

## ‘Reinvention’

The artist Chris Avis, who organises the exhibitions at Voluntary Action Islington, showed a range of images of older women in her own solo exhibition called ‘Time Passing’ in July, at the Park Theatre in Finsbury Park.

Chris agreed to explore identity and the way that people view themselves as a follow on from this exhibition. She challenged everyone involved with the workshops to consider how the world saw them. Discussions around how they would like to be seen by others led to the development of the theme ‘Reinvention’. Reinventing oneself became the focus of each workshop.

Those who attended The Drovers Centre workshops agreed to use self-portraits as a basis for collage. Each individual wanted to create work that told a story. Andrea Sinclair who normally ran the workshops teamed up with Chris to encourage the activity that took place over three weeks.

The workshops provided a platform for everyone to explore different facets of their own characters. The work was exhibited in the Park Theatre in August and is now being shown at Voluntary Action Islington as part of one of their regular exhibitions.



Sheona, Lesley, Karin and Ruth working on their collages at the Drovers Centre.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Private View on October 15<sup>th</sup> 5.30 -8.00 pm at Voluntary Action Islington.