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Exciting News - The Artizan Collective

After a well deserved break for Christmas & New Year for our teams, it's been wonderful to start the new year with so much energy and excitement.

We have NEW additions to our weekly timetable of services for our disabled community in Harrogate. A NEW Co-production Group - which aims to give a voice to our beneficiaries and to facilitate change for the better together and a NEW Drama Workshop - which gives our members and trainees an opportunity to express themselves, be creative and build confidence. These sessions have gotten off to a fabulous start and are just the beginning of the additions you'll see in 2025 as we begin the "Artizan Collective" project. As the recent funding only covers our social activities, we will be working hard to secure the funding needed to continue to run our training Cafe that is loved by so many, providing vital training and support for young adults with disabilities.



FUNDRAISING



Harrogate to the Pyramids Harry raised nearly £3,000 and continues to raise money for Artizan through his Egypt talks!

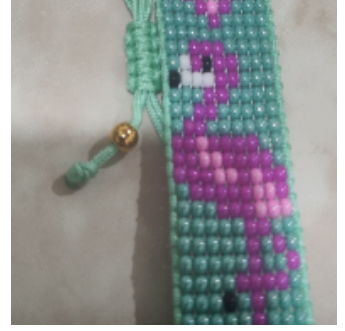
We are continuing to focus on regular giving If you want to become an Artizan Angel and give regularly you can do so through Enthuse [here](#). You will get regular updates and 10% off our café and shop. Alternatively if you want to give a one off gift at the above link, we would love your support.

Vocalis Thank you to Vocalis and the St Aidan's Chamber Choir for an amazing evening at St Wilfrid's church. Vocalis raised over £2,000 pounds for Artizan and we are so grateful.

Carol Concert Thank you to St Peter's and the choir for hosting a beautiful service in aid of Artizan International. It raised £300 and thank you to Verity Frearson for their sponsorship.

Thank you for all your support

ECUADOR



New Year - New Design from the team in Ecuador

We are pleased to introduce you to Pedro Ayala, a talented artisan who is part of the project in Ecuador. Pedro has found space where he can develop his creativity and artisanal skills, and we are proud to see how his work has flourished.

Pedro shares his experience: "My work at the Artizan is going very well and I am happy to be able to work from home. I like to go to the countryside on weekends to make crafts, as I feel calmer. I also make cards as well as jewellery"

The attached image shows Pedro in one of his moments of creation, surrounded by the nature he loves so much. His dedication and passion for crafts are evident in every piece he makes. We thank all our supporters for their constant support, which allows artisans like Pedro to continue to grow and share their art with the world.

PERU



January has been a challenging month for the Team in Peru. The project still seeks a new Cafe manager for the centre there and with a constantly changing climate in Arequipa causing illnesses, the team have found themselves very short handed.

The team has been working on the commission of two large mosaics for the ambassador's residence in Peru. With very little training on large mosaic making, they have produced some incredible mosaic work. We can't wait to see them installed and on display, we're sure you'll agree they are stunning.

One of our trainees, Alejandra, has been successful in seeking employment in Peru which is a huge achievement for the project and we wish her all the best in her next adventure. January is a time for holidays in Peru so many of our team are taking a break to spend time with family and are excited to start working with our new Overseas Director soon!