

SPECIAL MOSAIC WORKSHOP SUCCESS

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The Centre@Halton launched it's 2011 programme of events with a Weekend Mosaic Workshop run by Maggy Howarth on Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th February. This was suitable for both adults and children and was organised specifically for residents of Halton to help prepare the special pebble mosaic being designed for the entrance of the recently extended and refurbished Centre.

Around 100 local residents attended and very much enjoyed modelling in clay. No experience was needed and the event was free of charge. To help with the mosaic, around 90 models were made to contribute to either the March of History feature or the Make Yourself in Clay section.

The planned mosaic will have a border of figures, showing all the people of Halton – from the Romans, Saxons and Vikings, on through the ages with the Normans, sheep-farmers and mill-workers, right up to the varied and amazing characters of today.

Clay and tools were provided, so that everyone could participate. The clay figures will now be fired and glazed at Maggy's workshop and cast into the border panel as a prominent feature.

Maggy held two sessions, morning and afternoon, and she also gave presentations at the local primary school, St Wilfrid's and at the Youth Club at the Centre.

Afterwards, Maggy said "People have made some lovely models, often depicting people they remember & characters they like... The W.I. lady running with a teapot, dragons and horses from the ancient Halton Cross, monks, Roman soldiers, Colonel Renirski, a fisherman, Viking ships, the Penny Stone, the blacksmith & many more, with modern people too, pushing toddlers in a wheelbarrow, holding the World cup, someone doing Yoga, gardening and dancing. "

The Centre welcomes any comments on the mosaic design proposals on email: susanlucas1950@live.co.uk and information on her previous work can be accessed from Maggy's website: www.maggyhowarth.co.uk

