

an evening of art at...



Held on Friday 15th July, Orpington's first ever 'Step by step art tuition evening', at Orpington Village Halls was a resounding success with over 20 students of mixed ages and creative abilities.

Lead by the expert guidance of local artist Emil Nikolla, (runner-up Sky Portrait of the Year Artist 2016), the students were taught how to create their very own masterpiece using acrylic on canvas, inspired by the famous Sunflowers painting by Vincent Van Gogh.

The students were delighted with their work, which they proudly took home with them at the end of the evening and Jane Chelsfield, won the prize for the best painting.

"I am delighted about the success of our first art evening at Orpington Village Hall. It is an absolute pleasure to work with a variety of members of the community including students who come to my regular art classes at the halls and many new faces, most of whom have never even painted before. We are hoping that this will be the first event of many of its kind." Emil Nikolla.



Bringing four generations together through the medium of art, from Darrick Wood senior school student Raphaella to 'Nanny Pat' who completed her first ever painting at the age of 81!

The team at Orpington Village Halls concluded that the evening of art is part of a programme of special community events being organised at and hosted by the halls themselves.

This year they are also planning further art evenings, a tea dance, film screening of the local film Blitz and Bananas and a touring pantomime of Jack and the Beanstalk.

For more information about these events please email admin@orpingtonvillagehall.org.uk.