



# Newsletter Issue 08 October 2014

Hello fellow art and heritage enthusiasts, by the time you read this, I have be recovered from the Cardiff Half-Marathon.

This month the gallery has been taken over by the supernatural with *The Metaphysical* exhibition exploring the surreal and the Uncanny. In addition we have some frightful fun for all the family, with weekly spooky activities and two workshops at Art with a Heart in time for Halloween.

We are also celebrating our anniversary of one year of external exhibitions within the old New Look Unit, next to Rackhams. As part of the celebrations we will be updating the display to celebrate the winning School of last year's Trafford Schools Open. We will also be transforming the interior of this unit into a Halloween Haunted Cemetery as part of this years **SpookyWoo Spectacular** with Altrincham Community Team (ACT)

Next month we look towards the Trafford Schools Open We will be pursuing our Vintage Tea event with the funding we received from Thrive in which we will be working with the youth and the socially isolated on our oral history project 'Mother Knows Best'.

In December Santas Clause is coming to town at the gallery in collaboration with Altrincham Rotary. We will also be one of the drop off points for new toy and food appeal for the Salvation Army in Trafford.

Editorial



Image from last years Trafford Schools Open with Councellor Dylan Butt

Coinciding with the Trafford Schools Open, we are collaborating with the Best western Cresta Court Hotel to host a free Careers fair aimed at students interested in a career in the arts.

Many thanks to the Cresta Court for sponsoring the Trafford Schools Award.

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Cresta Court
Hotel

The Trafford schools Open is approaching, and we have received a variety of great work so far.

Every year there are a number of awards to be won as part of this exhibition. The Visitors choice awards are chosen by the public through a system of anonymous voting during the exhibition period. Your vote is crucial so please do come along and pick your favourite.

This years 'Inspired by.....' theme is Regeneration. As Altrincham is in a period of change with the improvement works to the Market, Interchange and Hospital, we want the students to consider what Regeneration means to them and tailor the theme to their own unique style. Many thanks to Watling Gate for their sponsorship of this particular award.

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# Local News and Upcoming Events

# ACT Presents: SpookyWoo Spectacular

Altrincham's Halloween event.

Enter if you dare! We will thrill you to the bone and send your spirit soaring. Feast at the graveyard grill, marvel at our magical stage acts, create your own horrors.

Date: 31st October Time: 12-7pm Price: 50p admission

Location: Next to Rackhams



## Dates for your Diaries

#### October



'Get Animated': free animation workshop with Matt George



'Doll Face', free recycled doll making workshop with Enya Koster.



SpookyWoo Spectacular Halloween event in the old New Look Unit next to Rackhams.. 50p Entry

#### November



11am

Altrincham Ghost Tour with Manchester Blue Badge Guides. Tickets £10



Trafford School Open 2014 begins

## Call for Volunteers:

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to join our team Interested? Email contact@artwithaheart.org.uk

### Heritage Update and Watling Gate

The Heritage of the Altrincham area display is currently showcasing a popular feature on Budenberg Gauge Company, in addition to artefacts from South Trafford Archeological Group and maps of the Altrincham area from 1876. We have also reinstalled the Altrincham Interchange and have a selection of books for your enjoyment.

For November we will be updating this area with an exhibition on Watling Gate; early twentieth century Arts and Crafts house based in Timperley that has fallen into disrepair. The Watling Gate Restoration Group are campaigning to save this historic building. This display is to help to raise the awareness of their cause.

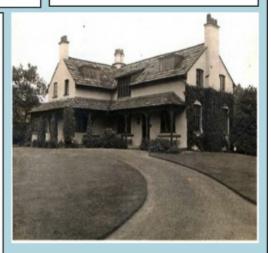


Image above: How Watling Gate used to look

# Things to See this Month

Altrincham Society of Artists Autumn Exhibition

Altrincham College of Arts 26th October - 31st October

Manchester Science Festival Multiple Venues, Manchester 24th October-3rd November

LifeDrawingBL6

The Gallery at St Georges House, Bolton Opens 1st November

**Everyday Illusions** 

Paper Gallery, Manchester 8th November-13th December [Dis] Order: a Compulsion to collect

Holden Gallery, MMU 27th October-12th December

#### **Playtime**

Cornerhouse, Manchester 22nd November-15th March