



Press Release

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Mayday Trust Pottery Exhibition

Artistic residents from Rugby charity Mayday Trust have recently taken part in a six-week pottery workshop with local artist Dorothy Crowe. An exhibition of their work will be held on Thursday 29th June at the Benn Partnership Centre, Railway Terrace Rugby.

Mayday Trust is a local registered charity, which provides temporary supported accommodation and life-skills training for vulnerable adults. The Trust was set-up in 1979 and now houses 216 temporary residents in eight Projects across Warwickshire, Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire.

The Trust operates two Schemes in Rugby. The first known as *The Rugby Project* opened in 1984, supporting anyone who finds it difficult to manage with day-to-day living. The Project, based at Ashwood Court, also has an annexe in Lower Hillmorton Road. The second Scheme, *Future tracks*, opened in 1986, and supports adults with learning difficulties and epilepsy towards independence.

Residents from both Rugby Schemes took part in the workshops and have created a wide variety of work. Particularly noteworthy is a 16" pot built to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the *Future tracks* Scheme.

Mayday Trust's Chairman, Chris Holman said: "A key focus of life at Mayday Trust is to provide new opportunities for our clients. Art sessions such as these are an excellent opportunity for residents to learn new skills and widen their horizons.

"I really am impressed with all the pottery on display – in particular the 20th Anniversary Pot – and would like to congratulate everyone who has taken part for their tremendous achievement."

Rugby Mayor Councillor Tina Avis will present certificates to the participants at 1.45pm before formerly opening the event. Light refreshments will also be served.

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