

ARTISTS in ACTION

Jenny O'Leary

Jenny is a textile artist and tutor living and working near Oswestry, Shropshire. Her work is inspired by the landscape of Shropshire, its colours, patterns textures and shapes. Rolling landscapes, clumps of trees perched on hills, ploughed fields and the changing of the seasons. Through her textile art she aims to bring out feelings about what is around her rather than being a true representation of any one place.

She works predominately in batik (hot wax resist) on tissue paper and on fabric, often combining it with machine embroidery adding a drawn element to her work.

Jenny paints inks and dyes on to the surface and uses bleach to remove colour which adds another exciting dimension to the process. She is constantly exploring new ways of using the technique - collaging papers to batik onto; creating batik papers to collage with; stitching onto completed batiks; applying tissue to canvas to batik onto; creating books from her batiked papers.....

Current work is inspired by her travels. She has created panoramic landscape batiks and stitched zigzag books inspired by train journeys, watching the landscape change as it rushes by. She has recently been working on a series of tissue batiks based on trees.



Jenny offers talks, courses and workshops in Shropshire and around the UK.



Memberships:

The Shropshire Guild of Contemporary Crafts, The Embroiderers Guild and The Batik Guild

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