



## Regular Events

### SPORT & FITNESS

- ❖ **Finchley & Hornsey Ramblers Group** Call Vivien 8883 8190
- ❖ **Glebelands Indoor Bowls Club**, Summers Lane N12. New and experienced bowlers welcome.
- ❖ **Keep fit for the Retired** on Wednesdays, Christ Church N12. Call Bridie 8883 5269
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Bowling Club**, Kings Ave, N10. New & experienced bowlers welcome. Tel: 8883 1178.
- ❖ **Pilates** in East Finchley, qualified teacher. Contact Dee on 8883 7029
- ❖ **Pilates class** Wednesdays, 2.15-3.15pm at Youth Theatre, N2. Ring Penny Hill 8444 2882.
- ❖ **Tae Kwon Do** at The Green Man Thursdays 7-9pm 07949 612 706
- ❖ **Tennis club** with four clay courts off Southern Road. Call 8883 7723.
- ❖ **Wood Walk**, meet 10am at Cherry Tree Wood cafe on 1st & 2nd Mon of month for 1 hr walk, Call 8883 8750.
- ❖ **Yoga, breathing & relaxation.** Weekly drop-in classes - N2, N6, N10. Phone Judy on 8444 7783.
- ❖ **Yoga, pregnancy yoga, meditation** classes at Holy Trinity Church. Call Sunnah 07941 321 772 or visit [www.stretchingpeople.co.uk](http://www.stretchingpeople.co.uk)

### DANCE, DRAMA & CREATIVE ARTS

- ❖ **Art Classes.** For info call Henry on 020 8888 5133.
- ❖ **Ballroom Dance Classes**, Wednesdays. Beginners 7.30pm, Improvers 8.30pm. St Mary's Church Hall, Finchley. 020 8444 0280.
- ❖ **Club Dramatika** drama club for kids. Call 8883 7110.
- ❖ **Creative writing classes** in informal, friendly atmosphere. Tel Sallie Rose 0208 444 7217
- ❖ **East Finchley Writers Group** Creative writing 6.30pm every Weds at the Old White Lion. Contact Carola 8883 5808 or Lilian 8444 1793.
- ❖ **East Finchley Writing Workshops.** poetry writing monthly on Saturdays. Contact Dennis Evans 8346 9528.
- ❖ **Line dancing** Tuesdays from 8.30pm at The Constitutional Club. Call Maureen 8440 8530.
- ❖ **Memory Lane Singing Club** - a communal singing club. Call Idit Gold 8458 4508.
- ❖ **Over 50s Tea Dance** at Christ Church, North Finchley. Every Weds, 1pm. 020 8444 0280.
- ❖ **Learn to sing** at Finchley Methodist Church. Call 8883 4070 for info.
- ❖ **Street Dance** every Tuesday at Old Barn for children of various ages Contact Lorna 07976 203669.
- ❖ **Symphonic Wind Orchestra** Contact Caroline Egan 8340 2706
- ❖ **Tap Dance** for children beginning at Old Barn every Monday, Contact Sharon 8349 4613

### CLUBS & SOCIAL

- ❖ **Bingo Club** Mondays 7-9 pm, Green Man Centre, Contact: Jan 8815 5459
- ❖ **Contact Lunch Club** Tuesdays at the Green Man. Call 8444 1162 to book.
- ❖ **EF National Childbirth Trust** contact Joanna Brunt on 8883 0941 or [joanna-brunt@cybergal.com](mailto:joanna-brunt@cybergal.com)
- ❖ **Finchley & District Philatelic Society**, Contact Brian 8444 3251
- ❖ **Finchley Jazz Club** 15 & 29 Oct at 8pm, Wilf Slack Cricket Pavilion, East End Rd, N3.
- ❖ **Friendly Rubber Bridge** at The Old Barn. Contact 8349 4613
- ❖ **Friends of Cherry Tree Wood.** [www.cherrytreewood.co.uk](http://www.cherrytreewood.co.uk) or call 020 8883 7544.
- ❖ **Haringey Recorded Music Society** informal meetings locally. Call David Mouldon on 8361 1696.
- ❖ **Highgate Film Society**, contact Admin Office 8340 3343 or email: [admin@hlsi.net](mailto:admin@hlsi.net)
- ❖ **North London Bridge Club**, Muswell Hill. Contact 8348 3495
- ❖ **Muswell Hill and Highgate Pensioners' Action Group** Call Bob Cottingham on 8444 7635.
- ❖ **Muswell Hill Tetherdown Bridge**, contact 8883 4390
- ❖ **Old Barn pre-school club**, contact 8349 4613/1961
- ❖ **Parent & Toddler Group**, Green Man Centre, Julia 8444 2276
- ❖ **Probus Lunch Club** for retired professionals. Call John 8883 8114.
- ❖ **Stepping Stones**, interactive play session for under 3's. Karen 07957 278860.
- ❖ **SwampRock** events feature a different band each month. See [www.swamprock.org.uk](http://www.swamprock.org.uk)

## Explosive art

Amazingly energetic artwork by El Glinoyer was on show at Chorak and will be making a return visit in November.

El's collages and paintings may be contained within a standard four-sided frame but their energy and complexity seem to make them explode off the wall.

El, who lives in Muswell Hill, uses many recycled materials, including ironmongery and cat food boxes. She is also a specialist in beautiful and intricate glass work, formed using a kiln in her back garden.

"I try to transform something static like glass or paint into something liquid with a lot of movement," she said. "I'm interested in colour, light and explosive growth."

These inspirations also manifest themselves in more restful paintings of abundant flowers tumbling and spiraling out of delicate vases.

El's work, which is available to buy, will be returning to Chorak, High Road, throughout November.



El Glinoyer with one of her works of art displayed in Chorak. Photo by John Lawrence

## Local artist answers the call of the sea

By Jean Burnett

Well-known East Finchley Open artist Mari P'Anson is exhibiting some of her work at the Lloyd Gill gallery in Weston-Super-Mare. This represents a return to her home town where she studied at the local art school in the 1950s before coming to London. Some of Mari's paintings from her time in Singapore and Thailand are on show together with several local artists who are showing more modern, conceptual work.

The Lloyd Gill gallery is based in a beautifully restored Victorian house that is both home and studio for the young artist who runs the gallery. "I wanted Mari's work to stand out in this setting which is different from her usual background," said Lloyd.

Mari remains heavily influenced by her early years near the sea and in the Somerset countryside. "They influenced my perception of light and space," she says.

## Terrorist at the Noble Sage

By Daphne Chamberlain

In August, The Noble Sage in Fortis Green presented another successful free film show. *The Terrorist*, directed by Santosh Sivan and released in 1999, was a harrowing experience. It showed the training and preparation of a 19 year-old Tamil girl, Malli, assigned to assassinate a leading politician.

The story had obvious similarities to the assassination of Rajiv Gandhi by the world's first high profile suicide bomber, and was extraordinarily powerful.

Shot on a low budget in a couple of weeks, this film won instant international acclaim. Ayesha Dharker plays Malli as a girl driven by hatred, at first proud of her mission, but gradually disturbed by the wisdom and compassion of an elderly couple in the village where she is secretly preparing for the assassination. They are part of a supporting cast who arouse our emotions, while Malli herself seems to stay rigid and impassive.

I felt sadness for the suffering of many of the characters,

frustration at Malli's closed vision, and anger at her "trainers", who themselves stayed clear of the action.

At the end, the girl's previously deadpan face shows doubt, indecision, and finally naked terror. Does she actually detonate the bomb? It's not 100% certain, but the release of tension doesn't disguise the fact that there can be no happy ending.

Though, tragically, this is an international theme, the other great player in the film is India itself. The feeling of the country was intense even to those of us who have never been there, and overwhelming to one of my companions who had lived there for some time. This was a remarkable film.

## What's On...

E-mail your listings to: [the-archer@lineone.net](mailto:the-archer@lineone.net)

### Saturday 6 October

• Coldfall Wood double clean-up: 11am either at top reed pool (with wellies) to tackle stream or at edge of field to litter-pick in wood. Organised by Friends of Coldfall Wood.

• An evening of music and laughter with *The Confections*, 7.45pm in St Mary's Parish Hall, 279 High Road. Tickets £8 and £7 (concessions) including light refreshments from 84440 2817 or at the door on the night.

### Sunday 7 October

• Barnet & Enfield Friends of the Earth Farmers' Market at the Sacred Heart School, 2 Oakleigh Park South, Whetstone N20 9JU, 10.30am to 1.30pm. Includes Caribbean cooking, locally made soaps and cosmetics from natural ingredients and plants, the Barnet Cyclists, Agenda 21, Barnet Freecycle and the London Wildlife Trust.

### Sunday 14 October and Sunday 11 November

• Green Artisan Farmers' Market at Martin Primary School, 10am - 2pm. Come along and support East Finchley's own market. Enquiries to Wayne Atkinson, [info@green-artisan.org.uk](mailto:info@green-artisan.org.uk) or 077 579 808 48. Further information at [www.green-artisan.org.uk](http://www.green-artisan.org.uk).

### Sunday 14 October

• Live music at East Finchley Methodist Church, High Road, 8pm; folk songs, madrigals and show tunes from Barnet Vocal Ensemble. Free admission with charity collection. Venue fully accessible to people with disabilities.

### Friday 19 - Sunday 21 October

Oktoberfest, weekend German beer, wine and sausage festival at the East Finchley Constitutional Club, The Walks. For programme, see [www.east-finchley.com](http://www.east-finchley.com).

### Wednesday 24 October

Stitch & Kvetch, bring your own stitching projects along or come and learn how to start one, whilst indulging in some good old-fashioned kvetching. Drop in any time from 8-11pm

£3, The Roebuck, 15 Pond Street, NW3 2PN.

### Thursday 25 October

The Truth about Dick Whittington, a talk to the Finchley Society, Avenue House, East End Road, 8pm. Entry for non members, £2.

### Tuesdays in October

Treehouse, a parent and toddler group organised by the Jewish Community Centre for London with live music, play and arts and crafts, 3pm-5pm on 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 October. £5/£7.50 family fee. Jewish Vegetarian Society, NW11. No need to book. 020 7431 9866. Tube: Golders Green (northern line).

### East Finchley Arts Festival - Wednesday 3 October - Sunday 14 October

**Music:** Thursday 4 October, 7.30pm, London Ripieno Society, Elgar in Miniature; Friday 5 October, 7.30pm, Songs of Enchantment, Emma Kirkby & The English Consort of Viols; Saturday 6 October, 12.30pm, Lunch Hour Recital, Jennifer Bate, Organ; Saturday 6 October, 7.30pm, London Mozart Players, Rimantas Vingras, Piano; Sunday 7 October, 7.30pm, Finchley Children's Music Group; Thursday 11 October, 7.30pm, Rivers of Babylon; Saturday 13 October, 12.30pm, Lunch Hour Recital, Patrick Naylor & Tim Robinson, Guitars; Saturday 13 October, 7.30pm, Fidelio Piano Quartet; Sunday 14 October, 7.30pm, London Vintage Jazz Orchestra. **Poetry:** Wednesday 10 October, 7.30pm, Fleur Adcock & Elaine Feinstein read from their work. **Drama:** Friday 12 October, 7.30pm, Bruce Purchase in *Johnson is Leaving*. **Children's events:** Tuesday 9 October, Recorder Day with Alan Davis at Martin Primary School; Sunday 14 October, 12.30pm, Children's Story Time with June Peters in church garden if fine but church hall if wet. **Art:** Exhibition by London and international artists in aid of the North London Hospice. Open during rehearsals, evening performances and weekends between 11am and 5pm. All events at All Saints Church, Durham Road, Box Office: Les Aldrich, 020 8883 5631 and Black Gull Books, 020 88897112

### What's on at artsdepot, North Finchley during October

Salsa big band, Bacalao, Saturday 6 October, 8pm; Raphael Bonachela Dance Company present Voices, Tuesday 9 October, 8pm; Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Wednesday 10 October, 7.30pm; An Evening with Rabbi Lionel Blue, Thursday 11 October, 8pm; Klezmer Swingers, Thursday 18 October, 8pm; It's Felix Dexter, Don't It, Friday 19 October, 8pm; Abram Wilson & The Delta Blues Project, Saturday 20 October, 8pm; Potted Potter - The Unauthorised Harry Experience - A parody by Dan & Jeff, Wednesday 24 - Sunday 28 October, 12pm & 3pm (autumn half term); Caught in a Rabbit's Headlights - Milton Jones, Thursday 25 October, 8pm; Jo Caulfield Goes to Hell, Saturday 3 November, 8pm. **Gallery Talks:** John Constable and Hampstead, Tuesday 9 October, 7pm; Rembrandt and the Dutch Republic, Tuesday 16 October, 7pm; British Modernists, Tuesday 23 October, 7pm; This Green and Pleasant Land, Tuesday 30 October, 7pm; Blake's Jerusalem, Tuesday 6 November, 7pm; The Jewish Contribution to Modern Art, Tuesday 13 November, 7pm.