

# News from the Studio



Dispatches from the strange world of Papier Mâché Patty

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## More Glue-y Oddities...

Papier mâché-wise, it's been a busy couple of months. I find myself with a tight deadline for posting a sausage dog to New York (and how often, in the history of civilization, has anyone needed to write that sentence?) and I'm also working on my very first narrow boat! The latter has been a challenge. In fact, coming up with a technique for the window frames has had me seriously questioning my life choices. But it's now coming together nicely. Updates of both this and the sausage dog in your next eagerly-anticipated (?) issue...



[www.pattycallaghan.com](http://www.pattycallaghan.com)

It's been a while in the making but my shiny new website is now up and running! I don't want him to get big-headed but Martin, who designed it and does all the clever technical stuff, has done a great job. Don't tell him I said so though. Finally, all my stuff is in one place so, whether you want to buy some papier mâché, sign up for a course or do a bit of life drawing, this is where you can get it all sorted. Just click [HERE!!](#) Makes me feel really organised...

*I would love to claim these Fantastic Beasts as my own but they are all the work of the talented students of Beech Hall School. I ran a 2-day workshop with them in July as part of their enrichment week. They worked really hard and produced animals with such character and movement - I was blown away! Get in touch if your school would like to do something similar.*



My sketchbook has only had a few outings so far this summer. Hoping to remedy that on our holiday next week but here's a few drawings from the last couple of months, from Biddulph Grange, Redesmere and a highly-recommended café in Tideswell!





## Fun in the Sun!!

You may remember we had a mini heatwave at the end of April. It coincided with a Life Drawing session I did at a holiday let. As the property had a secluded garden they asked if we could work outside. Well what a splendid idea it turned out to be.

Good job Simon had plenty of sun block... If you'd like to book a session as part of your get-away-from-it-all break just get in touch. Can't promise it will be outdoors though!

My regular classes at All Saints are now on their summer break. We do have a group work on show at [All Saints Summer Craft Exhibition](#) on Saturday 20 August from 12 noon. Classes will resume in September, on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings - you can come to whichever suits you (mix and match if you like!) If you're thinking of joining us then, or would like to know more, get in touch using any of the means below or visit the [website](#).

It's funny how things come in waves. In the last few months it's been all about cats and robins. Better not get them too close to each other. The robins were a bit of a word-of-mouth thing - someone sees one that you've done and decides to order one for themselves. Not sure with the cats though. This pair (the delightfully



named Austin and less-original Ginger) were commissioned by a regular customer in memory of family pets. If you fancy ordering something yourself (doesn't even have to be a cat or a robin!) get in touch or visit my [Folksy](#) shop.



### **And Finally...**

After 36 years, Me and Him finally made it official on 25 June. We had a lovely do and it was so nice to share it with family and friends. Thank you to everyone for all their good wishes and kindness.



## Stay in touch...



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