

# Drawing closer to God



The Invitation by Petrina Kent

## Exploring art in worship and theology

An online course devised by Sarah Middleton  
Six weeks from 21st January 2019

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This is a new course for all who are interested in exploring mainly contemporary art from a variety of sources including the prestigious Methodist Modern Art Collection. The course writer is Sarah Middleton, a freelance arts educator, Methodist Local Preacher and co-author of the ecumenically-produced *Creative Spirit* DVD resource.

This course is for you if you are:

- ◆ wanting to reflect on visual art that can enhance our prayers and services of worship.
- ◆ looking to develop skills in interpreting works of art in the context of doing theology.
- ◆ a church leader seeking opportunities to work with or commission practising artists.

We will look at:

- ◆ what is meant by so-called 'Christian art'.
- ◆ using images effectively, respecting good practice in reproducing them.
- ◆ Cubist, Expressionist and Indian influences through a painter in the Methodist Modern Art Collection, and a drawing by renowned English artist Sir Stanley Spencer.
- ◆ carved wood and mixed media work inspired by global events, the natural landscape and New Testament narrative, with a focus on the passion and resurrection of Jesus.

### Course Tutor

**Sarah Middleton MA (Arts & Cultural Management)**

Sarah has worked for many years in the field of arts, mission and adult education, most recently as a Methodist Regional Learning Officer and Connexional Consultant. Her MA dissertation focused on the cultural value of the Methodist Modern Art Collection in 21st century Britain. She is a member of the Collection's Management Committee and has led ecumenical study days in connection with exhibitions and the themes of this course.



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**Online course, six weeks from 21st January 2019.**

The course will require approximately four hours study a week.

Cost: £175

Course booking: [drawingcloser.eventbrite.co.uk](http://drawingcloser.eventbrite.co.uk)



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