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## We are reopening!

We have been closed for a total of 27 weeks, which seems like a lot longer since we have been able to see all your faces in person. However next week that will all change and we will be opening our doors once again to be able to offer some face-to-face sessions at Core Arts, which we are all really looking forward to. You may be aware that we will be having a soft reopening on Thursday 17th September, as a tester day, with a fuller timetable starting from Monday 21st September. To start with it will be a slow reopening, with only some sessions returning, but we will be adding in more gradually in the future, this will be a slow process and we will not be rushing all sessions back. Hopefully by now you would have all heard from your membership managers, letting you know about which sessions you have been booked on to face-to-face and what you are able to access from next week. If you haven't had any communication from us do make sure you give

the office a call to enquire on 0208 533 3500 and update your details with us. For those who are not ready to return to the building or may still have to self-shield, we will of course continue with our online sessions via Zoom for you to enjoy. You can view the full timetable on our website. Many of our classes will be dual sessions, where you can access the same class in person or on online at the same time too, with some classes being only face-to-face or online only. You will also be aware of some of the new health and safety procedures which have been put in place to try to keep everyone as safe as possible, and we ask that everyone who comes to the building to adhere to these as best as possible. Our creative classes have recently taken a little bit of a break from live online sessions due to the additional work our staff and tutors have had to do, to get everything organized for our reopening. However they will be returning in October and we

will keep you all up to date when this happens with a list of the full timetable you will have access to online. We are all looking forward to seeing everyone once again with our in person or online activities, which hopefully allow us to engage with even more people from next week. If you do have any questions, please do give your membership manager a call to have a chat about any concerns you may have.



Welcome back!

## Core Socials...

As Core gets ready to reopen, we wanted to let you know that, although it may be slightly different to how it used to be and there will be less opportunity to socialise in the building, we will still have social opportunities for you online. The community spirit is something unique to Core and is an important part of our ethos. To begin with, these will mainly be online via Zoom, until we find a way to offer these face-to-face in a safe way, but we will keep you all updated when we know more. We will be continuing with our weekly Core social, every Wednesday at 12pm, giving you a chance to catch up and socialise with staff, tutors and peers, which is host-

ed by Laura and Michael. Our next online Club Core Gig will be on Wednesday 30th September from 6.30pm, and you can check out our social media (Facebook and Instagram) for login details. The last one was brilliant, and we are looking forward to seeing all the performers once again on the virtual stage. During our closure we had a weekly pub quiz, which has now changed to a monthly quiz. This will now usually take place on the first Friday of the month, with the next one being on Friday 9th October at 7pm, on the usual Core Sport Zoom login details. We hope that these methods will help those who do not feel ready to come

to building or are still having to self-shield feel connected to Core community during this time.



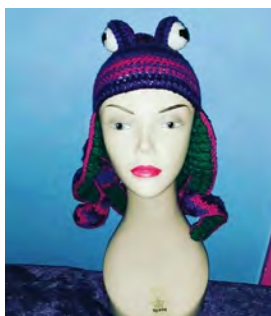
Next Club Core Gig

# Members' Work...

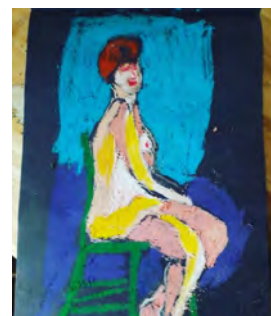
As always, we have had plenty of work to share across our social media, with everyone continuing their creative endeavours, which have been incredible to see. Gary Wood treated us to a picture of a beautifully home made rug of two wolves, which took him two weeks to complete, which he apparently found very therapeutic to make. Pinky shared an amazing octopus bobble hat, which is utterly amazing and is in the process of making another one, along with a couple more squares to add to the Core-memorative blanket! We also had a musical treat from the one and only Henry Hendricks, with a new acoustic track on video, which was so nice to see him play once again! Sally amazed us once again with her beautiful work with a piece called 'Tojan Horse', and it is safe to say that she has been super creative during our closure. Paula has been busy on her sewing machine making some Disney printed trousers in true Paula style. Gary Molloy also treated us to another beautiful pastel abstract piece along with several pictures of home baked goods, which of course made us all very jealous that we couldn't have a bite! You can of course check out all the amazing members work on our social media via Facebook and Instagram @coreartshackney



Rug made by Gary Wood



Hat made by Pinky



Art work by Gary Molloy

## Good News Story...

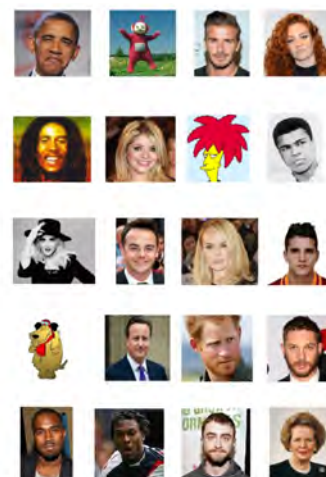
For those that attended the last online Core Council meeting, you will be aware that Elly broke the very exciting news that she is pregnant and expecting her first baby with husband, Mike at the end of September. Which means she will be going on maternity leave very soon and will be off until next Summer, so some of you may not get the chance to see her before she leaves, with her last day being on Friday 18th September. Everyone at Core would like to say a massive 'thank you' to Elly for all the hard work she has done during our closure and wishes both Elly and Mike all the very best for the safe delivery of a healthy baby and the start of their family of three! I'm sure she will send it a photo or two of the new bundle of joy that we will be able to share with you once they have made their arrival into the world. Elly will be back next Summer and can't wait to see you all then However, that's not the only good news we have, we will also be welcoming back Emily, who will be returning back

from her own maternity leave, who I am sure is very excited to see old members as well as getting to know all the new ones who have joined in her absence. Although, you may not see her around the building just yet, and she may be starting her return working from home, but I am sure she will pop into an online class or in for a quick visit at some point when she starts back in October.



Good Luck Elly! Ciao For Now.

## Brain Teaser



Name the celebrities or characters.

## Creative Corner

Recycle or upcycle those scraps of material and make a 6x6 or 12x12 inch square to add to our blanket! Be really creative with your design. You can also make more than one and send them in to Core.