ACTIVITIES for 2015 D CAFE

This seems to be the right time to thank those who have supported the D Café over the past year — volunteers, speakers, entertainers and, of course, you who join us each month — and to issue a warm welcome to those who haven't yet found us. The D Café is an informal gathering for people with dementia, their families and carers where there is time for a blether, sharing experiences with each other all in a relaxed and safe place and over a cup of tea! At the heart of the D Café is the mutual support it can offer. Volunteers are also on hand.

There won't be a December meeting but we will meet again on 29 January 2015. We usually start the year with a good catch up chat so we don't invite a speaker. And by then I should be able to let you know what delights we have planned for the rest of the year. We meet from 1pm and 3pm on the last Thursday of the month at the Quaker Meeting House at 7 Victoria Terrace. Please contact the office in January, on 667 6289 for the new programme.

Take good care and see you in 2015!

GALLERY SOCIAL

Join artists for free, informal guided tours around the National Galleries for anyone affected by dementia, their friends, relatives and supporters. For more information and to book a place contact Meg Faragher, Families and Communities Learning Coordinator, Tel: 0131 624 6428, M: 07814751087 or email: mfaragher@nationalgalleries.org

Beauty by Design | Fashioning the Renaissance Friday 23 January, 10.30am-12noon Scottish National Portrait Gallery

The Two Roberts: Robert Colquhoun and Robert MacBryde

Friday 27 February, 10.30am-12noon Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art (Modern 2) **BP Portrait Award 2014**

Friday 27 March, 10.30am-12noon Scottish National Portrait Gallery

Dutch Still Life

Friday 24 April, 10.30-12noon Scottish National Gallery, the Mound

'Art in the City'

'Art in the City' is a friendly, diverse group who meet on the second Thursday of the month. Our aim is for people whose lives are affected by dementia to share a gallery visit with other interested people. Please contact Fiona Campbell, Social Worker: 0131 469 6222 or email:fiona.campbell@edinburgh.gov.uk for more details about each meeting.

Historical Collection Thursday 11 December 2014 10.30am Scottish National Portrait Gallery

Beauty by Design Thursday 18 January, 10.30am Scottish National Portrait Gallery

You Choose – Edinburgh's Favourites Thursday 12 February 10.30am City Art Centre

To be confirmed Thursday 12 February 10.30am **Magne Furuholman** Thursday 9 April 10.30am Dovecot Studios

VOCAL(Voice of Carers across Lothian)

For details of training, learning, social and leisure activities in 2015, please contact VOCAL Address: 8-13 Johnston Terrace T: 0131 622 6666 E: centre@vocal.org.uk W: www.vocal.org.uk

CONGRATULATIONS!

Barbara, our Branch Chair, received a Recognition Award at the AGM of Alzheimer Scotland in November. This was in acknowledgement of her multi-faceted involvement over a number of years in different activities, including, amongst others, the D Café, the Helpline, the Council and Edinburgh Branch.

TOPICAL TIP

You might find this leaflet useful - 'Celebrating the festive season with someone who has dementia'. You can ring the Helpline for a copy or download it http://www.alzscot.org/information_and_resources/information_sheet/1781.

100 CLUB WINNERS

Oct	J McIntosh	M Angus
Nov	E Robinson	R Waters
Dec	K Leary	N Evans

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