

South Street Trust report. October 2024

Feedback from Beneficiaries 2023-24



The South Street Trust awarded £20,375 towards 16 arts-based educational projects in 2023/24. Recipients included a number of local schools, Farnham Maltings, The New Ashgate Gallery, Creative Response and Phylis Tuckwell Hospice.

Below provides an overview of some of the projects funded by the South Street Trust in 2023/24 and their outcomes:

Farnham Heath End School received funding of £500 to run a sculpture workshop for Year 9 students which was very well received. Students were encouraged to explore structure, surface and found materials, working out of their comfort zones to create experimental sculptures.

The New Ashgate Gallery received £2,000 for their The World of Weaving and Fabrics project. The funding enabled them to offer four family craft activity days/half days with a high-quality maker, free to all Farnham families, and to be offered as part of local community events such as Music in the Meadow. Approximately 278 participants took part in the activities and feedback was overwhelmingly positive. 95% of participants said they learnt new skills whilst 93% highlighted the importance of having access to free community crafts.

Farnham Maltings received £1,600 towards their first Family Festival offering free visual art participatory activities and workshops that focused on developing creative skills for young people and their families. The event was very well attended and young people enjoyed a wide range of activities from pottery to pyrography.

The University of the Creative Arts received £2,425 to run 'Kindness Rocks', the primary objective of which was to foster awareness about both uniqueness and kindness. They delivered workshops across 4 local schools, the Malting and UCA, engaging with over 500 participants resulting in around 400 decorated rocks and pebbles which were showcased at the UCA. Furthermore, the workshops actively engaged and provided work experience opportunities to both national and international students from the UCA, equipping eight students with essential skills for their professional development within the visual arts realm.