

## UK



### Looking ahead in Harrogate...

As we once again find ourselves reaching capacity for our services, we're delighted to introduce some new sessions to our timetable; enabling us to reach more of the disabled community looking for both training and activities.

Our UK Team is busy fundraising and grant writing to allow us to continue to expand our services to meet demand. Steering and co-production groups allow us to be beneficiary-led in our plans, making sure that we provide what our incredible members would like to be able to access; whether that's a trip to the theatre with friends or movie nights at the Cafe. We hope to be able to bring good news in the months ahead as we strive to achieve our dreams! We've enjoyed a fun filled summer with our members being busy in our sessions, enjoying our holidays and being part of the wonderful Harrogate Lego trail

## FUNDRAISING



- Join us on **Saturday 19th October** for a **Latin American Night** at the Artizan Cafe (Harrogate), for a delicious Peruvian starter & main course followed by sumptuous Ecuadorian desserts! In aid of our project in Ecuador, which is transforming the lives of our artisans such as Alba, whose story is below. Tickets are available at [www.artizaninternational.org/events](http://www.artizaninternational.org/events). Look out for other events coming soon too!
- Harry's epic sponsored bike ride to the Pyramids continues! You can find his sponsorship page at:

<https://artizaninternational.enthuse.com/cf/harrogate-to-the-pyramids>

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## ECUADOR



**Alba's story:** Alba makes beaded jewellery by touch, rather than by sight. It's incredible how she deftly picks up each bead and slides it on to the special blunt-ended needles that we provide for her, and our other two visually impaired artisans Adriana and Sammy (above right). Alba has a daughter who she's proudly able to support through the work that she does for Arizan. Our project leaders Carlos and Jessica visit her at home each fortnight to purchase her work and deliver her materials. Working for Artizan has given her a community of colleagues and friends, as well as a vital way of supporting her family. The commitment that our project leaders show is testament to their dedication to support and encourage all our artisans there, for whom the Artizan family is a lifeline. You can find Alba's work on our online shop here: [www.artizaninternational.com](http://www.artizaninternational.com))

## PERU



Our artisans in Peru have been commissioned to make two mosaics for the British Ambassador's official residence in Lima (see the designs above). This is a really important opportunity for them to have their work seen by the Peruvian president, government ministers and many other high-level decision makers in Peru, who are frequent visitors to the property. It puts the talents of disabled people permanently on view for all to see, and will be mounted in pride of place at the entrance. They've also been asked to make commemorative gifts from the Ambassador to all the guests attending the international Hay Literature festival in November, after the success of the sewn bookmarks they made for the event last year. This is another way of not just supporting the artisans through purchasing their work, but also positively transforming attitudes towards them, as guests attend from all over Peru and from overseas too.

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