

Paul Alcock

I completed a painting degree 31 years ago at Camberwell School of Art, I then worked various jobs but for the last 14 years I've worked as artist and taught adults. The local environment of Southend on Sea and the Estuary have provided the main inspiration for my paintings plus a few other trips further afield. I enjoy creating works which celebrate life and the world around me. I paint on location when ever the opportunity arises and I'm very fortunate to live in a coastal environment with lots of interesting places to paint. I exhibit my work through local galleries and the Leigh Art Trail in Leigh on Sea.

I won the best work in exhibition prize at the Essex Open Exhibition in 2011 (Beecroft Gallery, Westcliff on Sea) . In 2012 I was one of the artists chosen to paint live with the BBC during their coverage of the Queens Diamond Jubilee River Pageant, I was also short listed in 2012 in the Artist and Illustrator magazines Artist of the year competition.

I run my own classes in painting for adults as well as running courses and painting holidays for a number of organisations including Arte Umbria, Art in the Algae, Watershed Studio and Old Bank Studio and the NHS

I took part in Paint Out Norwich last year and I've taken part in a couple of painting competitions including Pintar Rapido, The Bath Prize and I've been a "wild Card" in Sky Arts Landscape competition in 2015 and 2016. I enjoy the atmosphere of painting competitions and the chance to meet and work amongst other artists.

The works I've submitted were painted on site. Some took one or two sessions whilst the longest took about 7 sessions.