

**A Day In Our Lives'** is a project in partnership with Helix Arts, Tyneside Cyrenians and Trading Places. Volunteers, service users and rough sleepers are welcome to join us at Crisis, Skylights every Thursday (3-6pm) to have fun and to learn new skills such as photography, video, creative writing, book publishing and more. You can also join us every Thursday morning (9-11pm) at Ron Eager House for taster sessions soon. Watch this space!



Photographs taken by the participants

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## Photography

From March to May 2008, we have been doing photography with Magali Pettier. During this period, we did activities such as learning black and white (B&W) traditional photography using SLR (Single Lens Reflex) cameras, going to the B&W darkrooms at Newcastle College to develop our own photographs and using studio lighting to create portraits. Moreover, we went to Rowlands Gill and Druridge Bay to explore shadows, perspectives and movement. We also investigated the streets of Newcastle to look at 'social exclusion'. Furthermore, we went to the Side Gallery in Newcastle and National Contemporary Art Gallery in Sunderland to look at the art of portraiture and story making using photography. Finally, the work produced was edited and exhibited at Crisis, Skylights (May 29 - Mid June 2008).

## Events / What's next?

After our small exhibition held at Crisis, Skylights on May 29 2008, our next big thing is to produce a book which will contain the photographs and the writing produced. In August, we will design it with Joe White. Keep an eye to see our progress!



## Creative Writing

For five weeks (June-July 2008) we did Creative Writing with Bob Beagrie. Using the photographs we had taken during the last 3 months as well as other techniques, everyone of us has written one or several poems or stories about subjects that inspire us. All the written pieces will be included in the photographic book that we are currently creating. Here is an example written by a number of participants.



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