

'I love to watch the others and just see the look on their faces - pleasure and peace. That's what Arts Together means to us'



'I so enjoy being part of Arts Together that words just flow out of me'



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ageing creatively

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*arts and
older people
in Wiltshire*

'It gives me an awful lot of pleasure. Now I have so many friends'

'Before Arts Together, I felt I was not much use. I always got left in the background. I don't feel that here.'

Arts Together is an award winning charity which brings professional artists and older people together. There are currently groups in the Wiltshire towns of Devizes, Marlborough and Pewsey where they meet weekly to take part in activities such as music

making, mosaics, video production, ceramics, drama, painting, Indian hand dancing, photography and poetry.

Arts Together is for older people, especially those

who have become physically or socially isolated. We provide high quality creative activities plus the chance to share experiences, make new friends and to live an enriched life.

The key to the groups' success is that none of them are 'arty' but all participants are willing

to 'have a go'. The result is a great deal of enjoyment and surprise.

All the Arts Together group members and staff are proud that it is 'not TV and Bingo'. Group members have produced their own video, published a book of their poetry, and recently recorded a song they composed. Other work is exhibited during their annual get together and published in their newsletters.

Each group runs 30 sessions a year and is supported by volunteers and a carer.



They share refreshments on arrival and lunch after the arts session. Many carry on activities in their own time and keep in touch with other group members during holidays.

To ensure a high quality service, we run an annual workshop for artists and volunteers, plus training and support for trustees and volunteers.

Arts Together is also supported by Friends of Arts Together and welcomes new group members or volunteers.

