

ARTPEACE AND FRIENDS

A BLOW FOR ARTPEACE: One sad albeit minor aspect in the scheme of things regarding the closure of the Windermere URC Centre on May 25th will be the knock-on effect to Artpeace sales.



For many years, the centre generously provided space in an alcove on their ground floor which I packed with sculptures several times a year. They proved to be a talking point amongst visitors not to mention providing a useful source of income for our friends. The artists were deeply saddened to learn of the closure and of the loss of jobs. They had sent a video in support of the centre which was seen by many on Facebook and touched the hearts of all the staff who worked there but all to no avail. I brought all the pieces back to Walton. However, thanks to visitors who attended our new minister's first service, several

pieces sold which was an unexpected bonus! Photo above left – alcove before and after closure.

LIZENI BACK IN ACTION! There is better news about Lizeni Nasho who feared that after several years of debilitating illness her sculpting days were behind her. Thanks to medical



treatment covered by her sales proceeds and donations, she is now strong enough to work again which is a relief to her family and the group as she is a tremendous artist. Artpeace are busy working on their CV's and sample photos of their art which will be added to Southwark Cathedral's new website which should be up and running in July. With the closure of Windermere, Southwark will become even more important in terms of sales. It was indeed a blessing when Dean Andrew Nunn visited Windermere many years ago and read one of my

flyers and saw their work. There will be a direct link from Southwark's website to St Andrew's website giving their large congregation and others access to all the articles concerning the artists' hardship as well as other activities in our church. Photo above: Lizeni and her latest creation.

NEW VENTURE! Artist Christine Ndoro managed to procure several weeks work up at the awe-



inspiring Victoria Falls and sent these photos to show the congregation. Samples of Christine's and her sister Salome's attractive colourful jewellery have now arrived in London awaiting collection so will soon be on display. They are both single mums and excited that their designs will be for

sale at St Andrew's and also the prestigious Southwark Cathedral shop.

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