

Symposium

Sharing Memories Building Communities

Wednesday 21 September 2016
2.00pm - 4.30pm
Conference Hall Greenmount College Antrim



A symposium for all those who would like to explore the benefits of creative reminiscence activities for older people and who would like to learn about the training opportunities available for staff, volunteers and carers in reminiscence and life story work.

Keynote Speaker

Pam Schweitzer, author, theatre director, trainer and lecturer, founder of the Age Exchange Theatre Trust, the European Reminiscence Network and of the world's first Reminiscence Centre in Blackheath in London.

RSVP avrilfairbrother@rnni.org by **12 September** as places are limited for the Symposium and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

The Reminiscence Network NI has been working in partnership with the Northern Health and Social Care Trust over the last four years to improve the well-being of older people through creative reminiscence activities and life story work. To date over 500 people have benefited from our programmes and in view of this success, the Big Lottery Fund have extended funding for another year. Our focus in 2016-17 will be to continue these innovative and stimulating programmes alongside training and mentoring to embed high standards of reminiscence work as a legacy of the project.

This is a great opportunity not to be missed!



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1.30 - 2.00pm	RNNI's AGM
2.00 - 2.30pm	Refreshments
2.30 - 4.30pm	Symposium

Everyone is invited to join us for the AGM. If you are unable to attend the AGM please join us for refreshments at 2.00pm.

Symposium Programme Welcome and Introduction

Inspired

This innovative feasibility study by the Ulster University aims at testing the effects of individual specific reminiscence, facilitated through the use of an iPad App on the relationship between people living with dementia and their family carer.

Dr Claire McCauley

External evaluation

Presentation of the external evaluation of the Sharing Memories Building Communities project. Brian Stratford from Brian Stratford and Associates

The Sharing Memories Building Communities extended programme

Reflections on the project and details of the final year's programme by project staff.

Keynote address

Reminiscence: supporting identity and building community.

Pam Schweitzer

