



Camera Club:
Can I take your picture?
Cuttleslowe Stories

Cuttleslowe Park 22 March - 05 April 2022

The North Wall is delighted to present the inaugural Camera Club in association with the Cutteslowe and Sunnymead community.

Rory Carnegie worked with these young photographers to capture the spirit of Cutteslowe & Sunnymead through photographs and curate their work into this community exhibition. Rory is a prolific and well established artist based in Oxford with close ties to the local community through his work at the community larder.

“When we were putting together the idea of ‘Camera Club’, I was very keen that each young photographer would, over the period of the course, begin to reveal and recognise aspects of their identity as an artist. Our collaborative approach to the project allowed us to facilitate the young artists in finding their style; and the loose guidelines and instruction, with only the occasional nudge, enabled this project to be authentically led by the young photographers and I can now see from the work that they produced, clear areas of interest and styles emerging. Very proud.”

A special thanks to Oxford Festival of the Arts for their generous loan of the display boards for the exhibition, Oxford City Council for the award of a Culture Grant for the project, Cutteslowe Community Centre, Cutteslowe Community Larder, The Cutteslowe Garden Project, Oxford City Council, Creation Theatre, City of Oxford Society of Model Engineers, the art department at St Edward's School, City of Oxford College and all of the wonderful people who agreed to have their photo taken as part of this project.



Our **YouthLab** programme exists to inspire and empower young people aged 12-17 who are passionate about the arts and to encourage self-expression, working collectively and developing a craft. We commission a range of artists to deliver projects for our YouthLab participants and at the heart of each workshop or course is a sense of fun, playfulness and curiosity.

“Collaboration is key to transforming a project from something great to something of excellence, which is what I believe the group have achieved through this exhibition. The young photographers embraced working within a community and worked hard at finding stories and their own artistic voice. I hope these young people know how talented they are!”

Abie Walton, Participation Manager at The North Wall

“This is the first North Wall outdoor exhibition and I am thrilled that Cutteslowe and Sunnymead residents can engage with wonderful works of art while out and about in the park. The North Wall showcases contemporary artists working in and around Oxford – perhaps these young photographers will pursue their passion so that one day we can exhibit their work in the gallery as well.”

Nicky Laird, Gallery Manager at The North Wall

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The Young Photographers



Ben

I live in Abingdon and I love walking in nature and doing a bit of casual photography from time to time. I like to make shapes and spaces major parts of my photographs. Cuttleslowe is such a rich and diverse place and I am honoured to photograph it.



Bradley

I love climbing trees and playing video games. I think that Cuttleslowe is beautiful and an amazing place. I think the camera club was a great experience. I live in Abingdon and I almost got hit by a car when taking a photo. I like looking at things from a different perspective.



Chantelle AKA "Tilly"

I like skateboarding, and I'm also interested in motorbikes though I am not yet old enough to ride one. I like reading crime and horror books, and I like listening to rap. I have two dogs at home and I enjoy going out for walks and sometimes take my camera to get some nature pictures. I particularly like taking photographs of people, especially capturing their facial expressions.



Imogen

I am interested in photographing people out and about in my local area. I like to capture motion in my photography. I play football for Hinksey Girls Under-15s and enjoy making music in my spare time.



Luke

I'm a huge fan of Lego and like to design my own models. I love nature and enjoy taking photos of the natural world, as well as photographing my Lego designs. I have been coming to Cuttleslowe Park since I was a baby, and have spent many happy days here.



Nya

In my spare time, I like crafting and crocheting and photographing things in nature – especially things that might be easily overlooked. I really love documentary photography and I enjoyed photographing the local life around Cuttleslowe.



Sophie

I love all things to do with nature and history, so you will often find me taking photos of sunsets, historic buildings, or butterflies. I also love to experience new places especially through a camera lens.





Photo by Ben



Photos by Bradley



Photo by Bradley



Photos by Chantelle



Photo by Chantelle



In Memory of Ann Fowler
who gave us much
1936 - 2010
and her beloved dog, Fido

Photo by Chantelle

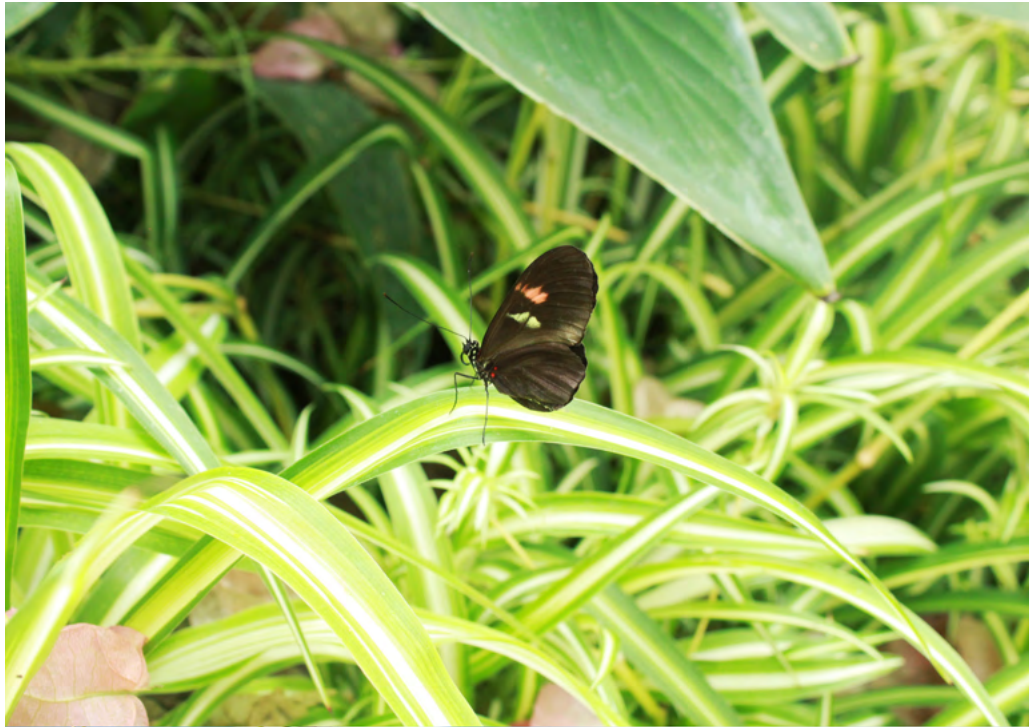


Photo by Imogen





Photo by Imogen



Photos by Luke



Photo by Luke



Photos by Nya



Photo by Nya



Photos by Sophie



Photo by Sophie

Charter de Care



Photos by Ben,
Imogen and Nya

“I’ve learnt many photography skills and gained social skills as well”



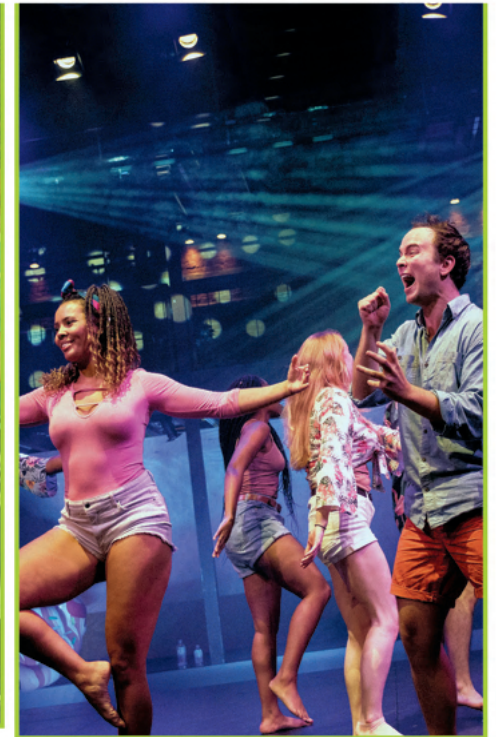
“I absolutely loved it.”



“It was awesome!”



“I know how to take better pictures and I’m more confident about asking people if I can take their picture.”



The North Wall Trust

The North Wall Trust is a charity. Our flagship ArtsLab programme provides free training opportunities for early-career artists and supports professional artists in the creation of new work. Our YouthLab projects bring together young people and families to develop their creativity.

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