

The Boulder:

Core Arts was a key partner in commissioning 'Boulder' an ambitious and dual-site arts and regeneration project by the acclaimed sculptor John Frankland that was initiated by Peer, an independent arts charity. This project was of specific importance to Core Arts because of the range of benefits it brought to our members, the current park users as well as bringing new audiences to our local outdoor space Mabley Green. This project was delivered in partnership with the Peer Gallery and Hackney Parks department and REAP funding. Boulder was a commission by the artist John Frankland. It took the form of a sculptural landmark work as part of the Reap Olympic neighbourhoods projects, functioning equally as landscape art and as a rock-climbing (and especially a bouldering) facility for community groups and by professionals. Acting both as a dramatic sculptural element within the landscape and as a much needed lively interactive free sports facility for the community. Matt Machouki, Core Landscapes manager and John Frankland the artist, are both extremely enthusiastic rock climbers and understand the benefits of this challenging sport been taught in inner city communities. A specific objective for Core Arts was to offer a new activity that provides physical and creative challenges to our members. Core Arts will continue to run beginners bouldering classes, allowing our members to take part in a challenging sport rarely offered to people with a disability. We aim to expand our members understanding of sport in all its different forms leading to further discussions in exercise and healthy eating within the centre.

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