



# GALA EXHIBITION AWARDS JUDGE



**UK Coloured  
Pencil Society**  
The Core of Creativity

The UKCPS is holding their 20th Anniversary gala exhibition this year at the Oxo Bargehouse and we are delighted that AdebANJI Alade has agreed to be our awards judge. He has welcomed our approach and is looking forward to seeing our work at the Oxo Bargehouse exhibition, preview and awards evening.



AdebANJI is currently vice president of the Royal Institute of Oil Painters, and his mission in life is to inspire, motivate and entertain. He works mainly in oils, but also uses other mediums, including graphite pencil in his sketching, and coloured pencils. His strong point in his pictures is his love of mood and movement, bringing a lively sketchy feel to his artwork. There is also a focus on people within his pictures as well as a play on light. He is also inspired by local and historical buildings.

You may have seen him as the artist in residence on the BBC's The One Show. AdebANJI has appeared many times on the show and made inspirational documentaries visiting various locations, including Coventry Cathedral and Leicester, where he sketched the local people. He has also made many sketches on the London Underground, and calls himself 'The Addictive Sketcher'.

I hope you all agree with me that AdebANJI will bring a freshness and professionalism to our anniversary year exhibition.