



Dear Friends and supporters

Spring 2025



Welcome to the (almost) Spring Newsletter

It's a little bit early for Spring but I wanted to let you know that I will be exhibiting with Cotswold Art Club at Hidcote Manor, near Chipping Campden for the whole of March this year.

If you haven't been it's a fantastic National Trust property, a tapestry of smaller gardens full of exciting plants and trees with wonderful views across the countryside – plus the obligatory café and shop. Well worth a visit.

See the [Cotswold Art Club](#) website for sneak preview of some of our work that will be on sale.

Next Saturday Mary and I will be offering our Memory Collage workshop to the Oxford Stitchers group. This is a lovely opportunity to create a tribute to someone special by transferring photos onto fabric and surrounding them with poignant items. This is a collage of my grandmother holding my mother's hand as a child with their crochet and lace



Mary and I are also giving some talks throughout the year entitled '*Unravelling the Threads: Working on Textiles from very different directions*'. This is a one-hour talk discussing our very different routes into textiles and where we are now.

In June I will be taking part in [Cheltenham Open Studios](#) once again. This is a great opportunity to meet artists/makers in their own studios and see what fantastic creativity we have in the county. It runs from 7-15 June – there will be more info on the various venues nearer the time.

2025 EVENTS:

15 February	Memory Collage Workshop, Oxford
18 February	Craft Fair, Cotswold Hills Golf Club
19 February	Talk, Lichfield
1-30 March	Art Club Exhibition, Hidcote National Trust
9 April	Shibori Stitch Workshop, Brockhampton
22 May	Natural Dye Workshop, Open University Milton Keynes
7-15 June	Cheltenham Open Studios
17 June	Talk, Pershore
6-12 August	Exhibition Lower Slaughter Village Hall

My work is also available at [Swift Art and Design](#) in Winchcombe High Street. A lovely little shop packed full of great art and design, run by local artist Guy Warner.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to seeing you if you can make any of the events/ exhibitions during 2025.

Best wishes
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