The Brickworks Newsletter



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On July 8th we'll be celebrating a very special day: It's the 50th anniversary of the Hanley Crouch Community Association. We'll be marking the event with a grand get-together at Brickworks, giving us the chance to meet old friends (and new ones) to look back over half a century of local activity.

If you'd like to come along please get in touch, and if there is anyone from way back who you'd like to invite, please give us their contact details. The party starts at 3.00pm and ends at 7.00pm; see you there!

The anniversary party also sees the launch of our "Friends of Brickworks" scheme. We're looking for people with ideas and energy to help us with our work – either setting up new projects or helping with existing ones. Membership costs £10 a year and in return you'll be offered discount rates at Brickworks, and invitations to events and get-togethers. This is a great opportunity to make a difference in your neighborhood, and to be part of the Brickworks family. Further details and an application form are available on the Brickworks website.

On June 5th, we'll be hosting the first session in an innovative health course aimed at people with Type 2 Diabetes. The course, run by the Whittington NHS Trust, offers information and help with diet, lifestyle, communication and coping strategies – all the skills needed to manage the condition. Diabetes Self-Management Programme is free of charge and runs for seven weekly sessions, each one lasting three hours. To find out more, ring: 020 7527 1558 /1189 or email: whh-tr.self-management@nhs.net

The brilliant children's book 'CIU Saves London', written by Brickworks regular Agy Loukaides, has found a whole new audience thanks to an animation launched on Hellenic TV in April and now available on Youtube (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6q8QmfDhj11).

As Agy explains: 'It's right around the world, America, Australia, even Croydon!'

The original book is available on Amazon and other book sites, and Agy is now working on a second adventure, which should be out by the end of the year.

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Limnitech Tutoring, which offers tuition and help with basic computer skills, is in operation at Brickworks. In addition to face-to-face tuition, it offers video tutorials, covering such subjects as using the internet; connecting to WiFi, iPhone tips; and how computers work. Tutorials cost £10 an hour. Contact Madalina Richardson via limnitech@gmail.com; tel, 07958 402450.

Coming up soon:

A "Cost of Living" event – advice and help with financial problems in mid July at Brickworks.

Also our regular Ward Panel Meeting: a chance to meet the local police and discuss problems in the area. Check at reception or the website for the date.

The summer festival season is in full swing. "We Are Islington" takes over Islington Green on July 8th for an afternoon of music, performance, arts and crafts, and interactive workshops.

On July 12th, "Celebrate Islington" brings together community groups throughout the borough for an evening of music, performances and refreshments. Venue: the Assembly Hall, Upper Street from 6pm - 9pm. Admission free.

If you would like to see more creative activities locally, Islington council would like to hear from you about what you enjoy and what you'd like to see more of. For a copy of its culture survey, email culture@islington.gov.uk