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Creating choice and opportunity for people who are homeless and marginalised

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Amazing News



The future of Mustard Tree looks far more secure following some astonishing news. Anthony Preston, the landlord of our current headquarters, a 21,000ft² warehouse in Ancoats, has made known his intention to gift the premises to us. The gift of the building allows us to now plan for the future, not just in terms of raising the essential money we need to deliver our services year-to-year; but to plan for the next decade. Adrian Nottingham, our CEO states: "Our landlord and his family have always been active supporters of Mustard Tree, but this gift is incredibly generous and humbling. It means that the long-term sustainability of Mustard Tree takes a very big step forward."

#TakeAMoment



We were excited to receive a visit from celebrity Coronation street star Craig Charles who popped in to spread a little stardust as part of ITV's 'This Morning' 25th anniversary celebrations. Craig raised our profile nationally when he brought some music decks with him and entertained us over lunch to some great tunes. Also in the past month we have been joined by a whole host of stars from Ernst & Young, Lloyds TSB, Barclays Bank and Northern Hub & Electrification, all of which have sent teams to wash, paint, sort, train and support us in many practical ways... thank you, your help really does make a difference.

Wish Campaign



Mustard Tree is taking part in the [MEN Wish Campaign](#) which gives not-for-profit organisations in the local area the chance to receive a share of £25,000. Four tokens will be printed in the paper everyday up to Saturday 30 November, and readers are asked to collect and send the tokens to their nominated charity. The more tokens each charity collects, the bigger the share of the £25,000 they receive. Once the campaign ends, just post your collection booklets (these can be downloaded from the MEN website) to the Communications Department, Mustard Tree. 110 Oldham Road, Ancoats, Manchester M4 6AG and we will do the rest!

Art Battle!



On the 12th September 2022NQ held a live painting competition which saw 10 of the UK's most talented artists get involved in Art Battle Manchester in which they had to create a masterpiece in just 30 minutes while 200 audience members picked their favourite piece. John Macaulay the event organiser kindly agreed to donate half of the proceeds raised through the silent auction at the end of the night to Mustard Tree, seeing us receive a fantastic cheque for £550 to help us continue to support Manchester's homeless people. If art is something you want to get involved but struggle to find the space to do it then why not rent one of our studios here at Mustard Tree. For more details contact 'graham@mustardtree.co.uk'.

Progression



Last month saw an exciting new initiative develop within Mustard Tree operations – the launch of the Team Supervisor role. 15 new Supervisors, from among our volunteer-client base, were selected to coordinate our busy operations. The Team Supervisors are responsible for supporting new volunteers and helping coordinate the day-to-day activities across Mustard Tree. The Supervisors will benefit from a programme of regular training to support and equip them for their new role. So far this has included induction training which focused on promoting core Mustard Tree values. Team Supervisor role is intended to train and equip the Supervisors for moving into roles of responsibility once they progress on from Mustard Tree.

Welcome Val



We'd like to introduce you Mustard Tree's newest staff member. Val has been appointed to the role of Customer Service Trainer and is with us two days a week. We deliver a whole raft of training across a wide range of disciplines, which is part of our mission to offer choice and opportunity to people who are homeless and marginalised. Val states, "Mustard Tree is a very buzzing place to work! It has many projects on the go; run and attended by friendly people. Everyone was very welcoming during my first 3 weeks! I look forward to running a successful customer service role!" Welcome on board Val!

"The one thing they asked was that we should continue to remember the poor" Gal 2:10

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