

ARTIST WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES SHOW OFF THEIR WORK

Adults with learning disabilities will be showing off their artistic talent at a special event that runs throughout May alongside the acclaimed Brighton Festival.

For the rest of this month, Grace Eyre – an organisation that provides a range of services for people with learning disabilities - will be hosting an 'Open House' at its headquarters in Avondale Road, Hove to enable members of the public to view and even purchase the work of the charity's artists.

Explained Grace Eyre Director, Eva Jarvis: "We provide help and support to around 200 people in East and West Sussex and, as well as helping them to take control of their lives, our staff and volunteers engage them in wide variety of leisure activities.

"Art plays a major part in enriching the lives of many people, not least those with learning difficulties, and I am proud to say that our artists are producing some fantastic work that is attracting a lot of critical acclaim.

The artwork – which includes photography, painting, sculpture and crafts – was unveiled last Friday during a special, invitation only viewing of the work for civic officials, volunteers and other VIPs.

Artists represented at the event included acclaimed photographer Zoe Leonard who has won a number of national awards for her work.

Continued Eva: "The viewing proved a huge success and visitors were impressed by the quality of work on display.

"Now we are inviting members of the public to see for themselves the wealth of talent here at Grace Eyre and maybe pick up an attractive piece of art for their home or office," she added.

Members of the public can view the work of artists between 11.00am and 4.00pm on Saturdays and Sundays until the end of May.

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