

Turtle Song is **FREE** to all participants.

We will be providing tea, coffee and biscuits.



Turtle Song

An English Touring Opera, Royal College of Music and Turtle Key Arts collaboration, in partnership with The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust and Wolverhampton University.

Turtle Song is an opportunity to compose and sing your own songs with professional musicians. It is for people with memory problems and all forms of dementia and for their companions (husbands/wives/carers).

The Turtle Song group will meet for one session every Tuesday over a ten-week period between October and December 2016. The aims are to enjoy singing together, to help write some songs, to record the songs on CD and DVD, and to have a fun and inspiring experience.

The sessions will be led by composer Heather Wastie and director Tim Yealland, supported by music students from Wolverhampton University. At the end of the ten weeks the final piece will be performed to friends and family as an informal celebration of the project.

There is no need for any previous experience or skill to take part.

Turtle Song has run successfully all over the country for the past 9 years. The resulting work can be seen at www.turtlekeyarts.org.uk

For further information phone **020 8964 5060** or email charlotte@turtlekeyarts.org.uk



Venue for Turtle Song group sessions:

West Park Rehab. Hospital, Park Road West, Wolverhampton WV1 4PW

Tuesday mornings from 10am to 12.30pm

Dates: 11, 18, 25 Oct | 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Nov | 6 Dec

Final sharing performance. 11.30am, 13 December 2016:

The Arena Theatre, Wulfruna Street, Wolverhampton WV1 1SE

Information about access, parking and location will be provided once a place on the Turtle Song project is confirmed.

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“Turtle Song was a musical performance of pure wonder and fun, after weeks of collaboration, rehearsals, writing music, lyricising, tea drinking and luxury biscuit scoffing for people of varying ages all of whom suffer from dementia. It was beautiful, fun and enlivening. I was so touched by the effort and love that the organisers / founders of this event and the music students put into this performance.”

(daughter of participant)

For more information on booking a place contact Arts Manager on email: natalie.lewis2@nhs.net or phone 01902 307999 ext: 8764

Interested in taking part?

Please complete attached form and return to:
The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust
Arts Manager, Zone C, Location 27 (1st Floor, Hollybush House)
New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton Road, WV10 0QP



The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust Charity



Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

Email _____ Date of birth _____ Male / Female (please circle)

Diagnosis _____

Any extra support needed? _____

Particular interests (please circle) literature music poetry singing theatre

Any other relevant information _____
