

Health and Social Care Scrutiny Commission

Tuesday 10 November 2020

6.30 pm

Zoom

Presentations

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Connectivity and creativity between residents and artists at Tower Bridge care home during Covid 19

Outcomes: To keep connected and make sure residents feel loved and appreciated; continue to celebrate their contribution to the community.

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Long term association

Entelechy have been in residency with Tower Bridge care home since 2015. The collaboration with residents and well-being coordinators Paulette Dixon and Maria Johnson started with a production of Memory and Place at Elephant and Castle shopping mall performed in 2016.

Memory and Place: Elephant & Castle shopping mall production about change.

Tower bridge care home residents performed with the local community in a large scale event in the shopping mall. Residents shared their poems & stories about the history, & their memories of Elephant and Castle.



Since March 2020

During lockdown Tower Bridge care home residents and well-being coordinators Paulette Dixon and Maria Johnson have been corresponding and collaborating with our team of artists Rainer, Cai, Robyn, Julia and Chloe through letters, poems, video and sonic letters.

Tower Bridges

Care Home

"RAINING"

Song - Singalong



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12th May 2020

Dear Rainer.

Thank you so much for continuing to write it brings a little light into the day.

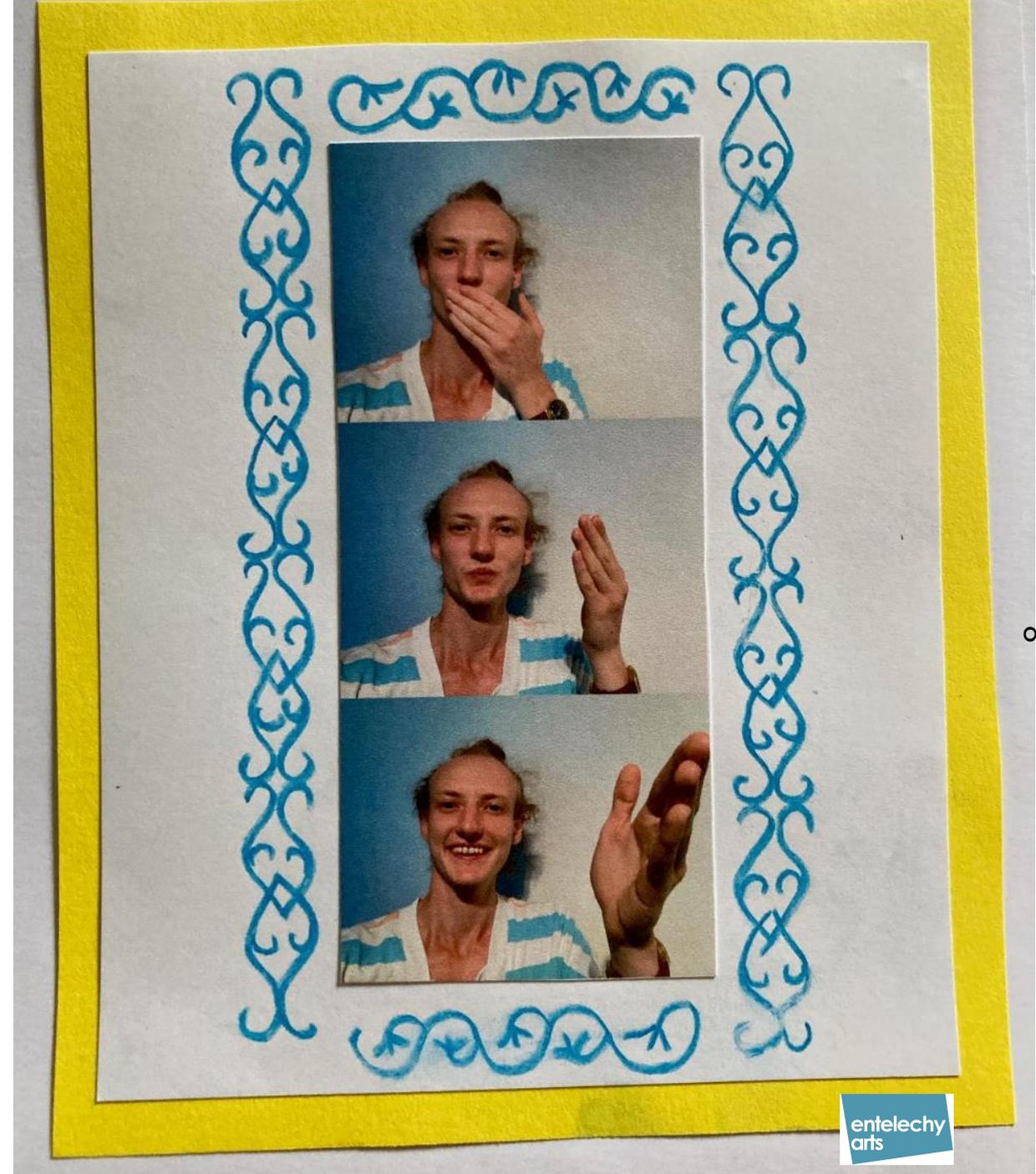
I have enclosed a booklet of celebration of life of our own "Dancing Queen" dear Kathy.

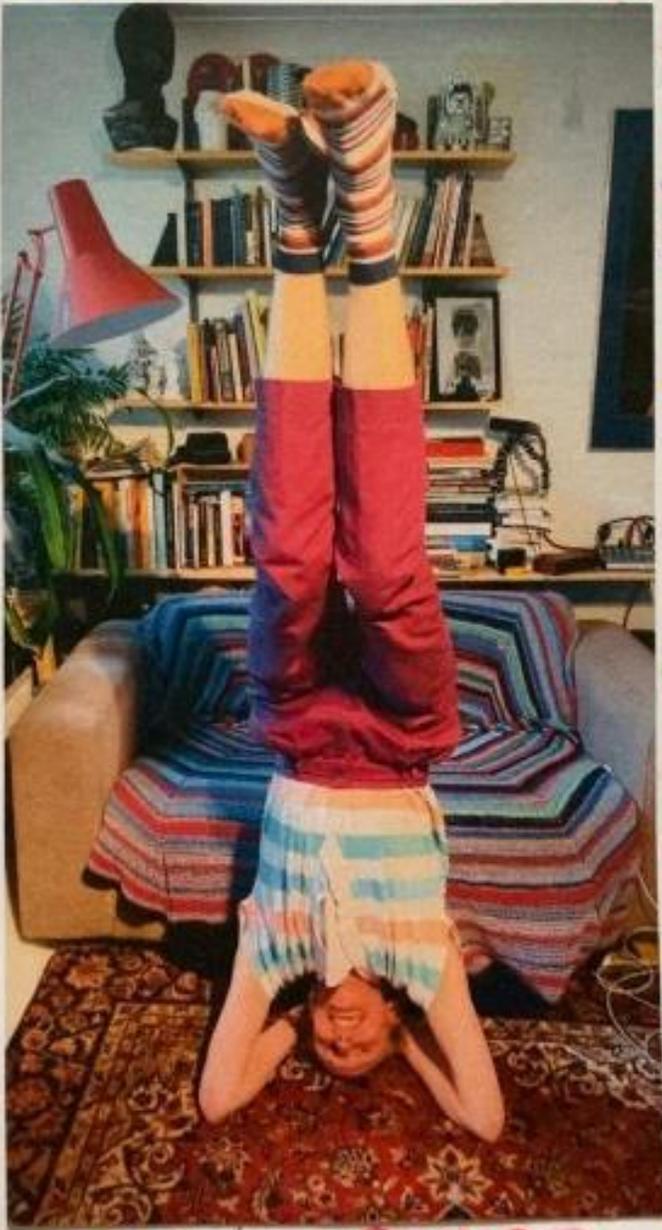
I hope you well also your loved ones. take care until we see you again.

Love from

Panlette

x





Dam

你好 Hello

我真颠倒了
I am upside down

罗宾
Robyn

+Cai, Rainer

With funding from United St Saviours we were able to continue the correspondence with residents during the summer exploring the theme of the Elephant and Castle Trocadero, stories of cinema, music, glam and a good night out.

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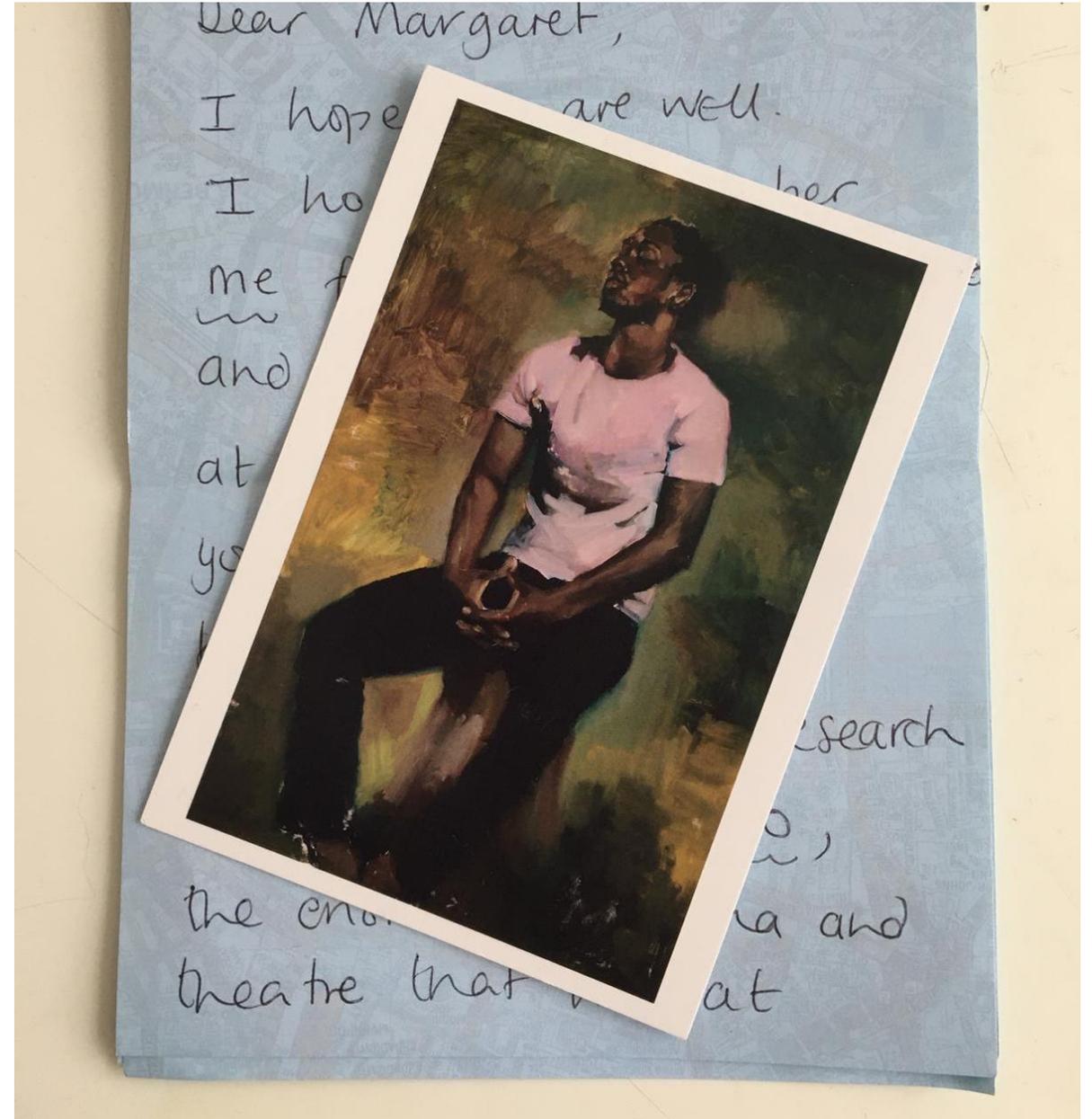
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TIMES







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- ♥ what names shall we give those two people?
- ♥ what are they thinking?
- ♥ what is their relationship?

Let's your imagination run free - and don't forget to smell the clouds ... ☺

With Love
♥



Simone Sparkles

Thank you so much for sending the delightful cards, everyone gets so much enjoyment from looking at them and then we have tea or coffee and discuss the questions you have put to us.

Today we have been making poppies for residents to celebrate "remembrance day" and the residents have made a poppy to remember them, they are so nice, it will be a pleasure when we all meet up again.

Take Care

Love From

Everyone at Towerbridge

ALICE

I USED TO go to a club at Albany Road with my husband Fred. We would meet friends there on Saturday night lots of music every one used to have a sing song used to enjoy a shandy and would drink anything

MORAH

I used to live off of east Street ^{Street} and go dancing at the troc with my sister's and friends, it cost sixpence that was a lot of money ~~it~~ then I went skating in Manoe Place baths The organ used to come up from the stage in the break time and play music at the time it was one penny a pint of peanuts. Every Sunday I had a muffin from the Muffin man he walked with a basket on his head with

Trocadero-themed letters from residents to us

Eileen born in galway, came to england in 1947. Married Gerard from lunick, had three children but only got one daughter now.

Went to ~~the~~ dancing with friends and husband in england. Eileen was top at Maths in school. Met a lot of hobbies I was always working never had time for hobbies.

Worked in a bar she was a manager in the bar and worked long hours

Eileen lived in Barnet in Hertfordshire

Eileen is a football fan likes Millwall, used to go to the Garden. and enjoys going to church, and also went to the Wisk club.

MORAH Davis. late 50's Early 60's

Friday party night Birmingham.

Went husband met up with crowd of friends used to dress up in best clothes. stockings. high heels, there used to be a singer in the pub when the pub shut we would go back to somebodys house and have a party.

Always put make up on. I liked red lipstick or pink.

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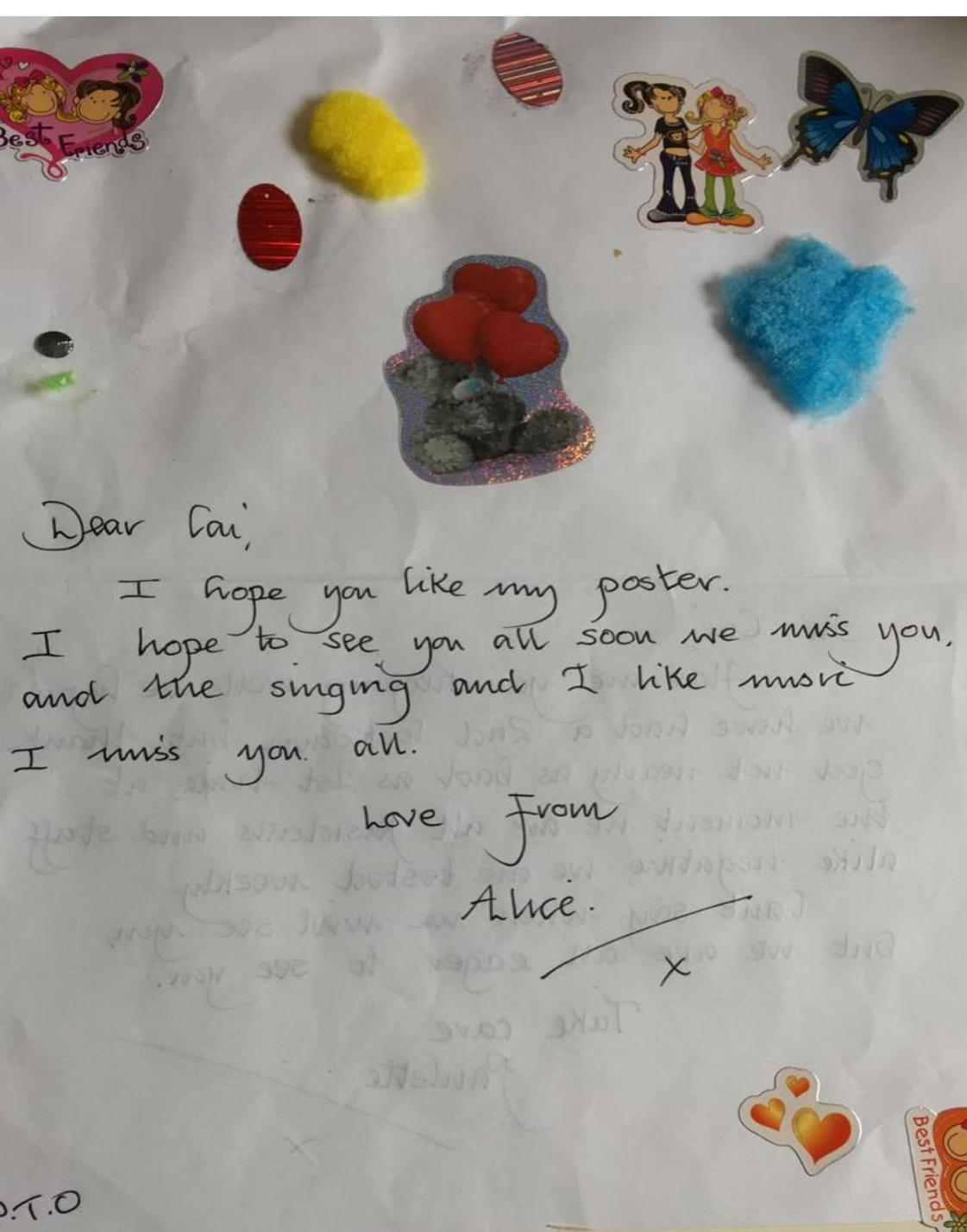
Trocadero Talk





Residents received our
Gnomes from Home, Handle
with Care activity package
posted out to 300 older
people in South East London.





Dear Cai,
I hope you like my poster.
I hope to see you all soon we miss you,
and the singing and I like music
I miss you all.
Love from
Alice.

“I think residents need things like music. They need to feel involved - even in a small way. Just chatting is an involvement. Some people are not gregarious, don't have to be the centre of attention, but love to be part of something even indirectly through watching.”

“All the letters were lovely. It was great to get Chloe's theatre cards - people loved opening the doors to the theatre. Residents and staff loved the humour in all the cards - this works well.”



“The Entelechy letters are up in peoples own rooms in pride of place. They look so amazing - Pats postcard of her as the Queen - she loves looking at it”

You couldn't fault any of the letters or handle with care boxes from Entelechy - they brought a spark to people's eyes that wasn't there before.”

“We’ve had a lovely afternoon. Pauline really enjoyed herself. Thank all the team for making many of my days!!with their wonderful letters, charming videos. Take care. Xxx”

Paulette Dixon, well-being team at Tower Bridge care home, June 2020

“There is something special about unwrapping something, whether it's a letter or a parcel to see what is inside. I remember we used to receive parcels of holly at Christmas time when we were kids - each time we were excited to find the holly inside.”

“They found it as much pleasure to open them - so beautifully wrapped like the best present - as to find out what was inside.

The gnome was lovely - so pretty. They had great fun, and this was also part led by the residents, in choosing the colours....so

you have some particularly colourful gnomes. They haven't done all the gnomes at once - and some are gradually being done.

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All the cacti plants are growing - some needed some TLC so the staff took care of those and are now flourishing. The others were given out to residents.

They all had such a lovely time painting the gnomes together - and the staff took as much pleasure in it as everyone else”



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