



# KINGS CORNER PROJECT

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Newsletter

*...no ordinary youth project*

## **..DATES...DIARY DATES..DIARY DATES..DIARY..**

- IT'S the time of year again where we ask you to get quizzical! Our annual quiz night will be held on **Wednesday 28 September** at the Hanbury Arms in Arlington Square from 7.30pm. Tickets are £40 per head. Contact Lesley: [lesleywitt@btinternet.com](mailto:lesleywitt@btinternet.com) to book.
- AND it may be mid-summer but we managed to secure our place for Christmas Carol singing at Highbury & Islington Station on **Monday 12 December 5.30-7.30pm**. Join us if you are passing through!

## **We're all going on a Summer Holiday!**

THANKS to our major donor, KCP is planning a variety of exciting day trips and residential excursions for the holidays. Young people will be challenging themselves in a range of activities including camping, horse-riding, go-karting and microlight flying. Theatre trips and visits to exhibitions at local art galleries are also planned.

## **smArt Alice!**

EARLIER this year, our youth worker, Cassie Skinner, organised an art course culminating in the participants exhibiting their work at the Tate Britain. We recently received excellent news that one of the course's participants, Alice Campbell has secured a place on a Foundation Certificate course in Art and Design at Kensington and Chelsea College, which will progress onto a Btec. A video clip of Alice is on the [KCP facebook page](#).

## **FROCK STARS!**

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS WHO ATTENDED THE "FROCK SWAP" EVENT IN MAY. A VERY ENJOYABLE EVENING RAISED AN INCREDIBLE £1,400 TO SUPPORT KCP ACTIVITIES.

## **KCP at the movies**

THERE was great excitement last month when one of our young people's short films received a public screening at the Open City London Documentary Festival, supported by University College of London (UCL).

Budding filmmakers were challenged to make a documentary in just one day. Supported by Senior Youth Worker, Graham Reeves, one KCP team interviewed locals along Regents Canal for their production: "Is the canal a better type of street?" Another KCP entry, "Pitch Battle", investigated the nearby football pitches at Finsbury.

15 year old Engin Yildirin said: "I got a lot of confidence through interviewing, and I would have liked the course to be longer!"

Due to the project's success, UCL is now discussing further work with us. The theme of its next programme is "The London Underground" Watch this space!

See the films for yourself at

[www.kepyouth.net](http://www.kepyouth.net)

## **Sophie's got the X-factor!**

THE WINNER of this year's KCP music project, Sophie Searle has just filmed her first music promo video. [See Sophie in action here.](#) Judged by top record producer, Mike Spencer, this year's music project saw 10 of our teenagers compete against each other to make the most commercially viable song.

Part of the course saw participants get professional help with their song writing, and the chance to learn from industry professionals at Sony BMG.

We hope this will be the first step in Sophie's successful singing career!

**FUNDING UPDATE & A THANK YOU:** As with other youth projects across the borough funding from Islington Council has been significantly cut for this and future years. We are working hard to identify new sources of funds to ensure local young people continue to benefit from the services we offer. We would like to thank all our supporters without whom we could not continue our work. Currently, we are busy raising funds to upgrade the sound recording equipment, purchase sound-proofing for the music room, and employ an additional music tutor so we can offer more music-making sessions which have proved very popular and are over-subscribed.

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