10th Anniversary Crouch End Open Studios 10th Anniversary

Crouch End Open Studios is celebrating 10 years of bringing art and artists to Crouch End . We are thrilled that in this our anniversary year we have ten new artists working with us, all bringing exciting new ideas and extending the range of media. This brings the number of artists exhibiting this year to 30. This is very exciting as it is the largest number of artists exhibiting in Open Studios. Our work will include painting, drawing, photography, printmaking, installation, ceramics and sculpture. Our artists will open their doors to the public and put on exhibitions of their work in Crouch End shops, homes and studios all within walking distance of the Clocktower . This is a great opportunity for everyone to see work, engage with local artists and buy art work.

Ten of our artists are producing art or objects as portraits of our very generous sponsors from the last ten years. These artworks will be exhibited in the Promenade Gallery during the Open Studio weekend.



Local shop keeper ,Chris Freeman owner of Dunn's Bakery , receiving his ceramic portrait from CEOS artist Jackie Lewis.

A number of our artists have been involved in National Exhibitions since last year. Martin Davidson and Sue Williams both exhibited in the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition and Sue was selected for the Jerwood Drawing Prize. Jane Human has been selected for the prestigious National Open Art Competition and many of our artists are regular exhibitors at the Affordable Art Fair, in fact, you could say that the Crouch End Open Studios is itself an affordable art fair!

CEOS is working for the second year with Action for Kids <u>www.actionforkids.org</u>. Our involvement with action for kids has been very exciting for our group who hold workshops for the young artists and have developed lasting relationships with them.

"Action for Kids is an inspirational disability charity working with young people to help provide the support and skills they need to help them gain access to the same opportunities as everyone else. Art helps many disabled youngsters find a communication outlet which they may otherwise struggle to have. It's also wonderful for self-confidence and as you will see we have even uncovered some real budding talent!" Joanna Read, Director of Life and Work, Action For Kids.

Action for Kids will be showing their work at Oddbins,139-141, Crouch Hill, N8 9QH during the Open Studio Weekend.

Open Studios Venues open weekend of May 10th and 11th 12.00-6.00pm

Group Show at the Original Gallery in Hornsey Library, afternoons from May 2nd to 15th from 1.00-7.00 pm. **Closed Bank Holiday Monday May 5th**

Additional Group Show at 'Blend', 587 Green Lanes N8 ORG from the end of April until 29th May

Attractions this year

Talks in Hornsey Library to coincide with the Group Show:

Tueday May 6th 7.00-8.30 Illustrated talk by David Buckham and Clive Boutle, authors of "From Bow to Biennale", this is an exciting new book about the recently re-discovered East London Group, there will be opportunities to purchase signed copies . One of our founding artists, Kim Valdez, is working on an installation inspired by their work. See CEOS website for more information about this and check out Kim's blog to track her progress.

Wednesday May 7th 7-8.30 "Strong Room" A talk by photographer Roelof Bakker and artist Jane Wildgoose on their book Strong Room based on photographs taken at Hornsey Town Hall