



HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN COUNCIL

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Winners of Haywards Heath IN BLOOM Art Competition Announced

The winners of this year's Haywards Heath 'In Bloom' Art Competition for Care and Nursing Residential Homes were announced at the annual 'In Bloom' Tea Party held at the Town Hall on Sunday 14th May.

The theme of this year's competition 'A Bouquet of Memories' produced visibly stunning canvases which were displayed and voted on at the Haywards Heath Town Council Spring Festival.

First place was taken by Maplehurst Nursing Home who produced a vase and flowers made of memories including a recording of the story. Second and third places went to Compton House Nursing Home and Oakwood Court Care Home. Prizes were awarded to the winning homes by Haywards Heath 'In Bloom' Chairman, Cllr Sandy Ellis, and the Tea Party, which was attended by residents and staff from the homes involved, was a tremendous success. Entertainment at the Tea Party was kindly provided by Tania Rodd, a local singer and songwriter who is soon to produce her own album.

Cllr Sandy Ellis says, "We were amazed and delighted with the wonderful works of art that were produced for this year's Art Competition. These will now be proudly displayed in each of the homes who entered our competition."

The 'In Bloom' Committee are delighted to donate the Hanging Baskets produced at the Hanging Basket Workshop held at this year's Spring Festival to each of the homes who entered our Art Competition. This will brighten their gardens and ensures that every care home who entered is a winner.

We hope that this event continues to grow and that more homes are able to take part next year as this really is a fantastic event for residents to participate in and to create beautiful pieces of art to display at their homes."

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Attached: Individual photos of Art Project entries
photos of tea party

Notes to Editor: The Hanging Basket project was supported by Mid Sussex District Council through a £300 grant from their Spotlights Grants Scheme.

Haywards Heath 'In Bloom' Committee were also delighted to receive donations of plants from the UpCountry Garden Centre.

The Haywards Heath 'In Bloom' Committee is community gardening group run by volunteers who share their horticultural skills with local residents and visitors to Haywards Heath. The aim of the committee is to stimulate social interactions, make new friends, learn new hobbies and have a local say on how your community develops and grows by fostering a great sense of community pride. Gardening is a fantastic tool to build strong relationships and makes the community a great place to live and work.