MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT GLASGOW ART SHOW

Charity Art Show Celebrates 30th Birthday!

Glasgow's Macmillan Cancer Support Art Show this year celebrates its 30th Anniversary and hopes to mark the milestone by breaking all previous records.

Over the past three decades the annual and ever popular event has raised around £2.8million and is one of Macmillan's biggest single fund raisers in the UK.

The Show is run solely by volunteers from the Glasgow '84 Committee, who work tirelessly, throughout the year, to bring together an eclectic range of Scottish Contemporary Art which reflects the rich seam of artistic talent which stretches the length and breadth of Scotland.

Nearly 300 artists submit over 800 pieces of sculptures, ceramics, jewellery and of course paintings....all generously donate 50 per cent of their sales to Macmillan.

But this year, to mark the Show's 30th Birthday, 50 artists have gone the extra mile and are donating a painting each as a 100per cent donation, in an effort to boost funds for this worthwhile charity.

Glasgow's renowned artist, Jennifer Irvine, has gifted a vibrant painting as this year's Raffle Prize. Entitled 'Restaurant Gigondas, Provence' this typically dappled depiction of a leafy Provence square is instantly recognisable as an Irvine, whose innate ability to bring sunshine and shade in equal measure to her paintings is much envied.

This year's nine day Show, which will be officially opened by BBC personality Jackie Bird, is open to the public from November 2nd to 9th and promises to deliver several other 'firsts' in an effort to keep the event evolving.

Five artists, over the opening weekend, will be in situ within the large Caledonia Gallery space, made available once again this year by M&Co. Artists Nichol Wheatley, Marion Drummond, Rosie Beaton, Gordon Wilson and Elaine Johnston will be painting at their easels and talking about their inspirations and methods, as Macmillan supporters and art lovers mingle among the exhibits.

So mark the Art Show in your diary and visit us in November ...it's an Art Show with a difference which genuinely offers 'affordable art for all' and in the process raises vital funds for Macmillan Cancer Support – 98 per cent of whose funds come from voluntary donations.

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