

# MP MW

mount pleasant media workshop



annual



2000/01

report



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MPMW is an independent Southampton based community arts organisation, a non-profit making Company Limited by Guarantee with charitable status. It was established 23 years ago. It occupies three rooms in Mount Pleasant Junior School consisting of a large darkroom, office and computer training resource base.

MPMW works city wide in partnership with groups of people of all ages and abilities on a wide variety of projects. With each group we work with, all our projects are designed with the participants to meet their own particular needs and the products will be kept by the group to used for their own purpose. Projects with community groups are the main thrust of MPMW's work. We are happy to carry out projects on site or off site.

information

chair's report

For years we've been talking about it; for months we've been hoping it would actually happen. Now we've (nearly) done it!

Our MOVE to new accessible premises within Mount Pleasant Junior School needs to be celebrated. We will do that in Spring 2002 when we have fully settled in. Our dark room is still being built, but it won't be long. And our digital workspace looks good already.

What else can we say?! We hope to increase worker hours and pay to reflect the quantity and quality of work being done, and the opportunities provided by better premises. This will further put into effect aspects of our Development Plan; we are building on a firm foundation of projects and courses which continually expands and has increased our financial base this past year. We are well positioned to extend our activities to more local community groups and individuals, as well as. Come and join us!

Ginny Levett

Caroline Rackham

Read all about it...MPMW have moved premises.

What a transformation - we're finally in our new place and can't believe that we ever squeezed into the tiny space that was our old offices. It's superb - with enough space to swing a cat and do an aerobics session at the same time. No more stairs and a lovely blue carpet - like walking on water!

The serious side of all of this is that we can really make use of the workshop's full potential. Groups can come to us and use the computers and darkroom in a way which was simply not practical before. We're easy to find and we're at the front of a building right at the heart of the community.

Community Arts work is ever changing and MPMW constantly remoulds its profile, but our basic principles still remain. Our projects are still designed to give people an opportunity to show themselves and their environment in positive ways. Images and imaging - be it stills photography or digital imaging - remains a fantastic tool to help people see their world around them, seeing the best and the worst to keep and to change as the need arises. With our new facilities we can bring this tool to more and more people.

So here's to the next year in our sparkly new offices...not to mention the posh new kitchen - anyone for tea?

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Martin Reid

The new century has brought exciting changes here at MPMW; we have moved to new refurbished rooms at the front of Mount Pleasant Junior School.

Although we are still primarily an outreach project, the new space has given us a better laid out and comfortable area for our members and users, not to mention our updated computer training and darkroom (more on page 6).

We continued to be successful in self generating income outside revenue (see page 9) which has allowed us to invest in new equipment and increase the amount of free and low cost courses, projects, and resources to communities in Southampton.

MPMW was one of the first arts organisations in the region to embrace new technologies and has developed a good deal of knowledge in this area. This has led to an increasing demand for our expertise.

On the new technology front - the SCAN consortium workstation, one of nine at arts organisation around the Southern Arts region, has arrived. This Lottery funded project will involve collaborative project work with other consortium members in producing a virtual interactive gallery.

2001/02 will be as busy and exciting as last year.

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## courses

MPMW offers a wide range of courses in design and photography. We run a series of free short courses for Southampton based community groups.

We now run a free darkroom course for beginners/refreshers every month.

Our outreach SouthamptonWeb project offers support to community groups in digital photography, DTP and web site

## facilities

design; this service is also free.

We have a large black and white darkroom with six 35mm



enlargers which is the only community based darkroom in the Southampton area and a dual platform computer training resource (Apple Mac and Windows).

We run an open access resource every Thursday 1pm -9pm (school term only) for individual users who can use our facilities with support on hand from MPMW staff.

We have helped a number of Southampton based organisations produce publicity materials; these sessions can be booked and can take place on or off site.

## Facts & Figures

We worked  
with **53**  
groups

We ran  
**448**  
sessions

and had  
**5082**  
attendances



## projects



Project work has and will continue to be the main thrust of our creative work. This year we worked with over 53 community based groups (see page 8).

We collaborate with a number of organisations including Cultural Service's *Past Presence* project (on left).

MPMW works city wide on range of project work from oral history, web sites, interactive presentations, photo murals, booklets, visual arts, displays, exhibitions and posters.

# who we worked with

Ribbons Centre  
 Cultural services  
 Holyrood youth group  
 Northam 521  
 Crime Concern  
 Black Heritage  
 Mount Pleasant Junior School  
 Townhill Junior School  
 Maytree School  
 St Marks Junior School  
 Bevois Town School  
 St Mary's School  
 Aldershot Military Community  
 Aldershot Military Museum  
 The Fairbairn Centre Deaf Awareness Group  
 Solent Peoples Theatre  
 Face It Project  
 Coxford Adventure Playground  
 Zoe Braithwaite Centre  
 West End Arts Centre  
 St Mary's Festival  
 Southampton Institute  
 Happy Project  
 Eling School

New Deal Thornill  
 Point Dance and Arts Centre  
 Southern Counties Radio  
 Maytree Nursery  
 Millennium Volunteers  
 Play Services  
 Year of the Artist  
 Southern Arts  
 Art Asia  
 Your Shout Millennium Awards  
 Hampshire County Council  
 Southampton Environment Centre  
 Kanes Hill Traveller Site  
 Madabout  
 Steps Wood works Group (Bedford House)  
 Warren Centre  
 Confederation of African Caribbean Organisations  
 Southampton Youth Services  
 No Limits  
 Harefield Community Centre  
 Millennium Volunteers  
 Southampton Scouts Association  
 Foto-Net South  
 Southampton Children's Play Association  
 The Gantry Arts Centre  
 St. Dismas  
 WEA  
 Sure Start

# money



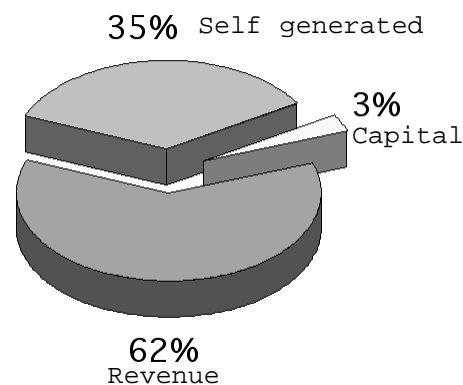
MPMW had a good deal of paid project 2000/01 in fact it turned out to be our best year ever!

On the back of this success our policy of charging on a group's/individual's ability to pay has meant an increase in the amount of free and low cost projects and resources to our Southampton users, which will increase in 2001/02

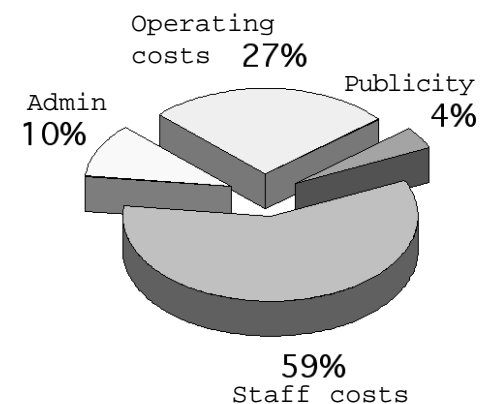
We were able to carry over funds to allow us to invest in equipment and resources for our newly refurbished premises at the front of Mount Pleasant Junior School.

Thanks to Southampton Council for their continued support and Mount Pleasant junior School.

income £59,362



expenditure £52,760



# audit

**MOUNT PLEASANT MEDIA WORKSHOP**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001**

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2000/01</u> £	<u>1999/00</u> £
<b>INCOME</b>			
Grants received	2	38,641	37,120
Other income arising in furtherance of the charity's objectives	3	20,721	14,359
		<u>59,362</u>	<u>51,479</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Cost of generating funds	4	2,255	50
Operating activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives	5	42,167	39,378
Management and administration	7	8,338	7,492
		<u>52,760</u>	<u>46,920</u>
<b>SURPLUS ON OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Bank interest received		256	185
<b>SURPLUS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>			
		6,858	4,744
Corporation Tax	15	-	-
<b>SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR AFTER TAXATION</b>			
		6,858	4,744
Income and expenditure account brought forward		5,557	8,338
Transfer to capital reserve	11	- 313	- 5,039
Transfer from capital reserve	11	2,688	3,514
Transfer to designated reserve	12	- 6,000	- 6,000
<b>BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>£8,790</u>	<u>£5,557</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses in 2001 or 2000 other than the income and expenditure for the year.



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