

Where the Arts Begin is part of *Where the Arts Belong*, a ground-breaking partnership between **Bluecoat**, Liverpool's centre for the contemporary arts, innovative dementia care provider **Belong**, and **The Atkinson**, Southport's home for the arts, culture and heritage.

The project offers the chance for people living with dementia, and those who support them to learn new skills, rekindle forgotten interests and work with practising artists to tell stories about their lives and experiences.



“It allows a different form of expression which sometimes you can’t articulate in words, and that’s very precious” –
Project participant,
Belong Crewe

Our artists’ residencies at the Belong Village in Crewe have stimulated residents and their carers alike, sparking new friendships and uncovering talents. Future artists’ residencies are planned for Belong villages in Birkdale and Chester.



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