

## JANUARY PROGRAMME

We hope to see you at some of our creative arts events. For **details/help with lifts** please see notes & contact details on the back page.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**  
**Happy New Year**

**No groups today**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Creative Writing** group  
Creative Space – **John Byatt** (3)  
**Mural using local myths & legends**

**55/57 Queens Drive**  
10.30am - 12.30pm  
1.30 – 3.30pm

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Creative Writing** group  
Creative Space – **felt decorations**  
with **Kirsty Smith**, felt-maker

**55/57 Queens Drive**  
10.30am - 12.30pm  
1.30 – 3.30pm

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Experimental Arts - DIY**

**55/57 Queens Drive**  
10.30am – 12.30pm

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Creative Writing** group  
**New Year Party:**  
A viewing of DVD **'Going with the Flow'** with party nibbles & chat

**55/57 Queens Drive**  
10.30am - 12.30pm  
1.30 – 3.30pm

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Experimental Arts - DIY**

**55/57 Queens Drive**  
10.30am – 12.30pm

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January**  
**Creative Writing** group  
**Feedback session** (over lunch)  
Creative Space – **John Byatt** (4) (t.b.c.)  
**Mural using local myths & legends**

**55/57 Queens Drive**  
10.30am - 12.30pm  
12.45pm – 1.15pm  
1.30 – 3.30pm

### Christmas lunch

Following the tradition of past years, a cross-section of BV regulars, friends and trustees met at Tittesworth for pre-Christmas lunch.

Yet again, Sheena shouldered the organisation (thanks, Sheena) & all enjoyed lovely food & great company – a suitable way to start the seasonal festivities.



### Myths and Legends

Artist John Byatt who is new to BV specialises in large scale, representational murals. After discussing ideas, the Expressive Art group is creating a relatively small mural on canvas, inspired by the rich myths & legends of the Peak District. We'll then look for a venue to display the finished work.



### Christmas wreaths

By popular request, willow artist Rachel Evans helped a carers' support group make festive wreaths. I hope that Rachel will be back to work with BV on a sculpture project in 2012.



### Impact

The latest, seasonal, issue of the Writers' quarterly anthology has just arrived in cafés & library. The Nicholson Gallery specifically requested it, too.

## JANUARY PROGRAMME DETAILS



**Park Art** – the view from Haregate; supported by the Peak District Sustainable Development Fund.  
January 2011 – spring 2012

**A Breath of Fresh Air.** On behalf of Big Lottery, funded by Ecominds to involve people with experience of mental distress in environmental projects to improve both mental wellbeing & the local community.

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**Pam Sandiford** facilitates **Creative Writing** (Tuesday morning); this very supportive group welcomes anyone interested in words.

Tuesday p.m. **Creative Space** is a chance to experiment. **John Byatt** will continue leading us through the process of creating a **mural on canvas**, inspired by local myths and legends. Felt maker **Kirsty Smith** so much enjoyed working with us in the Dove Valley that she's offered to come back and lead a free session this month.

The **New Year Party** is an opportunity to watch the DVD of **'Going with the Flow'** (based on all that work about the Churnet) over festive nibbles and a chat.

During **Experimental Arts** sessions, all the facilities at BV are available to anyone who wants to come along and pursue their own artwork in peace.

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## Borderland Voices



Newsletter

JANUARY 2012

**Happy New Year** to all; we hope to see you in 2012.

Life before Christmas is too full of nibbles, so we're experimenting with a **New Year's party**. It will premiere the final version of **'Going with the Flow'** (remember the Churnet project?) but also include chat and light food.

Inspired by **John Byatt**, people are working on a **mural** featuring Peak District myths and legends

We enjoyed making felted landscapes with **Kirsty Smith** at the Dove Valley Centre last year. She also had such a good time that she's coming to BV for a one-off workshop.

Please give your **feedback**, positive or negative, on the 31<sup>st</sup>. This helps to shape and improve BV's future activities.