

SUMMER TERM 2024

THE PGH NEWS

Rugby's Independent Adult Education Centre

Welcome to the Summer Term

Welcome to a longer than usual Summer Term! An early Easter break has given us the opportunity to put on an 11-week term and most courses will finish in week commencing 24 June.

There are 14 Saturday dayschools to choose from as well as some Summer Schools in our final week (1 -5 July) - check out the timetable on page 3 or see all the details on our website by scanning the QR code on this page, or by clicking [here](#).

As usual, one small request: please do not come to the Guildhouse if you are feeling unwell.



SCAN ME

Support your Guildhouse!

We are so grateful to all our students who support us by attending courses, donating time to us as volunteers, participating in events or giving additional money to help ensure our survival. Thank you for staying with us through the recent tough times.

We had a full house for our recent AGM, a testament to how much you all care about the future of the Guildhouse, and we really appreciate that solidarity. After having made a loss of £42,000 in the 2022-23 academic year, we are tackling our dwindling resources with several initiatives designed to increase our income and attract new students.

Get involved - Become a 'Friend of the Guildhouse'

One new thing you, or people you know, can do is become a Friend of the Guildhouse. Costing only £15 a year, Friends of the Guildhouse will be able to enrol one day early in the Autumn, use the free PGH wifi and receive 3 free drinks a year. And your fee will be used to keep the Guildhouse going for all to enjoy.

Enrol in June 2024 to use your benefits throughout the 2024/25 academic year, starting with early enrolment on 14 August for the Autumn Term!

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Be part of our Centenary

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Plans are now well under way to celebrate our Centenary in September 2025. A small group of volunteers have met several times already to draw up a programme of events during the Centenary year.

The 100th anniversary gives us the opportunity to celebrate the provision of adult education at the Percival Guildhouse and to recognise the contributions made by so many individuals during that time. Here are just some of the events and projects to look out for. →

If you have any comments, suggestions or anecdotes regarding your time at the Guildhouse, then please do let us know. Call in or phone the office on 01788 542467 to leave your name and a volunteer will contact you.

Official Launch of Aspinall Lounge

In March we officially launched our refurbished lounge thanks to a £3,000 grant from Hinckley & Rugby Building Society. You may have noticed the new wallpaper, repainted walls, custom-built bookcases, new furniture and ports for iPads and laptops which have created a welcoming space where students can relax in between classes. We also aim to use the lounge to showcase art produced by students attending art classes at PGH.



Carin Jackson (retiring Chairman) and Sarah Gall (Centre Manager) were joined by Simon Terry, Rugby branch manager for Hinckley & Rugby Building Society. He said: "We believe in supporting the communities in which we operate and encouraging those organisations that themselves help to build communities. The Percival Guildhouse is a great example of this, providing a warm and inviting base for continuing education not just for the people of Rugby but to students from all neighbouring counties."

Events

THE PERCIVAL GUILDHOUSE CENTENARY 2025



Please join in!



Dayschools

SATURDAY 11 MAY 2024

10AM-4PM

- Digital Photography for beginners



- Needlefelting



- Matisse inspired painting workshop



- The Queenes Pickture: Portraits of Queen Elizabeth I

- Book Making

- Ukulele for Beginners



- Relief Printmaking



SATURDAY 8 JUNE 2024

10AM - 4PM

- Life Drawing
- Silk Painting Cushion Cover
- Henry VIII and the Field of Cloth of Gold

- From East to West: Healing Traditions

- Impasto Floral Landscape



- Air Dry Clay Ornaments



- Relief Carving in Wood



Summer Schools

AT WEST HADDON PAVILION

Wednesday 8 May: 10 - 4 pm

- How to be a Home Herbalist



AT PGH

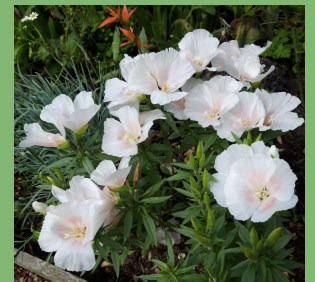
Tues & Wed 2 & 3 July: 10 - 3 pm

- Experimental Watercolours

Tues - Thurs 2 - 4 July: 10 - 4 pm

- Creative Writing Workshops

Plant Sale: 13 - 17 May



We need donations of Raffle prizes and plants to sell please

Share your thoughts with us

Help us share on social media what a great place the Guildhouse is by giving us quotes or short messages, thoughts or stories on what PGH means to you, what you have gained from being involved, how you discovered it etc. We don't have to use your name, just email your thoughts to pgh.lorraine@gmail.com or write them down and leave them in the office.





Other news

Credit cards: With our new card machine provider, credit cards attract the same fees as debit cards so we are delighted that we can now accept them.

Student Evaluation: our door is open for students to tell us what they think at any time, but we also like to give you the opportunity to complete a formal evaluation every few years as your views are important to us. This week and next week you can complete a questionnaire (available in your class) to give feedback on all aspects of your experience at the Percival Guildhouse. We are also interested in your ideas for the centenary celebrations in 2025 and for the course programme in the future so please contribute your thoughts!

PGH Gift Vouchers: did you know you can share the joy of a PGH course by giving a loved one a PGH Gift Voucher? There's more information on the website or pop into the office and we'll tell you everything you need to know.



Autumn Brochure 2024: Key Facts

IMPORTANT NEWS: we're changing our enrolment process!

Moving with the times, we are streamlining the way you enrol to acknowledge that cheques are becoming less relevant and to incorporate credit card payments into our process. We are also taking the opportunity to introduce our 'Friends of the Guildhouse' initiative (see page 1).

What's changing?

- **14 August:** Access to brochure and enrolment day for Friends of the Guildhouse only; office open 9.30am - 1.00pm
- **15 August:** Brochure launched online and in hard copy; office open 9.30am - 1.00pm, everyone is welcome to enrol by phone, post or in person
- **No advance postal enrolment**
- **Credit cards accepted** as well as debit cards, cheques, cash and PGH Vouchers
- **Office open** weekdays 9.30am - 1.00pm from 14 August until 2 Sept, then 9am - 4pm during term

What's staying the same?

- Current students receive a reminder email
- Key dates and enrolment form are available on our website
- Brochure available online and in hard copy
- All current payment methods remain valid
- Autumn enrolments are dealt with on a "first come, first served" basis
- Priority booking process for the Spring and Summer terms continues: students already in the class have a 2-week priority booking window