

Hello fellow art and heritage enthusiasts,

This month has been a busy one, with the start of our vintage teas and multiple other events; including a visit from Bollin Primary School in which we hosted a talk and art-based activity for all pupils involved. Our art filled month continues with the Summer Art exhibition by Altrincham Grammar School for Girls which I will be visiting next week to see the creative talent of last years Trafford School Open students. We are also launching our *Schools Trading Cards* programme next month so stay tuned for more details.

We have also managed to gain some funding from IBM to assist towards the development of our volunteer programme, including a series of workshops on marketing and brand management for volunteers, so now is a good time to think about volunteering at Art with a Heart.

In July our annual exhibition the **Altrincham Open 2015** begins. This years theme is Birds, Bees and Butterflies in support of Altrincham in Bloom, with the North West in Bloom Judges choice award on offer to all artists involved. There will also be some wonderful art displays around Altrincham, including the shoebox gardens made at our workshops and by local artists, accreditation display and a display based on Birds, Bees and Butterflies designed and created by volunteer Sharon Robertson.

We have also had our first international review on TripAdvisor. If you have visited recently why not write one of your own

-Editorial



Mother Knows Best

Vintage Teas are not a new idea, but at Art with a Heart we like to add something extra. As well as hosting a Vintage tea aimed at the elderly and socially isolated there will be an oral history component for the students. The anticipated outcome is reduced social isolation of the elderly by encouraging them to visit the Centre; and improved employability of the young adults through skills development.

The events continue through June till August in Art with a Heart. Places are limited to 30 guests per event, therefore in order to manage numbers we need to know in advance the names of the individual who are interested in attending the event. If you would like to attend one of our vintage teas or know someone who would, please email contact@artwithaheart.org.uk or sign up at Art with a Heart.

Art with a Heart ran it's first Vintage Tea on the 24th May and it was well received by the local community and those who attended. Many thanks to The Roebuck for sponsoring the event by providing a vast selection of catering goodies for our first event. We are seeking additional sponsors for our future Vintage Teas.

We are still seeking local students to participate in our oral history project. All students will be briefed on the project, receive training on the equipment and full guidance on the activity. All participants will receive a Certificate of Participation for their involvement. If you are interested or know a student who would be, please email contact@artwithaheart.org.uk.



Vintage tea dates.

May - 24

June - 14, 21, 28

July - 05, 12, 19, 26

August - 02, 09, 16, 23



Local News and Upcoming Events

Things to See

One year on

6th June - 29th September
Sale Waterside Arts Centre
Winners of Waterside Open 2014

AGGS Summer Art Exhibition

22nd-26th June
Altrincham Girls Grammar
School's A Level Exhibition

Timperley Civic Society 's Open Day

20th June, 10am to 4pm.
Village Club in Timperley

Sale Arts Trail

10th- 12th July
Open studios in various locations

Manifest Arts

10-12th July
Manchester's new art festival.

Talks and Workshops

Thank you to all those who attended the Heritage talk on the Bridgewater Canal with guest speaker Tom Everett from the *Friends of the Bridgewater Canal*. It was a wonderfully informative talk, heightened by Mr Everett taking on the persona of the Duke of Bridgewater.



Last Saturday some wonderful shoebox gardens were made as part of Altrincham in Bloom. Thank you to Kate Davidson, Head of Art at a Bolton, for assisting with the workshop. Kate has also been working with Oldfield Brow school and we look forward to seeing the collection of gardens made her pupils. We are still seeking more artistic box gardens and will be continuing the activity this Saturday. All creations will become part of a big art display in July. Please get in touch for more details contact@artwithaheart.org.uk

Call for Artists

Art with a Heart are seeking entries for our August exhibition **Transport and Industry**. Artwork can be in any medium and up to three pieces can be entered. This exhibition is Free to enter but donations are welcome. Apply online now. or call in to pick up a form.

We are also looking for artefacts, memorabilia and objects relating to Transport and Industry, particularly from around the Altrincham Area to accompany our exhibition. Please email contact@artwithaheart.org.uk

Dates for your Diaries

June

- 21 Vintage Tea *Mother knows best* at Art with a Heart. Invite Only
- 28 Vintage Tea *Mother knows best* at Art with a Heart. Invite Only

- 24 Altrincham and Bowdon Civic society drop in session 2-4pm

July

- 1 Altrincham Open 2015 begins

Become a Friend

Did you know that Art with a Heart have a Become a Friend Scheme? Please call in for more details or email contact@artwithaheart.org.uk .

Become a Volunteer

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



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