

Linda Norris • Painting and Glass Courses 2011

The Artist

Linda Norris has been working as an artist for 29 years. She trained in Fine Art at University College of Wales, Aberystwyth and graduated in 1981 with a BA (Hons) Visual Art. She then worked in Wales and London developing her own work alongside working as a community artist and art teacher specialising in working with disadvantaged groups and people with particular special needs.

She moved to Pembrokeshire in 1993 to concentrate on her own painting and has since been developing her work as an emotional response to landscape. She has shown regularly at the Adam Gallery in Bath and London, and at New Academy Gallery. She opened her own gallery in Pembrokeshire, adjacent to her studio, in 1999 and since then has welcomed almost 4,000 visitors.

She is well known for her expressive mixed media landscape paintings and is currently working on a series of aerial paintings resulting from a collaboration with a pilot. Examples of her work can be seen on her website at <http://www.linda-norris.com>

The Place

The extraordinary light and landscape of Pembrokeshire has inspired artists since Turner's day. The residential courses are based at Swmbarch House, which is a 4 Star accredited farmhouse and studio in a peaceful hamlet just off the A40 near Fishguard. Swmbarch has 3 gorgeous ensuite double/twin rooms overlooking the garden, and a large studio working area. Non - residential painting courses are held in the wonderful light and airy studio at Llwyndrain Farm in the Preseli Hills near Mynachlog Ddu, where Anne and her husband, Lindsay, provide delicious and sustaining lunches and home-made cakes. Glass workshops will be held in Linda's studio gallery in Maenclochog.

Painting Courses

The aim of the courses will be to explore landscape-based abstraction using mixed media. Incorporating things like wax, sand and plaster, you will free your technique and get to grips with texture. Tuition will be in mixed ability groups with numbers limited to a maximum of 8 participants to allow plenty of time for individual needs to be catered for. Linda can also arrange courses for painting groups, please get in touch if you are interested.

Course Dates

February 11 - 14	Residential Course at Swmbarch
April 15 - 18	Non residential Course at Llwyndrain
May 5- 9	Non residential Course at Llwyndrain (includes 3 days tuition and trip to Skomer Island)
October 21 - 24	Residential Course at Swmbarch
November 25 -28	Residential Course at Swmbarch

Vouchers

Beautiful personalised vouchers can be purchased for all or part fees for these courses. This enables the recipient to make their own choice of dates and course. [Click here to see a sample voucher.](#)

Residential courses at Swmbarch House

Our studio space, and all meals will be at Swmbarch House near Fishguard <http://www.indigobrown.co.uk/accommodation.php>. Some shared accommodation will also be at Swmbarch. Single occupancy accommodation and will be provided at Swmbarch or an alternative suitable nearby hotel such as Cefn y Dre

Costs

Residential Full Board Single Occupancy	£410 pp 3 nights Bed and Breakfast plus lunch and evening meals at Swmbarch
Residential Full Board Shared Occupancy	£365 pp includes 3 nights accommodation sharing twin ensuite room and all meals
Non painting partners	£230 pp includes full board and lodging for 3 nights in shared en suite room
Non residential	£230 pp includes welcome meal and all lunches and tea and coffee

Costs include the Friday evening welcome meal and introduction, 2 days tuition and the visit to Linda's studio. The May course includes 3 days tuition, a guided sketching trip to Skomer Island, boat fares and island landing fees.

The Food

Delicious vegetarian meals will be provided by Andrew Brown who is an experienced chef, all food will be organic and locally produced where possible. Any special dietary requirements or preferences will be catered for. Lunch, teas and coffee will be provided for everyone. Evening meals for residents will be at 7.30pm.

Non - Residential courses at Studio Llwyndrain

Studio Llwyndrain is a wonderful airy studio in the heart of the Preseli Hills which has plenty of space for us to spread out and make a mess! Fabulous cakes and home-made bread and soup are provided. The welcome meal will be held at a local restaurant.

Skomer Island is a National Nature Reserve managed by the Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales. The island is reached by a 10 minute boat trip from Martins Haven near Dale. Linda has been painting on the island for over 17 years, and her husband, Den, an ornithologist who used to be Assistant Warden there, will be our guide for the day. In May, Skomer boasts the spectacle of fields of bluebells mingling with campion, and is an endless inspiration for Linda's work.

Costs

Easter Course	April 22nd - 24th	£230 includes 2 days tuition, welcome meal and all lunches, teas and coffee.
Skomer Bluebells	May 10th - 14th	£370 includes 3 days tuition, guided sketching trip to Skomer Island, welcome meal and all lunches, teas and coffee.

GLASS JEWELLERY DAYS

For the past few years Linda has also been exploring glass as a medium. Following the popularity of her Xmas Decorations Workshops she will be running a couple of glass jewellery days in 2011. More dates will be added later in the year, if you have a particular preference please get in touch.

Glass courses will offer students the chance to explore fused glass as a medium for jewellery. Students will have an introduction to glass fusing and will be able to complete a number of jewellery pieces.

February 5 - One Day Fused Glass Jewellery Course in Maenclochog £60

March 26 - Make a pendant for Mother's Day £15 per pendant, adults and children welcome.

This is a drop-in workshop, please return the booking form to reserve a time-slot.

Painting Course Booking Form

Name

Address

Telephone Number

Email

Course Dates

Name of participant

Number of residential places required:

Number of Non-residential places required:

Names of other participants (if applicable)

Would you like to bring a non-painting partner?

Any food or other allergies please list here:

Any medical conditions I need to know about:

Any special requirements:

If you are purchasing a voucher please let me know the name of the recipient and I will send the personalised voucher to you with details of the courses and a booking form .

Payment Details

(Please make cheques payable to: Linda Norris)

I enclose a non-refundable deposit cheque for £100pp (2/3day courses), £30 Glass Day

I enclose a cheque for the total course fee.

I enclose a cheque for a course voucher.

Signed:

Date:

To book please print out and complete this form and return to **Linda Norris** at :
Llwynon, Maenclochog, Clunderwen, Pembrokeshire SA66 7LB

A list of what to bring and recommended places to stay will be provided on receipt of your form.

Glass Course Booking Form

Name

Address

Telephone Number

Email

Course Date

Name of participant

Number of places required:

Names of other participants (if applicable) plus ages of any children

Any medical conditions I need to know about:

Mother`s Day Pendant Workshop (26th March)

Please underline your preferred time slot:

10 - 11am

11.30 - 12.30am

2 - 3pm

3.30 - 4pm

Payment Details

(Please make cheques payable to: Linda Norris)

I enclose a non-refundable deposit cheque for £30 Glass Jewellery Day, £10 Glass Pendant Workshop / or I enclose a cheque for the total course fee.

Signed:

Date:

To book please print out and complete this form and return with your deposit to **Linda Norris** at **Llwynon, Maenclochog, Clunderwen, Pembrokeshire SA66 7LB**

A list of what to bring will be provided on receipt of your form.

Terms and Conditions

By booking on any of our courses or accommodation you agree to abide by our terms and conditions.

Health & Safety: All guests are responsible for their own safety and must at all times act also with the safety of other guests in mind.

We will advise of any hazardous substances and an introduction to the studio will be given on arrival.

Special requirements:

We will be pleased to try to cater for special requirements. On painting courses, those with special food needs should discuss this with us before booking. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to cater for all needs, but we will try.

Please inform us in advance of any allergies, disabilities, diabetes, pregnancy, epilepsy etc.

Payment:

A deposit of £30 per person for one day courses and £100 per person for weekend course must be paid at time of booking. This is non-refundable after seven days. The balance of the fee is payable six weeks before the course start date.

Skomer Island Trip:

In the event that the boat to the island is cancelled due to bad weather, a trip to an alternative location will be arranged and participants will receive a refund of boat fares and landing fees.

Cancellations:

If we have to cancel your course before it starts we will refund your fee in full.

In the event of cancellation for whatever reason, our liability shall be limited to the refund of fees to those booked on to the course concerned. No liability shall be held to any other party or for any other costs incurred by the participant.

If you have to cancel for good reason then please speak to us.

No guarantee is given that fees can be refunded. No refund will be given up to six weeks before your chosen course, but if we can find another to take your place, we would be pleased to refund your fee or an appropriate part of it.

We advise that you take out an appropriate holiday insurance policy for the duration of your holiday.

We reserve the right to make minor amendments to the course content or prices without notice.