

Background

Buckingham Art For All, or Bafa for short, is a not for profit organisation founded in January 2008. It was created to service the demand for a local art organisation. It has grown rapidly over the last two years and now has 70 members. Activities have grown to include a monthly programme of demonstrations/workshops, trips to galleries and spring and autumn exhibitions.

Objectives

The objectives of Bafa were primarily as follows: -

- To provide an environment where members of all abilities could meet and exchange experiences.
- To enable members to educate other members via informal self help groups or networking.
- To provide a venue where members could meet monthly to experience demonstrations and talks by other experienced members or professionals.
- To organise trips to galleries and events of an artistic nature.
- To create a framework for a group of likeminded people to meet informally, rather than as a formal society.
- To create an atmosphere that was quite laid back, above all fun and, in essence, to feel a bit different from other societies around and about.
- To enable members to exhibit work irrespective of ability.

Our Aims

To Nurture through networking and "cell" groups

To Educate through demos and trips and through links with the Canvas Art School

To Be Inclusive with no entry requirements other than over 16 years of age and an enthusiasm for art

To Exhibit and Showcase art work produced by members that want to bring their work to a wider audience; either through encouraging or organising exhibitions

To Be Safe and Inspire Confidence, a place where members can bring work or discuss ideas without the fear of belittlement or discouragement. A place to express and experiment and discover through art

To Share through ideas, experience and expertise