

Young People Make a Positive Contribution

Showcase Event 5 - Alhambra Studio, November 9th 2009



Showcase 5 featured young people performing dance, music, poetry and demonstrating their achievements at the Alhambra theatre. The young people are working with a range of arts, media and inclusion projects across the Bradford District.

The showcase was sponsored by the Bradford Youth Offending team. Several local projects contributed to the successful event. Many of the young people taking part were not offenders but were excited at the opportunity to show off their talents and rose to the occasion.

The evening was closed by special guests the Deputy Lord Mayor of Bradford Cllr Naveeda Ikram and the High Sheriff of West Yorkshire Jeremy Burton, who thanked all the young people taking part for their enthusiasm and commitment and praised the quality and professionalism of their performances. Both commented that the young people were an inspiration and hoped they continued to work hard in the future.

"Now in our fifth year our 'Showcase' event has proved another success. Once again it demonstrates what those of us working with young people every day know to be true - they have tremendous potential, only requiring opportunities and encouragement to see it fulfilled. We have seen new work from young people with real talent supported by committed staff and volunteers from a variety of partners across the Bradford District. Again, my thanks go to all the young people who took part in the event and to everyone who continues to support to the work of the Bradford YOT."

Paul O'Hara
Bradford YOT Manager

"I thoroughly enjoyed this Showcase event. Not enough credit is given to the young people of Bradford who have talents in so many areas. I hope the heartfelt appreciation of the audience tonight made the hard work put in by everyone feel worthwhile. This event has shown that, given the opportunity and motivation, the young people of Bradford can create good things and contribute to our community."

Deputy Lord Mayor of Bradford
Cllr. Naveeda Ikram



The Performers

PRISM
JAS (Joint Activity Services)
 So what can you offer me...?

Performed by:

Lyndsey Harry
 Keenen Keith
 Bradley Nicola
 Ashley Chris
 Jade Abigail
 Joshua Steve
 Mandy

The Academy - Dance United
 Falling Apart

Performed by:

Alice Danny
 Niamh Joseph
 Palina Mathew
 Danika Cain
 Katarzyna Nathan
 Ben Maddy

Ummid Second Chance Project
 Poems What We Rrote

Performed by:

Andrew, Andrew and Luke

Positive Futures Holmewood
 First Time Round

Performed by:

Chantelle Chelsea
 Frankie Jade
 Jade Kacey
 Leah Lornah
 Megan Melissa
 Sophie Samantha

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Stereotypical Issues in Society

PRISM
 Life at PRISM

Performed by:

Marc Moneeb
 Ashley Rachel
 Danny

Bradford Youth Development Project
 Out Of Order

Performed by:

Sami Malcom
 Megan Elishia
 Jordan Adam
 Justin MD
 John Kimi
 Meteeb Mohammed
 Simon Michael
 Connor Addison

Raps Waxworks Music Initiative /
Bradford Youth Offending Team
 Just Rapping

Performed by:
 Hassan

Artwork for posters and programme by:
 Tasadduq, Danny and Sam
Kala Sangam



BRADFORD & DISTRICT YOUTH OFFENDING TEAM

And finally... many thanks to all technical staff, especially Pauline Fitzmaurice and Dread Baker, and the volunteers who made the event run so smoothly.