



THE SETTLE-CARLISLE RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY
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All Welcome at Appleby Station Art Day

Appleby station will host a free drawing and photography event on Sunday 2nd November.

The day is open to people of all ages and levels of experience. Everybody will be encouraged to try their hand at creating art inspired by the railway and its surroundings.

Anne Ridley, of the Settle Carlisle Railway Development Company, and based at Appleby station said:
"We are really lucky to have the involvement of two talented professional artists who are so keen to inspire others to have a go too"

The drawing event will be hosted by Sarah Hutton as part of one of the regular pop up studios which she has been holding at all the stations on the Settle-Carlisle line. Sarah is a professional artist who works in a variety of media. She is engaged in a project exploring the Settle-Carlisle railway and will spend her time at Appleby capturing her impressions of the station and its surroundings in the form of graphite sketches. She will be on hand from just after 11:00 when anybody who is interested in learning about Sarah's project is invited to come along for tea and a chat – and have a go at drawing too.

Meanwhile, Simon Whalley will be focussing on photography. Simon's studio is at Brougham Hall, and his book 'Spirit of the Line' was launched earlier this year to coincide with the railway's 25th anniversary celebrations. It is a study of the line, its landscape setting and the people. Simon's free photography workshop will run between 11:00 and 13:00, and he will be available for book signing until 15:00. No experience or expertise is required to take part in the workshop – all you need is a camera. To view Simon's work, visit www.simonwhalley.org.

The artists hope that this event will inspire more people to engage with art and view the railway from a completely new angle.

Light refreshments will be available at the station throughout the day.

Photo 1: Sarah Hutton at a recent pop up studio

Photo 2: Simon Whalley, photographer

Editor's Notes:

The Settle-Carlisle Railway Development Company is a not-for-profit organisation which works to promote the Settle-Carlisle Railway. It works with the Train Operating Company to improve the service to rail passengers.

More information about the railway can be found at www.settle-carlisle.co.uk

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