

WHO WE ARE

We are a sheltered, community based workshop part of the Worcestershire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust. The clients who attend our unit are people who have suffered or who are still suffering from a mental illness, which prevents them from seeking full time employment.

REFERRALS

Referrals are made with support of the secondary mental health team.

Referrals should be made by the standard referral form along with copies of a care plan and Risk Assessment where this is available.

A copy of our Conduct policy needs to be read by the applicant before starting any sort of activity, this can be downloaded from our web site or read within the unit.

As part of the referral process, we suggest that the applicant reads our brochure or visits our web site to see what therapeutic activities are available. www.orchardplaceworkshop.co.uk

REFERRAL PROCESS

- Contact the Team Manager in order to identify current vacancies.
- Arrange a visit to the workshop for an informal visit.
- After completion of the referral form send it to the Workshop Manager.
- Once the referral has been discussed, you will be informed of the outcome and, where appropriate, arrangements will be made for you to commence within the Workshop.

Have you found that having a mental health problem combined with experience of being a patient, has:

- ❖ Reduced your self-esteem and confidence, making it difficult to regain control of your life?
- ❖ Made you feel unable to face the pressures and stress of open employment?

Orchard Place aims to improve the quality of life for people with mental health problems.

- ❖ Learn new skills at your own pace, or refresh previously acquired skills.
- ❖ Improve your self-esteem and confidence.

The staff at Orchard Place create a relaxed, informal environment where mistakes are regarded as a good opportunity to learn.

Users of the workshop service, who attend a full day, are provided with a free two course lunch with a morning and afternoon tea break.

BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Friday 8.30am. - 4.30pm.

Tel: 01527 488701

Fax: 01527 488702

Should you need to contact us out of business hours please call on the above telephone number and leave your message.

Peter Bayliss
Workshop Manager

ORCHARD PLACE WORKSHOP



RESOURCE CENTRE FOR PEOPLE RECOVERING FROM MENTAL ILLNESS

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ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE

WOODWORK



Orchard Place Wood Shop provides clients with the chance to gain skills within the furniture trade. Clients produce bespoke items for the general public, building small items such as bird boxes to grand Oak dining room suites, using modern machines and power tools with up to date skills in our well equipped workshop.

CARD & CANDLEMAKING



Clients are taught different methods of candle making e.g. Moulded, dipped, scented and decorated, with a large emphasis placed on health and safety.

Handmade greeting cards are made to order using different methods, including decoupage, teabag folding, iris folding and embossing. These workshops are popular with clients who are a little more creative, and want to learn something that they could continue in their own time. They are encouraged to work in groups, as well as being able to work individually.. The clients participate in the process, from designing through to packaging & selling.

PICTURE FRAMING



Clients can train to make and assemble all manner of frames and mirrors, using the latest equipment in a safe and controlled workshop. They can be creative and learn new skills in a realistic work environment. Commissions are taken from the general public, clients and employees of the Trust - including the Chairman! All the frames are made to measure and there is a wide choice of frames and mounts to suit all tastes, occasions, and budgets. We frame most things from birthday cards to signed football shirts; posters, oils, and tapestries.

OFFICE SKILLS

Clients are encouraged to help with daily skills in the running of the departments such as stock control, ordering, office paperwork including our newsletter using manual and computerised methods. They will also be able to assist in the web site maintenance. and learn to produce AutoCAD drawings for use within the department.

FIX IT



The 'Fix It' service allows clients to experience off site trade skills such as door hanging, painting, tiling plumbing and much more. Training will also be provided during set times of the year with our in-house workshop.

ASSEMBLY



This department is most suitable to clients with limited capabilities, or who need to be eased gently to work. It provides structured, light work in a safe, friendly environment. The clients are encouraged to work in groups, which provide support, reassurance and help to promote social interaction. The work is provided by local companies, who understand our needs. work is varied so we are able to tailor the tasks to the clients' requirements and abilities.