

November 2023 Painting Group

On November 10th, a bitterly cold and damp day, we assembled for a winter painting session, swaddled in layers of winter apparel.

Anne introduced a very apt theme for this time of year...sketching and then painting a snow covered landscape featuring trees.

She illustrated how we could achieve snowy effects with the use of white gouache, which has a distinctive matte finish and is easily blended with watercolours.

We sketched our snowscapes and using the mixed medium, we created the atmospheric, washed out colours of a bleak, English countryside in winter. After tea and biscuits, Anne then showed us how to add finer detail by using water soluble ink pens, whereby we could leave the detail showing, or blend it in to achieve a blurred effect.

We all agreed we could utilise these techniques to possibly create our own Christmas cards! Next year!

Next meeting - December 8th. 10-12 am at Startforth Community Centre. For more details, contact Val Hobbs on 07900497503