

## Winterfest Open Art Exhibition at Brightlingsea Museum 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> Feb & 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025

The Winterfest team are delighted to announce their first Art Exhibition taking place in Brightlingsea Museum. It will be open to the public over 2 weekends, 11am-4pm from the end of Feb 2025. We would love children & adults of **all ages & abilities** & who live in Brightlingsea, to enter one piece of their own art OR craft. We especially welcome you if you never shown your art before in a gallery. So come on, don't be shy!

We also welcome everyone to come and visit the exhibition during the two weekends that it will be open. Refreshments will be available & art works will be for sale, with something for everyone!

The theme is '*This Makes Me Happy*' and your artwork can be created in any medium but must be your own original work.

Wall- hung pieces can be no larger than A5, approx. 7x 9ins or 18 x 23cm framed, with a strong fixing on the back or frame for hanging with a loop or string attached. No clip frames please. Craft/3D pieces to be no larger than 12cm H x 12cm W x 12cm D & durable enough to be on display & safely managed. They must not be made from food or other perishable materials please!

All artists may offer their work for sale, bearing in mind 20% commission from your sale price will be donated to the Winterfest Wellbeing Fund. A voluntary entry fee of £3 for over 18's entries is also welcomed when you submit your work (also to be donated to Wellbeing Fund).

Entries can be in the following age groups: 8 years & under, 9-13 years, 14-17 years & 18 plus. Prizes will be awarded to the most original art or craft entry in each of the under 18 categories.

The aim is not to select artwork. Instead, we want the exhibition to be as inclusive as possible for everyone. Due to the smaller size of each entry, we will be able to show a much greater number & range of pieces, so we are aiming to include all your lovely entries (subject only to display capacity being reached).

To take part, please complete the **Entry Form & label** & bring it with your artwork on: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at Brightlingsea Museum between 10am-1pm. Collection day (sales money or unsold work) will be Tue 4<sup>th</sup> March 10-1pm . If you really are unable to make these times & days, please contact Nicky Sheales to make other arrangements.

Entry forms are also available from the Winterfest website & local outlets/venues.

Contact for queries /more information: Nicky Sheales 07736413532

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**Winterfest Open Art & Craft Exhibition at Brightlingsea Museum**

**22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> Feb & 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> March**

Please bring your **one art or craft entry** as well as the **completed form & label** below to:

**Brightlingsea Museum on Weds 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025 between 10am-1pm**

**Theme : *'This Makes Me Happy'***

**Entry Form**

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Name.....

Address.....

Phone number (of parent/carer if under 16) .....

Email (of parent/carer if under 16) .....

Title of Work.....

Selling Price (if applicable) .....

Whilst we will be careful with everyone's art or craftwork, we cannot take responsibility for any loss or damage. We also reserve the right not to accept any work that cannot be safely displayed or is likely to cause offence. Please bring your work in a small strong bag (or sturdy box if 3D) with your name clearly written on the outside.

I understand & accept the terms above:

Signed (or parent/carer if under 16)

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Now please complete this **LABEL** below

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**Name** (+ age U 18's only)

**Title of Work &/or why 'This Makes Me Happy'**

**Price** or state NFS (not for sale)