

Painting Group February 2024 – Val Hobbs

It had been snowing heavily the day before the meeting, so I did anticipate that some members may not be able to push through to Startforth...and yet most of the group stoically turned up.

Anne had decided on a Spring/Valentine's theme of flowers, which made us project ourselves forward to warmer and brighter days!

Following on from last month's workshop of using graphite pencils, we continued in this vein to produce sketches of flowers, focussing on the angle of light to locate the areas of shade. This certainly is a skill which needs plenty of practice, and once mastered, will be a valuable technique to apply to all medium.

After coffee and biscuits, we sketched the same flowers and, observing the light and shade, created the same, leaving white paper and using diluted watercolour for the lighter areas and heavier colour for the shade. A very beneficial lesson indeed!

March 8th next meeting at 10.30 am at Startforth Community Centre.

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