CCPA NEWS



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VIDEO PROJECT

The Video Documentary project is about to get underway. The project is being done with the GRANGE MUSEUM of Community History. And as part of the project we are planning a training day in video production to be held at the GRANGE on Saturday 20th May. For more information on training contact

Nick at the Grange on 0181 908 7432

Currently the project is in the research stage, this will last up **until May 1st**. From May 1st - 20th we will be working out more precisely what we will include in the documentary and schedule *the Shoot* (i.e. the actual filming). We will be filming in two blocks of time;

1. May 22nd - June 4th; This covers Half-Term to allow teachers and students to get involved in the daily shooting. Open to everybody, with no experience required, and on the job training offered.

2. June 20th -July 19th;
This will be tightly scheduled and an opportunity to make a direct contribution to the making of the film. If you want to take part in this part of the project you should have attended the training day and/or come along in the first period.

The video will be the centre feature of a new exhibition about the Irish Community at the Grange Museum which is also touring this country and going to Dublin.

This is a great opportunity to learn about video film making if you want more information contact;

HELEN McPHILLIPS

on

081-452-6257

Spring Is In the Air
Bernie and John Murray announce their engagement to the world.

CONGRATULATIONS!

GRANGE/CCPA Oral History Project:

A great turn out at the training day at the Grange ... Finbar and Nick were delighted however... we are still awaiting recordings. There is still time to get your recordings in and REMEMBER we are not looking for people to go and find extraordinary stories or record extraordinary people.. we are anxious to get the stories of everybody on tape, first, second, third generation, male female, young and old.

If people do as they have said then it will be a unique record of the community and a valuable resource for the future.. not least for our Community Play Two!

For more information please contact:

Finbar at the Grange on 081 908 7432

PHILADELPHIA HERE I COME!

The CCPA is supporting a performance of Brian Friel's classic play which will be performed in Cricklewood in September as a fund-raiser for Cricklewood Homeless Concern.

While the production will not approach the scale of THE BODHRAN MAKERS there is still a need for people to get involved in acting, stage management, design, building etc..

At the time of going to press performances were planned for one week in the second or third week of September at the Production Village Theatre.

For more information please contact:

OR 071 435 0698

CRICKLEWOOD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE

Following a public meeting about the proposed development of the land around the Express Dairies (where the set was built), the Association has decided to push ahead with plans to build a Community Arts Facility.

Barnet Council has expressed initial interest, and are now recommending a possible use of the open space next to the industrial estate for such a facility.

Of course it is a major project and will take lots of energy and resources. It will also depend on a successful application to the Lotteries Commission. There will be many hundreds of groups applying, but we stand as good a chance as anyone else!

In order to get the ball rolling we hope to be able to commission community architect WILL HUTTON to prepare and guide us through a feasibility study. Will was recommended to us by a successful Barnet Community Project THE OLD BARN. We hope that the RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) will sponsor the report under their Community Projects Fund.

It will be necessary and desirable to eventually broaden

access to the facilities outside the Irish Community, however the Association will lead and manage the project.

The kind of facility proposed so far could include:

- Performance space for community, professional and amateur theatre, music and dance.
- Dance Studio.
- Music Studio (with recording facility).
- Rehearsal Spaces.
- Community Room.
- · Exhibition Space.
- New Technology / Video/ Radio Studio and Edit suite.
- Cafe/bar area.
- Foyer/Box Office.
- Administration.

The kind of activities which could take place in it are:

- Community theatre (incl. large/small projects, Christmas shows)
- Youth Theatre
- Children's Theatre
- Community dance; Irish (ceilidh and set!) Asian and African Dance as well as modern, classical jazz and ballroom.
- An Education Programme, encouraging day time use of the centre by local schools, and a series of classes in

- drama, dance, music and video for all ages..
- Community Room, for people to book for social and family events at reasonable rates in pleasant surroundings
- Base for Community radio/ Cable TV

At this stage these are ideas. However if you would like to get involved in the planning and development of the project please contact

> Bob on 081-458 2509

THE BODHRAN MAKERS
BAND

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