

Art on Wheels

This programme involved work with independent older people meeting in groups. It aimed to:

- Bring arts activities to the groups: visual arts, creative writing, music, photography, video, drama, new media etc.
- 28 individual programmes were run, involving 507 participants, totalling at 600 hours of activity, achieving original targets. Most work was visual arts based, due mainly to a lack of visual arts programmes already existing for this market. There was an average of 15 participants per group



- Everyone on the project gained – the participants through social and creative stimulation; the carers developed skills and were able to bond with the group differently (more relaxed) because they were not responsible for the activities, and they learned new activities; the participants' families gained (for example the 'Major's' family commented that he doesn't stop smiling and singing after the sessions.)

Artist, Lillian Faithful Day Centre



From mono-printing to mosaic, sand-cast sculptures to singing, a wealth of workshops have been enjoyed by groups of older people who meet independently.

Over the county of Gloucestershire, in neighbourhood projects, village halls and day centres, local artists have introduced new skills and techniques and inspired participants to produce a huge variety of work. New Horizons worked with eighteen partners and enabled over 400 older people to enjoy 'Art on Wheels'



"We couldn't put a price on the value of the project; it has been very good for morale. An amazing project, hugely successful"

