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Charlton Parks Reminiscence Project

Volunteers Needed to Undertake Interviews



Greenwich Mural Workshop and its partners have received a grant from the Heritage Lottery programme Your Heritage to undertake a year-long project.

The project is being directed by a Steering Group of representatives from the Friends of Charlton House, Friends of Charlton Park, Charlton Society, Friends of Maryon & Maryon-Wilson Parks and Greenwich Mural Workshop.

Our objective is to uncover how the numerous parks and open spaces in Charlton were created from Charlton Estate, the family seat of the Maryon-Wilson Family and to collect memorable stories and recollections from local people relating to the open spaces over the past 50 – 100 years.

The project will undertake research into the history of Charlton Estate, its origins, expanse and design and chart how the different parks and open spaces were developed in relation to the original Estate.

There will be 3 public events when local people and schools can contribute to the researched history as it develops by adding their stories or organising personal interviews. We aim to publish 50 stories, to be archived on a living web site together with the historical information and worksheets. We will be involving local schools in the whole project including undertaking interviews and helping to design the web site. The project will culminate in a two-week exhibition to launch the new web site and review the whole project.

In order to collect the stories we are recruiting 20 volunteers who will be trained in the skills of personal interviewing and the technical aspects of digital recording and editing. We hope they will be involved in the public events and also undertake personal one-to-one interviews. The training will be undertaken by Age Exchange, Blackheath Village.

If you would like to know more about the project and volunteer then please contact Carol Kenna by Email: carol@greenwichmuralworkshop.com or by Telephone: 020 8473 7006.



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