think there is enough to do. I don't like walking anywhere, it is too slow and boring - I even drive to work now - though I only live at the top of the village. Public transport is a problem here so before you can drive you have to rely on lifts from parents or really expensive taxis. I still live at home and can't imagine ever being able to afford a house in Broadway. Eventually I might want to move to a town or city, like Cheltenham or London, and do something else, but I don't know what yet. At the moment I am happy here - though it would be even better if there was a cocktail bar, perhaps Roberto's?"

BROADWAY ARTS FESTIVAL 3rd - 19th June

Come and Sing! Choral Workshop

An enjoyable Come and Sing! choral workshop will be held as part of the forthcoming Broadway Arts Festival.

Do you enjoy singing? Come and join our ad hoc chorus for an entertaining and joyful day's singing with others, getting to grips with a range of well-loved choral pieces. We'll work on the repertoire during the workshop sessions, followed by an informal concert, open to the public, to show our friends what we've achieved. We expect the day to be of interest to a wide range of singers, from those who are less confident but would enjoy the experience of singing in a big choir, to seasoned performers who like a jolly good sing.

The important dates are:

Saturday 2nd April, 2.30-5.00pm (free preview workshop)
Saturday 4th June, 10am - 5.30pm (workshop) followed by informal concert 7.30pm

Venue - Lifford Memorial Hall. Programme to include:

- Gloria (1st movement), Vivaldi
- Ave Verum Corpus, Elgar
- Ave Verum Corpus, Mozart
- Selected choruses, Gilbert & Sullivan
- Be not afraid! from Elijah, Mendelssohn
- Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah, Handel

Director Richard Stephens and Martin Dear, Assistant Director, are well-respected local choral conductors and trainers, with a wealth of experience and proven success in getting the best out of amateur singers. Those who have sung with them will agree that this workshop promises to be an entertaining and exhilarating event!

The workshop price of £20 includes scores, practice CDs and tea-break refreshments. Also included is a free, optional preview afternoon (see 2nd April) when we'll have a run through of all the pieces, and singers who'd like to be one step ahead can take away scores and practice CDs. This may be especially helpful for those who are less confident about their ability to read music.

To book your place, please go to www.broadwayartsfestival.com/events

For more information please contact www.broadwayartsfestival.com
email: music@broadwayartsfestival.com
Tel: 01386 898387 (please leave message)

Sorry the Newsletter is late & rough and ready to boot!

Family crisis in the production team has caused hiccups in the production process. We felt it was better to get something out, untidy as it may be.

Regards

The Newsletter team

What's On, One-Off Events:

Sat 5 Mar	GWR - Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway - Start of 2016 season, 01242 621405
Sat 19 Mar 7.30pm	Birmingham Gospel Choir; Lifford Hall, Broadway. Tickets contact Mark 07949 296738
Mon 21 Mar 7pm	BAF Lecture 'Cotswolds in the Drama of Shakespeare', Torrington Room, Lygon Arms; Tel 858841
Sat 26 Mar 9.30am-12.30pm	Easter Activities for 5-18 year olds; URC hall, Broadway. Mark 07949 296738
Mon 28 Mar	GWR Easter Eggspress - Easter fun at Winchcombe stn, no need to book, 01242 621405
Wed 30 Mar 7.30pm	Natural History Society "Marine Conservation"; Methodist Church Hall, Derek 01386 852747
Sat 2nd Apr	'Come & Sing' Introductory Choral Workshop. Tickets req'd. See Broadway Arts Festival website.
Wed 30 Mar 5.00-6.30 pm	Talk: Sister Edith Appleton OBE; Ashmolean Museum Broadway, Louise 01386 859047
Sat/Sun 23/24 Apr	GWR 'Wartime in the Cotswolds' weekend; (all stations), 01242 621405
Wed 27 Apr 7.30pm	Natural History Society "Hedgehogs"; Methodist Church Hall, Derek 01386 852747
Thurs 28 Apr 5.00-6.30 pm	Talk: Muirhead Bone by Harry Athenwood; Ashmolean Museum Broadway, Louise 01386 859047
Thurs/Fri 26/27 May 7.30pm	Broadway Music Makers Spring Concert; Lifford Hall, tickets from Shopwright. Enqs 853831

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GIFFORDS CIRCUS 2016 TOUR

The Painted Wagon rolls into towns and villages near to you this summer, from May until September. The Painted Wagon is a whip-crackin' horse-wranglin' hell-raisin' Giffords Circus show. The Giffords Circus gang will all be there: cowgirl Lilian Konyot, Madame Nancy Trotter-Landry, rodeo rider Dan Fortt, jugglers Bibi and Bichu, El Gifford (STILL WANTED) and funny man Tweedy the clown. A wild west extravaganza of eye-catching acrobatics and aerialists from far and distant lands, dancing horses, bounty hunting, and gold panning, all to the beat of the "Dodge City" Giffords Circus saloon band.

For more information please visit www.giffordscircus.com or call 0845 4597469.

ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM

Visitors to the Ashmolean Museum Broadway, who are UK tax-payers, can now make a one-off donation of £5 on entry to then gain free entrance to the museum for 12 months.

Under the gift aid scheme the donation of £5 means the Ashmolean Museum Broadway receives £6.25 (25p for every £1 donated). If you pay tax at a higher than basic rate you can reclaim the difference in your donation in your annual HMRC tax return. If you do not pay UK tax or do not pay sufficient tax to cover the donation value, then the standard entrance fee costs you exactly the same.

The museum reopened in February and its special exhibition on the works of Edward Lear continues until 8th May, which will be followed by its summer exhibition of the works of F.L. Griggs. There will also be more activities and trails within the museum during 2016 providing plenty of reason for visitors to return and bring their family and friends.

The Ashmolean Museum Broadway is open Tuesday - Sunday 10am-5pm. You can pay the £5 gift aid donation if you are a UK tax payer or normal entrance fees are: £5; children 5-16 £2; Family £10.

BROADWAY STATION UPDATE

Construction of the station building has progressed well. The steel supports for the canopy have been installed, and construction of the walls up to damp course level is well advanced. Once this has been done the concrete floor will be laid. Most of the wooden door and window frames have been delivered, and a small team of volunteers is steadily working on putting the first coats of primer paint on them. Our last major task on the signal box is construction of a staircase to the first floor operating room. We already have a concrete base for the stairs and brackets mounted to support the landing at the top. A start has been made on the equipment installation by the railway's Signal and Telegraph Department, and there is now a full set of levers in place in the lever frame. We are also making progress with the footbridge construction. In December the concrete foundation for the tower on platform 1 was constructed, and at the time of writing the construction of the foundation on platform 2 is about to start. When this is completed the towers, which will support the footbridge span across the tracks, will be erected. The railway had a successful 2015, with a record number of visitors, some 88,000. The 2016 season starts on Saturday 5 March, and will offer an increased number of operating days, as well as the usual variety of special events. For those who wish to follow our activities and have internet access, details of our work can be found at <http://broadwaystationgroup.blogspot.co.uk>.

The Last Mile

Although we have made good progress at the station site, much remains to be done to deliver an operational station and to enable trains to run into it. We need to purchase ballast and rails, prepare the last mile of trackbed, replace fencing and improve access to the station. To help finance this, the railway will be launching a share offer entitled 'The Last Mile' at the end of March. This share offer qualifies under the Government Enterprise Investment Scheme (EIS) for tax relief of 30% (if you are an eligible tax-payer). Shareholders also qualify for travel concessions on the railway, depending on the number of shares held. If you wish to support the final push to Broadway, and are not already a shareholder, you can register your interest by emailing finance.director@gwsr.com.