



See you at Swindon Pride!

We'll be there with bells on and maybe a tutu too! We'll also be selling these incredible carnival masks, made by members of the New View Art Room, and a little birdy tells us that, Andy, a member of our Sound Recovery Studios will be performing a DJ set under the name Urbadex. Come and see us at our stand to find out more about the new workshops and support groups we'll be offering soon.

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Bereavement Support

We are pleased that SWADS have been awarded funding from the Wiltshire Community Foundation to continue to support the people of Swindon and the surrounding areas. In October details will be announced for a new support group for those who have been bereaved by addiction. Should anyone be seeking help through bereavement, in the meantime, we continue to offer counselling and to welcome new members into our art and music groups which are a fantastic way to take some time out, to relax, practice mindfulness and meet new people.



Introducing Sandra!

Sandra is one of our fantastic counselors and is now facilitating our Time 4 Us meetings. Time 4 Us, is a group for those affected by, or caring for someone with an addiction problem. Addiction can manifest in many different ways and we welcome everyone. The meetings are designed to be a safe space to share and learn in a relaxed and comfortable environment. Contact us for more info.

RECOVERY FESTIVAL

On Friday the 2nd of September you will find SWADS at Bristol's Broadmead Baptist Church, better known as the Church above the Shops. We will be taking part in Bristol's Recovery Festival and will be celebrating the achievement of those in recovery and even performing a few musical numbers ourselves!

Visit www.therecoveryfestival.co.uk for more info and to find out how you can join in too.



Barb's Bit on the Side

Every Accomplishment Starts with the Decision to Try.....

I came across this quote and it made me think about the people that I meet each day working at SWADS. They all come from different places and have different backgrounds, but every one of these clients has something in common. They all decided that they would come along to our service and give it a try!

The achievements that they all have made are inspirational and I feel so proud to be part of this wonderful charity. Some of the fantastic masks that have been created in the art rooms will be going to PRIDE with us on Saturday and I can't wait to don my tutu and show them off!