

ARTIST DETAILS

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The Nuneaton and Bedworth Town Centres Manager and the Chairman of Art Alert join with artists worldwide to request all whom it may concern to allow the bearer, a citizen of the world and an outstanding artist, to pass freely and without hindrance and to afford the bearer every assistance and inspiration as they follow the Nuneaton arts trail and the path to the creation of their own masterpiece.

**WARWICKSHIRE ARTS WEEK
2010**

ART PASSPORT



NUNEATON ARTS TRAIL



WHERE YOU CAN FIND INTERESTING ART AS YOU FOLLOW THE TRAIL:

1. United Reformed Church, Chapel St., Opposite Town Hall
2. St Nicholas Parish Church, Vicarage Street
3. Community Café, Church Street, Opposite Wilkinsons
4. Market Stalls in front of Wilkinsons, town centre.
5. The Learning, Information and Technology Centre, Newdegate Street
6. Abeygate - Store Front Display, Abbey Street
7. Active8, Abbey Street.
8. Art World, Abbey Street.
9. Ropewalk - in front of Woolworths



Thorntons

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Waterstone's

The people above have donated gifts so that if you leave your completed ART PASSPORT, or your name and contact details, at a venue on the arts trail, or at the Town Hall by July 30th, we will enter you into a prize draw. This will be drawn and presented at midday on Saturday July 31st in the town centre.

The people below have funded the fun. Let's thank them by having a fundamentally fun time!



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GET A LIMITED EDITION BADGE DESIGNED BY THE ARTS WEEK ARTISTS

You will find one Nuneaton photo-poem by Barry Evans at each venue of the arts trail. To earn a stylish Nuneaton arts trail badge find them all and tell us at least half the titles below (We have given you the first one to get you started)

1. *Watched*
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HOW TO GET PUBLISHED

Pick your favourite of the art that you find on the trail, then use the space below, or a separate piece of paper, to tell us, in your own words, poems or pictures, what you think it is about or what you noticed particularly. All entries will be published on Barry's website at www.trousersforreality.com/arttrail He will send a copy of one of his art books as a gift to three of the entries.

WHO IS THE GREATEST ARTIST?

Is it a painter like Leonardo Da Vinci or Vincent Van Gogh? Could it be a playwright like Shakespeare or Molière? What about sculptors, Michelangelo or Bernini? Maybe it is somebody like Picasso who painted things in a totally new way? How about somebody modern like Damien Hirst, Tracey Emin, Lady Gaga or J.K Rowling? Could the greatest artist of all time have been the first human being to scratch pictures on a cave wall and thereby start this thing we call art, do you think?

How many of those names did you recognise? How many artists can you think of right now? Take a breath now and count just how many different arts you can think of just this minute. Now think of all the artists involved in any one of them. Can one artist really be the best? Can you really compare things like dance and landscape gardening, skywriting and juggling?

All of those arts, from synchronised swimming to blowing glass, have one thing in common. The most accomplished artists who have ever lived started off one day and decided to have a go. They were not concerned with big competitions or acclaim. They wanted to express something about how they saw the world. For many of them expressing this was the most important thing they could think of.

How amazing is it to think of an artist like Christy Brown who wrote books when he could only move his left foot, Beethoven who was deaf and still wrote some of the most beloved music ever listened to, Helen Keller who was blind and deaf and yet wrote books and poetry that continue to inspire and bring joy to millions or even Nick Vujicic who has no arms or legs and who makes his life into a work of art by going about helping people and telling them how fantastic it is to be alive?

You see, you have one hundred billion brain cells. That is a one followed by eleven zeros. You are capable of the most incredible things. The ordinary things you do every day are amazing. There is no computer yet that can think as well as you, walk, talk, appreciate or be happy like you. The only thing you need is to believe in yourself. Whatever your vision, however you see, hear or touch the world your experience is as valid as Mozart's, Wordsworth's or that first cave person to make a mark.

So take advantage of that amazing brain and that amazing body. Pick up a pen, a musical instrument, woodworking tools; turn on the oven; go buy some seeds; turn on the music and dance; knit, sew, tie knots; pick up a paintbrush, a camera or a crayon; do something new like interpretive walking; look up at the stars and do lots of laughing!

Your life is already a most phenomenal work of art. You are the greatest artist you will ever meet.