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Hello fellow art and heritage enthusiasts,

Thank you to everyone who came along to Altrincham Community Team's bake sale. We managed to raise £375.19 towards Altrincham in Bloom projects. Thank you to the Stamford Quarter for hosting the bake sale and to our volunteers Sharon and Keith who contributed by baking the delicious treats and all the other contributors. The next event will be a Plant sale on the 16th May and we are seeking donations so please make sure you plant your seeds now.

Come and join me at Altrincham Interchange on March 20th between 10-4pm where we are going to transform the land at the end of platform one, a Mid-Cheshire Rail Partnership Project. For more information please contact Sally Buttifant: Sally.Buttifant@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

Art with a Heart needs your vote to help raise funds for our Free Creative Area in the Arts and Heritage Centre. Galaxy Hot Chocolate are offering £300 to various charity organisations. We would use the money to host a wider variety in workshops and materials for our creative area. Please go to http://www.galaxyhotchocolate.com and search 'Art with a Heart'. Once you have votes, you will receive an email to validate your vote. Your support is appreciated and all votes need to be registered by 22nd Feb

Building on the success of last year Sale Arts Trail are currently seeking participants to take part in this year's event. Deadline 16th March. Please see their website saleartstrail.com for more details.

-Editorial

Local Art groups and Societies

One of the many questions we get asked at the centre is "Do you know of any local art groups or societies that I can get involved with?' The answer is 'Yes'; there are actually numerous art groups within the Trafford Area and we want to highlight just a few that may be of interest For example: Altrinchams Embroiders Guild, Altrincham Society of Artists, Altrincham Video Club, ArtsXtra, Bowdon Fine Art, Lymm Artist Group, Northern Potters Associations, Sale Photography, Stockport Art Guild, Textile21, Trafford Art Group, U3A

These are some of the ones we have heard of. If you know of any others please let us know.

Healthy Art Workshop

Thank you to everyone who attended our Healthy Art workshop as part of Altrincham Healthy Living Festival on Valentines Day. We had a record breaking 872 visitors who attended the event and many wonderful hearts were made whilst helping to raise awareness of healthy living.

Our next workshop will be a water themed workshop to coincide with our March exhibition H2O. Details to be announced soon.



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Local News and Upcoming Events

Coming next month.....

Our next exhibition is H2O; A water themed exhibition. Coinciding with World Water Day on 22nd March, our aim is to present a broad spectrum of artwork, information and concepts that fall under a thematic umbrella offering visitors a compelling discourse about Water.

Our Heritage area will also be updated to feature a display about the Waterways of Trafford, with images from local enthusiasts. We will also be inviting guest speaker Mr J. E Charnock on the 28th March to give a presentation using images from his own collection.

Curators Choice: Reassembling the Self

This month I would like to recommend "Reassembling the self" at Sale Waterside Arts Centre, featuring the work of Susan Aldworth, Camille Ormston and Kevin Mitchinson. If you have enjoyed our Figurative exhibition or want to see something a bit different then this exhibition is for you. Exploring the inner workings of the body, the artwork takes us on a journey into the fragmented world of Schizophrenia. The exhibition as a whole explores the very notion of a human identity, the sense of self and how it holds itself together. It is on until the 30th May and I would recommend this to anyone with an interest in Art and Science.

<u>Dates for your Diaries</u> <u>March</u>

- 4 H2O exhibition begins
- Mid Cheshire community rail partnership: gardening
- Community Clear Up day organised by Our Altrincham
- (22) World Water Day
- 25 Altrincham and Bowdon Civic Society at AWAH
- 28 Guest Speaker event: Trafford's Waterways

Things to See

Scarecrow Festival Tatton Park

Until 22th February

Chinese New Year Manchester Until 22nd February

Form and Line

Portico Library and Gallery Until 30th March

Made in Eccles

People's History Museum Until 19th April



Open Call: POP

We are seeking artists creating work on the theme of 'POP'; from Pop art to Pop Culture. We are seeking interpretations that uphold the rebellious yet playful nature of Pop Art. Artists can enter by submitting up to three artworks and a detailed description to contact@artwithaheart.org.uk. Deadline 19th April.

Artist Trading Cards

There is still time to enter our ATC exhibition and event this month on the theme of **Water and Reflections.** Full details can be found on our facebook page and website. It is free to enter and each card MUST measure 2.5 inches by 3.5 inches. Call in to see our current collection.



Call for Volunteers:

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to join our team: particularly on a Wednesday or Thursday. Interested? Email contact@artwithaheart.org.uk or call in for a volunteer form.