## **Press Release:**

## **Lady Bay Arts Trail 2020**

## Weekend 16th & 17th May

Exciting announcement. Lady Bay will be celebrating 25 years of arts events since first launching Open Studios in 1995. Always a forerunner in welcoming visitors to enjoy and find out more about art, Lady Bay guarantees another fantastic weekend introduction to some of the best art and design in the region.

## What's happening this year?

The Arts Trail's reputation for hosting regional artists and designers who live and work in the area means another rare chance to meet artists and to see a range of outstanding art outside galleries and formal exhibitions. Venues this year will be as varied and exciting as ever. Homes, studios and gardens will be opening including local businesses and public spaces in the Scout Hall, Lady Bay Primary and All Hallows Church and Halls. It is anticipated opening a maximum 35 venues with 70 exhibitors.

Lady Bay are pleased to host the exhibition *Evanescent* bringing together a number of regional artists who respond to, or feature the ephemeral and transient in their practice, whether conceptually or more directly. The vision is to create a multi disciplinary space featuring work that speaks to the evanescent and offers the viewer chance to pause and reflect. Other featured shows will be an exhibition by four professional artists celebrating abstract painting with colour in Breckles Hall. A photography show featuring several top Nottingham photographers in Scout Hall is to be confirmed.

Because it's 25 years, plans are to run a community art project aimed at participation for children and adults in the school and other venues. The theme *Back To Nature* will explore our environment and ways which we use materials through art and creativity. Lady Bay School will be a main entry point as a hub of activity with workshops and artists' shows aimed at both children and adults.

More details about the full arts trail line up, accessibility and where to start the arts trail will be announced on social media over the next few weeks and on the Arts Trail website.

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Weekend Ticket: Admission: £5 Adults/Children ender 18 free Start the Arts Trail: Lady Bay Primary, All Hallows Church, Scout Hall & Poppy & Pint. More admission points to be confirmed.

The Arts Trail is organised by artists and designers who live in Lady Bay and who volunteer to plan, advise and organise the arts trail line up. Big thanks to all other volunteers in Lady Bay who pledge their time and support as hosts, organisers and helpers. Also to visitors, especially people in Lady Bay and local businesses for their continued support.