

Hello fellow art and heritage enthusiasts,  
It has been another busy month for Art with a Heart with more than 2,200 visitors to the Trafford Schools Open. Thank you to Graham Brady, MP for Altrincham and Sale West for presenting the various awards to the students during the award ceremony. We also had the pleasure of welcoming Councillor Matthew Sephton who was equally impressed by the standard and quality of work on show.

We had the pleasure this month in hosting Altrincham's first Santa's Art Grotto, courtesy of Altrincham Rotary as well as being the designated drop off point for the Salvation Army Toy Appeal.

Our current exhibition is 12 Artists of Christmas, with their interpretation of the theme in their media of choice, followed by 'Go Figure' and 'Draw your own Conclusions' in January. There will be a number of free workshops including a life drawing activity on 17th January.

-Editorial



### **Trafford Schools Open 2014 Awards**

Well done to the students who participated and were selected to exhibit their work in the Trafford Schools Open. Thank you to the 294 visitors who voted for their visitors choice. The winners of these awards were:

**Visitors Choice First:** Jack Pegg

**Visitors Choice Second:** Catherine Wilson

**Visitors Choice Third:** Lily Jacobs

With only five votes separating first and third place.

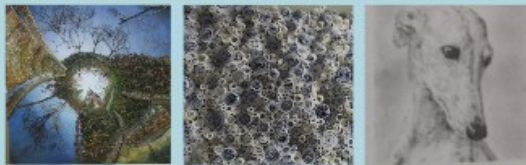
Other award winners were:

**Traditional Award:** Ravail Khan

**Alternative Media Award:** Maddie Dynevor

**Inspired by Regeneration Award:** Daniel Cartwright

**School Award:** Altrincham Grammar School for Girls



*Visitors choice winners*

Thank you once again our sponsors Best Western Cresta Court Hotel, Watling Gate Restoration Group, Stamford Quarter and HobbyCraft who sponsored the 2014 awards.

If you are interested in sponsoring the 2015 awards please contact [karen@artwithaheart.org.uk](mailto:karen@artwithaheart.org.uk)

### **12 Artists of Christmas**

This months exhibition is full of the festive spirit with not one but twelve local artists with their take on the '12 days of Christmas'. Each artists was given one of the twelve days and asked to create a piece on this theme in their own style and media. There is also a separate showcase of the artist's work in the lower gallery.

We will be updating our heritage area with 12 faces of Altrincham, including video footage of Sir William (Bill) Speakman V.C and various other local people. The display will continue throughout January.

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# Local News and Upcoming Events



Snapshot of the workshop

## Workshops

With more than 500 visitors who attended our Lantern Making workshop and our Santa's Grotto on the 22nd November, it was our busiest event to date. Thank you to our volunteers Sharon Robertson and Adina-Paula for running the workshop.

Our next workshop will be on the 13th December, it is a double event with a Quilling workshop run by local artist Paula Sandham and Bauble painting activity with Bex Wild and Adina-Paula. Please bring old baubles for a makeover. Both events are free, drop in sessions from 11am-3pm. We will continue the Bauble activity on the 20th December.

## Artist Trading Cards

Artist Trading Cards with Anita Mistry will resume again in the New Year. We still have a display of cards in the gallery. Visit our website for up-to-date information on the next event.

## Santa Claus came to town

Working with Altrincham Rotary, Art with a Heart created a Santa's Grotto, just in time for Santa Claus to arrive on 22nd, 29th Nov and 6th Dec. Many thanks to the team at the Rotary for their enthusiasm and engagement with the public and to all those who donated to the Rotary's cause raising money for heart defibrillators. We were also the drop off point for the Trafford Salvation Army Toy Appeal and would like to thank all the members of the public who kindly donated toys.



Altrincham Rotary Santa Claus and Art with a Heart Volunteers: Hamdia, Adina-Paula and Sana Naik

## Dates for your Diaries

### December

13 Quilling and Bauble Workshop

22 Art with a Heart closes for Christmas

### January

8 Art with a Heart reopens

14 Draw your own Conclusions and Go figure Begin

17 Life Drawing Workshop

## Call for Artists

We are seeking Artist who specialise in the medium of drawing or create work on the theme of figurative. Free to enter. Email three images and a statement to [contact@artwithaheart.org.uk](mailto:contact@artwithaheart.org.uk) Please see our website for more details: [artwithaheart.org.uk/lifedrawing](http://artwithaheart.org.uk/lifedrawing)

## Things to See this Month

**Akram Khan: One side to the Other**

6th December-1 February  
The Lowry, Salford Quays

**Enlighten Manchester**

11th-14th December  
Piccadilly Gardens Manchester

**On the Fold**

12 December-29th January  
Portico Library and Gallery, Manchester

## Call for Volunteers:

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to join our team Interested? Email [contact@artwithaheart.org.uk](mailto:contact@artwithaheart.org.uk)