

# EVELYN BINNS

## *Botanical Watercolour Painting Holiday Courses*



### **Spring at Trewidden, Penzance, Cornwall**

*4 nights/3 days*

*Friday to Tuesday 23 - 27 March 2012 (only 1 place remaining)*

*or*

*Tuesday to Saturday 27 - 31 March 2012 (only 1 place remaining)*

# *Learn the secrets of lifelike botanical watercolour painting with award-winning artist Evelyn Binns in the comfort of one of West Cornwall's finest country houses and the splendour of its springtime gardens*

Imagine being able to spend three full days learning to improve your flower painting skills in the inspirational setting of one of Cornwall's finest country houses and gardens whilst enjoying comfortable full board accommodation and cordon bleu cuisine. These exclusive residential painting holiday courses offer just that - and the opportunity to discover some of the techniques and tips that have helped Evelyn become one of the country's most admired botanical watercolourists.



Trewidden and its extensive fascinating gardens ablaze with magnolia and rhododendron in Spring lie just 2 miles inland from Penzance in an idyllic setting with distant views over Mount's Bay. Owned by the Bolitho family, the house not only possesses the perfect atmosphere for painting, but also provides superb country house comfort and elegance.

Each course member is accommodated in their own double- or twin-bedded room with en-suite facilities or adjacent bathroom. Non-painting partners or companions are therefore also most welcome at a reduced full board-only supplement.



## *One-to-one tuition for every course member*

Limited to a maximum of six painters per course, everyone – whether novice, intermediate or accomplished – receives in-depth one-to-one tuition. Evelyn works with each individual in turn, giving advice and practical demonstration on whatever is needed:

- *Good composition* ● *Observation and botanical accuracy*
- *Lifelike drawing* ● *Achieving three-dimensionality*
- *Confidence in using colour* ● *Layering techniques*

## *Programme*

**Friday 23 or Tuesday 27 March**

5.00pm - Arrival

6.30pm - Welcome reception

7.00pm - Dinner

**Saturday 24 or Wednesday 28 March**

8.30am - Breakfast

9.30am - Introduction, garden tour and subject selection

11.00am - Coffee

11.30am - Painting/personal tuition

1.00pm - Buffet luncheon

2.00pm to 5.00pm - Painting / personal tuition (Tea 3.30pm)

7.00pm - Dinner

**Sun 24 & Mon 25 or Thurs 29 & Fri 30 March**

8.30am - Breakfast

9.30am to 1.00pm - Painting/personal tuition (Coffee 11.00)

1.00pm - Buffet luncheon

2.00pm to 5.00pm - Painting/personal tuition (Tea 3.30pm)

7.00pm - Dinner

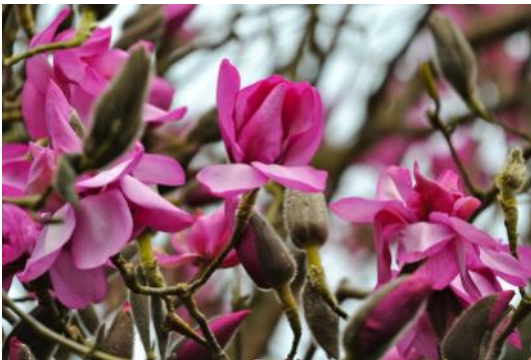
**Tuesday 27 or Saturday 31 March**

8.30am - Breakfast

10.00am - Depart

## *Cordon bleu cuisine*

The holiday course fee covers all meals and refreshments including full English breakfast, morning coffee, buffet luncheon, afternoon tea and three-course dinner with wine. Lunches and dinners are prepared by ex-restaurateur Jane Meredew using the finest fresh Cornish produce. Special dietary requirements can be accommodated.



## About the tutor

Evelyn Binns is a self-taught botanical watercolour artist with an established international reputation for fine artistic quality and precise botanical accuracy.

Painted at actual size, almost always from living specimens, her subjects range enormously: from native wild flowers to rain forest exotics; from cottage garden favourites to hothouse hybrids; from fungi to fruit and vegetables.

Evelyn has been awarded no fewer than seven RHS Gold Medals, has taught at the V&A, and is a regular exhibitor at the Chelsea Flower Show. Her watercolour originals are much in demand and are bought or commissioned by collectors worldwide. Her work can be found in the collections of the RHS Lindley Library, the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, Dr Shirley Sherwood, the Highgrove Florilegium and members of the Royal family.

Evelyn's work has also been commissioned by leading fashion designer, Stella McCartney for one of her ready-to-wear collections.



## Holiday Course fees

Prices per person based on single occupancy of a double or twin-bed room, including 3 days' tuition, all materials, equipment and 4 nights' full board accommodation:

Kingsize double with en-suite bath and separate WC	£765
Kingsize double with adjacent private bathroom	£750
Large twin (4' beds) with washbasin and adjacent bathroom shared with one other room	£740
Standard twin with washbasin and adjacent bathroom shared with one other room	£735
Standard twin with adjacent bathroom shared with one other room	£725

*Choice subject to availability at time of booking*

Non-painting partners sharing a room are also welcome at a reduced full board supplement of **£395**.

A non-refundable deposit of 20% of the holiday course price is required at time of booking, payable by internet banking, cheque or credit/debit card. The balance is due 28 days prior to the course.

Unfortunately, no refunds for cancellation can be made after this date.

## Travelling to Trewidden

Trewidden is 2 miles from Penzance which can be reached by fast road via M4/M6, M5 and A30 or via one of Britain's most scenic rail journeys which serves Penzance from London Paddington in 5 hours. Complimentary station transfers are provided.

Alternatively, you can fly to Newquay, some 40 miles away, from London Gatwick, Manchester and other airports according to season. Transfers by taxi can be arranged at course members' own cost.

## How to book

For more information, or to reserve a place on either holiday course:

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