

## MARCH PROGRAMME

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

<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b> Creative Writing - <b>Memories</b> Creative Space - Art	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm - 3.30pm
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March</b> Stargazing – Charles	<b>57 Queens Drive</b> 6.30pm – 8.30pm
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March</b> Experimental Arts – DIY	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.00am – 12.00noon (NB time)
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March</b> Writing - <b>Broken Britain</b> Creative Space - Art	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm - 3.30pm
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b> Stargazing– Charles	<b>57 Queens Drive</b> 6.30pm – 8.30pm
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b> Experimental Arts – DIY	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am – 12.30pm
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b> Text & images - IT	<b>Manifold School, Warslow</b> 1.30pm – 3.30pm
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March</b> Writing - <b>A Rastafarian takes a walk</b> Creative Space - Clay – Sue B	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b> Stargazing– Charles	<b>57 Queens Drive</b> 6.30pm – 8.30pm
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b> Experimental Arts – DIY	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am – 12.30pm
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b> Text & images - IT	<b>Manifold School, Warslow</b> 1.30pm – 3.30pm
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b> Writing group - <b>Asylum</b> Creative Space - Art – Viv	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b> Stargazing – Charles	<b>57 Queens Drive</b> 6.30pm – 8.30pm
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b> Text & images - IT	<b>Manifold School, Warslow</b> 1.30pm – 3.30pm
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b> Writing group - <b>Voices on the Wind</b> Creative Space - Art – Viv	<b>55/57 Queens Drive</b> 10.30am - 12.30pm 1.30pm – 3.30pm

## Land of the Churnet



### Stargazing

Charles ran the first of his evening stargazing workshops last week. It was good to have three children there together with the adults. The group read pieces of writing related to the stars, then we made 3-D models of constellations with sticks, tape and LED lights. Paul took photographs of them outside against the night sky. We are hoping to help design a large lit installation to be placed in or around the Roaches.

### Lantern Parade

After hard work and some setbacks, the Lantern Parade was brilliant on the day. Children brought the lanterns made in workshops, the weather was kind and we were led round Haregate & through the Waste by the Leek African Drummers – so everyone heard us coming and popped out to have a look. Afterwards, bread & homemade soup warmed everyone up back at the Community Centre. Many thanks to all concerned.



## MARCH PROGRAMME DETAILS

This month the **Creative Writing** group will be working with **Sue Gaukroger** on a 5-week ACL funded project '**Beyond Buttons**' picking up some threads from 2008

The Tuesday afternoon **Visual Arts** workshops give people space to experiment. On the 17<sup>th</sup> we welcome back **Sue Blatherwick** for more clay work and everyone will be pleased to see **Viv** again on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

The informal Thursday morning **Experimental Arts** - DIY group meet to help one another and explore different drawing and painting techniques. Please note time on 5<sup>th</sup> & no session on 26<sup>th</sup>.

A new course in **digital manipulation of text and images** plus work with **PowerPoint** led by our very own **Paul Brooks** starts this month and continues into April and May.

**Stargazing** with **Charles Monkhouse** continues this month. Participants are looking at the night sky, constellations and mythology, stars and what they mean to us, with a view to creating 'personal constellations' from tiny lights to set up outside in the countryside.

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### COMING EVENTS

We are all very excited by all the improvements to the base at No. 55 and the new extension into **No. 57**. It is wonderful to have **more space, heat and comfort!**

Borderland Voices is spreading further into the community with **Creative Clubs** for young people after school hours starting this month on **Mondays** and **Saturdays**.

Other new opportunities include a 5-week writing course with Sue '**Beyond Buttons**' and also the chance to improve our **computer skills** with **Paul** at **Warslow**.