

## SEPTEMBER 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.

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

**7 Marvels of the Moorlands (1)** Sue G

### 55 Queens Drive

1.30pm - 3.30pm

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

**Creative Writing group**

Creative Space – Sketching, photography etc.

**Park Hall Country Park** (by minibus)

### 55 Queens Drive/trip

10.30am - 12.30pm

**depart BV** 1.15pm,

**return BV** 3.45pm

### Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September

**Walk & Click photo competition:** closing date

### 55 Queens Drive

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September

**7 Marvels of the Moorlands (2)** Sue G

### 55 Queens Drive

1.30pm - 3.30pm (tbc)

### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September

**Creative Writing group** (@ BV as usual)

**Feedback session** (over lunch)

Creative Space – **Environmental Sculpture (1)**

Sheena @ **Kniveden Garden**

### 55 & Kniveden Garden

10.30am - 12.30pm

12.45pm – 1.15pm

**depart BV** 1.15pm,

**return BV** 3.45pm

### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September

**Experimental Arts - DIY**

### 55/57 Queens Drive

10.30am – 12.30pm

### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September

**7 Marvels of the Moorlands (3)** Sue G

### Minibus trip

10.30am – 4.00pm

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Creative Space – **Felted Landscapes**

Kirsty Smith, felt-maker

(as **free lunch** is provided, please **book**)

### Dove Valley Centre

**depart BV** 10.00am,

**return BV** 4.00pm

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

**7 Marvels of the Moorlands (4)** Sue G

### 55 Queens Drive

1.30pm - 3.30pm (tbc)

### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September

**Creative Writing - 7 Marvels (5)** Sue G

Creative Space – **Environmental Sculpture (2)**

Sheena @ **John Hall Garden**

### 55 & John Hall Gardens

10.30am - 12.30pm

**depart BV** 1.15pm,

**return BV** 3.45pm

### Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September

**Ruby Hickmott** – ‘Paradise Walk’

Walk or sit and sketch in the Dove Valley

### Ilam Country Park

**depart BV** 12.00noon

**return BV** 4.00pm

## Moorlands Stories

All the workshops and hard work produced 2 giants (one scary, one friendly), toadstools, the Ravens of the Roaches, bears, owls, foxes, goblins, trolls, a host of small puppets and some really creative writing. Visit <http://creepingtoad.blogspot.com/> to see some of the results including our presence at the Just-So-Festival.



## Mandalas again

In contrast to the outdoor mandalas at Art in the Park and elsewhere, Viv introduced them on a smaller scale. People stuck petals and leaves onto self-adhesive paper in beautiful, colourful and intricate patterns. For anyone who suffered hay-fever on the day, the images are soothing and non-allergenic.

## Poetry walk

Adela from Rethink led a fascinating Poetry Walk round John Hall Garden. We shared favourite pieces and discussed them before writing our own responses to the peace and beauty of the surroundings. We rounded off the morning with an Ecominds-funded lunch and all were keen to repeat the format later in the year.



## Musical vegetables

After a walk round Kniveden, thinking about sounds and musical qualities, Niall had us in stitches with musical apples, peppers and carrots. Getting a tune out of an apple ocarina is not for the faint-hearted or short-winded. But it makes you look at your dinner in a different light and adds a new dimension to music.

## SEPTEMBER PROGRAMME DETAILS



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

**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.

**Ecominds**



**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. At **Park Hall Country Park** sketch, take photos or just enjoy the café. **Sheena** leads 2 **Environmental Sculpture** sessions at John Hall Gardens/Kniveden (see Andy Goldsworthy's work). Enjoy the Dove Valley (**please book**) & make **felt landscapes** with **Kirsty Smith**.

**Ruby's sketchbook session** at **Ilam** will prepare for follow-up work @ BV in October using the Impressionist 'Pointilism' technique.

In **Sue G's 'Seven Marvels of the Moorlands'** choose your Staffordshire Moorlands favourites & pit your wits against Derbyshire's '7 Wonders' in words, music, comedy & drama.

Note the closing date for the **Walk & Click** photo **competition**.

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# Borderland Voices



## Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2011

Welcome back to **Ruby Hickmott**, who takes us for a gentle afternoon at **Ilam**. Ideas will be developed next month in Impressionist '**Pointilism**' (using points of colour).

To make a **felt landscape** inspired by the **Dove Valley** with new artist **Kirsty Smith**, **please book a.s.a.p.**; places are limited & I need to order the (free) lunch.

Create **environmental sculpture** with **Sheena** at John Hall Gardens & Kniveden using leaves, fruits, petals etc.

What are the **Moorlands'** special qualities? Help **Sue G** compile '**7 Marvels**' & come on a **magical mystery tour**.

Please come with your **feedback** and make **suggestions for future activities** over lunch on **13<sup>th</sup> September**.