

## Time to be creative in the new year?

Discover your creativity at The Stani Studios

**T**he Stani Studios in Stony Stratford offers a wide range of art classes during the day and evenings. Suitable for both beginners and those more experienced, all classes are limited to a maximum of only six students so you get all the help you need. Many classes begin in January. See the website [www.stanistudios.co.uk](http://www.stanistudios.co.uk) for further details and how to book.

And for something a little lighter, why not try...

### CreativiTea!

Enjoy a 1.5 hr class at The Stani Studios followed by Tea and Scones (or Coffee or Cake!) at The Stani Art House [www.fine-art-milton-keynes.co.uk](http://www.fine-art-milton-keynes.co.uk) A relaxed and fun learning experience from 2-4pm on the last Sunday of the month. Great for groups of family, friends or colleagues from 4-10 people. Choose from the following classes and either book online or call us on 01908 307878 for an all inclusive cost of £25 per person.

Card Making: Sunday 26th January  
Jewellery: Sunday 23rd February  
Polymer Clay Gifts: Sunday 30th March  
Creative Drawing: Sunday 27th April



Tea To A Fine Art

### POLYMER CLAY

**Art & Craft  
DAY &  
EVENING  
CLASSES  
START SOON**

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*The Stani Studios*

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JEWELLERY + STAINED GLASS + IPAD

PAINTING + POTTERY + CARD MAKING

CREATIVE DRAWING

## The art of golf

**W**hat better way to celebrate the winners of Golf's British Open Championship at Muirfield than to produce portraits of them?

That's what Aine Divine, the Scotland-based artist has done. She has produced portraits of: Ernie Els, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Lee Trevino, Tom Watson and Nick Faldo.

"Ernie Els bought my portrait of him," reveals Aine, who lives in Midlothian.

Her work is featured in the book *Greywalls - A Hidden Gem* published by Gullane Art Gallery.

"While I have always loved painting and drawing people, no matter what I'm painting it's the light that interests me," says



TOP: ERNIE ELS  
LEFT: NICK FALDO  
BELOW: LEE TREVINO

Aine. "At the moment I am working on a series of still life oil paintings. I set these up in the kitchen because I love the cerulean blue colour of the wall and the constant natural light there through the day. I want the colours to be as vibrant as they are in real life and the painted marks to have clarity and a life of their own."

Aine hails from County Cork. On moving to Scotland Aine was chosen as one of the portrait artists to paint Dr Mo Mowlam on the BBC's Star Portraits television programme. Mo chose Aine's painting as the one she wanted to keep.

She graduated from the Crawford College of Art and Design in 1991 and in 1994 and 1995 did the teaching course there. A selection of her portraits were shortlisted for exhibition in the Irish National Portrait Awards three years in a row, and her oil portrait of J. Russell was an award winner in the third year. ■

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