



Dear Friends and supporters

September 2022

Welcome to the Autumn Newsletter.



It has been a long hot summer and I really enjoyed being part of the Art in the Park Exhibition in Cheltenham. This group of artists are so friendly and the public seemed genuinely interested in all of our work – and I sold a few pieces too. In June/July I had 2 weeks with the lovely Alice Shepherd ([www.aliceshepherdceramics.net](http://www.aliceshepherdceramics.net)) in her Studio near Moreton-in-Marsh as part of Warwickshire Open Studios which was also an inspiring and successful event. Alice's pottery is very sought after and well worth a look.



My next event will be the **Malvern Autumn Show** at the Three Counties Showground, from Friday **23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September**. The event is open from 9am to 6pm – I'm in one of the outside market stalls so if you are planning to go please come and say hello. I'll have scarves, cushions, books,



bags, calendars, a new range of tea towels and infinity scarves, as well as some new art work.

## WORKSHOPS

Dr Mary Harlow and I have 2 new workshop dates for the Shibori/Indigo Dye day:

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022** – Bonds Lifestyle near Stratford - 10-4pm

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023** – The Garden at Miserden, nr Stroud - 10-4pm

Our first Natural Dyes workshop will be:

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2022**

Cutting Edge Studio, Malvern - 10-4pm

In this workshop we will explore the exciting world of colouring wool, silk and cotton using natural plants.



I am also very excited to have indigo scarves and notebooks selected to be part of the Miserden Garden shop range. This beautiful garden has recently had a make-over with lovely tea rooms and gardens in the stunning Cotswold village of Miserden. The shop is championing local arts and crafts and has some very interesting and unique items for sale. Again, well worth a visit, even just for tea and cake!

[www.miserden.org](http://www.miserden.org).

As part of the Living from Art group we have an exhibition of paintings and art work inside the Monkscroft Care Centre in Cheltenham. It is a new venture organised by Anna Poulton who has worked very hard to get this up and running - and I'm honoured to have my work on display here to enhance the experience for carers, patients and their families. At a recent open day there were many very positive comments.

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

[www.swiftartanddesign.com](http://www.swiftartanddesign.com)

## Upcoming Events

**23-25 September** Malvern Autumn Show, Three Counties Showground, Malvern.

**15 October** Shibori stitch, Indigo dye workshop at Bonds Lifestyle, Stratford 10-4pm

**22 October** Natural Dyes workshop at Cutting Edge Studio, Malvern 10-4pm

**5 November** Shibori stitch, Indigo dye workshop with Threads group in Worcester

**12 November** Shibori stitch half day workshop with Stitch Cotswold Group in Cheltenham.

**27 November** Cirencester Christmas Art & Craft Market

**March/April 2023** Shibori stitch, Indigo Dye workshop at The Garden at Miserden, 10-4pm

Thank you for your time and in anticipation of seeing you soon.

Best wishes  
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