SANDWELL CULTURAL FORUM'S NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2024

CULTURAL QUOTE OF THE MONTH!

66 Creativity is seeing what others see and thinking what no one else ever thought 99

— Albert Einstein



Next meeting date: Thursday 17th October, Wednesbury Museum & Art Gallery and then Wednesbury Library to watch BCT's new show, WILD!



THINGS TO CELEBRATE:



Multistory had a great Meadow Event last month - It was a jam packed event filled with cutting of the wildflower meadow, musical performances, live theatre, nature and art activities. See some fantastic photos here!



THIS MONTH'S FEATURED MEMBER!



HELLO TO THE MIDLAND METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL!

We're excited that the hospital is opening this month. The arts have been part of the vision from the outset with cultural spaces planned including The People's Gallery, one of the longest in the region! The gallery will look to host exhibitions and events! The community garden and The Commons, will feature creative installations, biodiversity and sensory-enriching planting, all designed to promote well-being by encouraging people to rest, reflect and make new connections.

MURALS ARE BEING INSTALLED THROUGHOUT THE CHILDREN'S WARDS AND LOCAL ARTIST, CAROLINE JARIWALA, IS WORKING ON A SERIES OF MOSAICS FOR THE SPIRITUAL CARE CENTRE. WATCH THIS SPACE FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT THE LAUNCH EVENT, WHERE LOCAL PEOPLE WILL BECOME ARTISTS AND CURATORS OF THE FIRST EXHIBITION! - EXCITING TIMES!

Opportunities!

- 1. <u>Spectra is seeking</u>
 <u>Builders/Landscapers</u>- Deadline 7th
 Oct
- 2. Multistory have an <u>Open Call:</u>
 <u>Assembly 2025></u> Deadline 6th Oct!
- 3. Powered by Can are looking for a Head of Development for Business, Income Generation & Marketing
- 4. Do you love singing? If yes then The People's Show Choir is the place to go! Sign up for two free trial weeks to find out! Also join rehearsals at Warley Woods Methodist Church and All Saints Parish Church

Funding Success!

The Bearwood Hub have been successful in their funding application to Sandwell Consortium's Language Network, who will be funding our English For Everyday classes. This will enable them to expand their offer!

Get involved!

Spectra are calling for thoughts, ideas and opinions on its on-going research project about what organisations should change to help neurodivergent people & people with learning disabilities in high-level jobs. Contribute here!



New Go Play Website Launched!

In conjunction with Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council, **Powered by CAN**'s team designed a new website for the Go Play activities which launched in September 2024. Go Play Sandwell provides free, valuable and high quality play experiences for children and young people in Sandwell.

Click here to visit the website, and check out the calendar of upcoming events!

This was the first summer of Go Play On Tour, a series of play events across the region - over 600 young people attended one Powered by CAN event alone!



Events This October!



- Loads happening this month with Smethwick Arts!
- Warley Woods Artisan Market 6/10
- OurTime Afterschool Club at Bearwood Baptist Church Next one 07/10
- Coffee 'n' Canvas at Bearwood Community Hub 9/10
- <u>Black History Month Creative Sessions at the Bearwood Community Hub</u> starting on 09/10
- Idlib Theatre Show at Bearwood Baptist Church Hall
- Galton Valley Pumping Station Open Day 12/10
- Salt house with Michelle Holloway at Thimblemill Library 12/10
- Invisible Man at Haden Hill House Museum 16/10
- <u>Literature Festival featuring theatre and music across Sandwell Libraries October November 2024</u>
- Fungi Foray! at Oak House 20/10
- An Afternoon with Musical Duo Pat and Margaret at Stone Cross Library -21/10
- Bearwood Writer's Group 23/10
- <u>Sherlock Holmes versus Dracula at Haden Hill House Museum</u> 23/10
- Wild at Bromwich Hall & other venues! 23/10
- The Canterville Ghost at Haden Hill House Museum 26/10
- The Mistletoe Bride with Professor Black at Bromwich Hall 28/10
- <u>Dreadful Disco at Oak House Museum 29/10</u>
- Half Term Multisensory Music 30/10
- Halloween Disco at Bromwich Hall 30/10
- Windrush Tales by Rebel Tales Theatre 30-31/10



Exhibitions:

Legacy: October – December - Explore the Legacy of Jah Messiah, Esquire Sound System and the Legacy of Sue Brown. Co-curated by Anthony McFarlane at Wednesbury Museum and Art Gallery, Free to visit within museum hours.

Our People. Our Places - October - November. Inspired by historic and loved places in Sandwell at Haden Hill House. Free to visit within museum hours.

