

19 August 2016

Dear Friends of Liberty,

It is with great pleasure that Liberty Community Connect invites you to the presentation of our Disability Action Week 2016 exhibit "*Me, You & Us*". The Event will be held :

on **Tuesday, 13 September 2016 at 10:30 am**
at **Gallery One, Gold Coast City Gallery**
135 Bundall Road, Surfers Paradise

We would like to acknowledge the support of the Gold Coast City Gallery for holding "*Me, You & Us*" in conjunction with the 30th Gold Coast International Ceramic Art Award 2016. The exhibit will be displayed at the Gallery from 27 August 2016 to 23 October 2016, inclusive of Disability Action Week (11–17 September 2016).

Weekly, two groups of adults with disabilities join together in a community connections program at *Liberty Community Connect*. For many, this is their only opportunity to be engaged in social activities and improving health and wellness. Adults from this program have created 13 self portraits from clay and this collection forms the "*Me, You & Us*" exhibit. The purpose of the sculptures is to bring the audience into contact with the artist's sense of self as a unique person who experiences a disability and, in so doing, raise awareness and acceptance of people with disabilities living within the community. Some of the artists have depicted themselves with an unmistakable resemblance, without ever looking into a mirror, and others used abstract expressionism to interpret their sense of self.

We would appreciate your company and support to attend and enjoy this artistic accomplishment and I look forward to welcoming you to this exceptional exhibit. Light refreshments will be provided. **Please RSVP to info@libertycommunity.org.au or call Anne at Reception on 5578 1668 by Friday, 9 September 2016.**

Liberty provides services on the Gold Coast to support the independence of people who have a disability, people who are elderly, their carers and their families. This is achieved, by assisting them to remain living in their own home and offers freedom to explore the possibilities that are important to them as a vibrant part of our community. If you would like to know more about *Liberty* we invite you to view our website at www.libertycommunity.org.au or telephone us on 5578 1668.

Yours sincerely,



Cathy McCann
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We proudly invite you to view our exhibit
celebrating Disability Action Week 11 - 17th September 2016



Where: Foyer of the Gold Coast City Gallery
When : 27th August - 23rd October 2016



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Daily a group of people, who live with a range of disabilities, join a leisure and lifestyle program at Liberty Community Connect. For many clients, this is the only opportunity in the week for much needed socialising and friendships. The programs offer choice and opportunities to be engaged in outings, computers, cooking, social activities, health and wellness and art. The 2016 "Me, You & Us" exhibit is a result of the creative pursuits of this group, showcasing the artists unique personal perspectives and personality. This year our exhibit will be showcased in the foyer of the Gold Coast City Gallery as part of the Gold Coast International Ceramic Art Award 2016.

Providing services throughout the Gold Coast, Liberty supports the independence of people who have a disability, people who are elderly, their carer's and their families, by assisting them to remain living in their own home, with freedom to explore the possibilities that are important to them as a vibrant part of our community.

Further information about Liberty Community Connect can be found at www.libertycommunity.org.au or simply call us on 5578 1668.

"I feel very connected to my friends at Liberty and I am always looking for ways to help others and bring happiness into their lives"

Naomi

"Liberty has played an important part in my recovery"

Ron

"I love the opportunity at Liberty to do painting and ceramics as it relaxes my mind and as such reduces seizures"

Janelle

"With the support of my loving husband Wayne and Liberty Community Connects support and above all my sheer willpower and determination, I regained my independence to the point where I even wrote and published my own book"

Helen - www.thephoenixrising.com.au