

VOLUNTEERS REPORT 2023

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The SHAC is a not for profit organisation run by volunteers. These volunteers are the heart of the SHAC; without them we would not be able to do what we do. At the moment we have 27 active volunteers. I am hoping to increase that number to approximately 30 over the coming months.

Each exhibition usually runs for four weeks. It is the responsibility of the volunteers to staff the galleries for the 32 shifts over the course of each exhibition. Over the course of the year, 380 shifts have been covered.

As well as this volunteers assist in the installation, or bump in, of each show and, when required, the bump out. We usually have two exhibitions running concurrently so this task is considerable.

There is also the Opening event for each show which is set up, staffed and then cleaned up by our volunteers. The members of the committee have particularly helpful in this area.

And of course there is the committee itself who are also volunteers and have spent endless hours this year looking after the affairs of the SHAC.

I would like to recognise and thank our outgoing Gallery Manager, Clare Walton for her support during the year and welcome our new manager, Christine Richards who came to the SHAC as a volunteer and now has taken up the position of gallery manager. And of course I thank all the volunteers for their support this year. Thank you for being so committed, so enthusiastic and so reliable, showing up time and time again to play your part in the success of this much loved community gallery.

Annabel Baxter

Volunteer coordinator