

# West of Scotland

What's going on • Autumn/Winter 2018

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## A Big Performance for Jaqui

One of our supported individuals, Jaqui, performed in George Square as part of the Glasgow 2018 European Championships. Jaqui performed as part of a band, set up by Dave McClusky at Touch Base. This was a great opportunity to showcase their talents and entertain in the city centre. Jaqui along with peers, all attend Sensatronic music sessions at Touch Base in Kinning Park, where they enjoy perfecting their musical skills.



## Well done Andrew!

Well done to Andrew who earned £47 by selling his artwork through Project Ability. Andrew's artwork was an untitled piece of work featuring an Elephant and was displayed in May at an exhibition held at Mono in Glasgow.

# K-Otic plans for their next show!



Hot off the heels from just finishing their recent performance, 'The Greatest Show', K-Otic Productions have wasted no time in preparing for this year's Christmas performance. K-Otic is an exceptional organisation offering drama, music, dance, improvisation and movement skills to autistic adults. Raising confidence and self-esteem, K-Otic offer a person-centred approach where autistic adults come together and bring their own ideas and skills to produce their own interpretations of great shows. As well as building relationships and working together as a team, some have already brought their own ideas for the next showcase.

After a warm welcome from what really is a 'family', Monday morning began with our usual get together to find out what everyone has been up to since we last met. The conversation then led to everyone suggesting ideas for their next performance, talking about their favourite pantomimes and movies. It wasn't long before everyone was offering their favourite songs and taking turns to perform, which was followed by improvisation where the tallest of the group suggested he wouldn't mind being 'Tiny Tim'. From there, a character was born and the idea of 'A Christmas Carol' - K-Otic Style - became the chosen favourite.

The next few weeks will give everyone the opportunity to bring together their own script ideas, song choices, reading and acting skills. Following instruction in dance and movement from K-Otic's dance teacher and fabulous leadership from Sandra and the K-Otic team, everyone who attends will be guaranteed a super show in the lead up to Christmas - keep a look out for the date.

## A busy summer for Scott

Scott enjoyed a lovely day on Sweeney Cruise on the Loch Lomond in July. He enjoyed it so much he now wants to go on other short cruise rides. A fab day!



Scott enjoyed an evening at the Edinburgh Tattoo and took some of these photos himself. He is keen to return to the festival next year.

Scott was joined by staff on a week's holiday to North Uist. He had a fab time where he did lots of walking, fishing, meals out and a BBQ in his own holiday cottage. The weather was beautiful too which made the trip even more perfect!

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