

COMMUNITY GALLERY • BIRMINGHAM MUSEUM & ART GALLERY

# Me, You and Everything Else

Active  
Arts  
Castle  
Vale

A photographic project looking at life on  
**Castle Vale** as it is lived today



COMMUNITY GALLERY PRIVATE VIEW INVITE

Thursday 17 November 2011

6pm – 8pm

Community Gallery  
Great Charles Street  
Queensway entrance

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It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the private view of the exhibition **Me, You and Everything Else** taking place at the Community Gallery, Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery.

The Community Gallery showcases the talent of our communities and provides an insight into our rich local neighbourhoods through an exciting programme of exhibitions and events. Displays are created in collaboration with community groups, inviting new audiences and visitors to interact and explore artworks and subject matter.

Through words and photographs, **Me, You and Everything Else** offers a compelling portrait of life on Castle Vale Estate as it is lived today. Originally the site of an airfield and aircraft production in the Second World War, the estate, which was first built in the early 60s, was completely redeveloped in the 1990s. For the project, young people from Castle Vale Performing Arts College and the Sanctuary Youth Centre worked with older participants from Castle Vale Community Housing Association sheltered housing and Active Arts to create their own view of the estate as they see it, of friends and family and of themselves.

Our launch on Thursday 17 November will begin at 6pm with speeches, light refreshments and a private view of the exhibition. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the display and to meet the participants and artists involved.

We would be delighted if you could join us at this event. Please RSVP to [caroline\\_villiers-stuart@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:caroline_villiers-stuart@birmingham.gov.uk) or call 0121 675 3500. Guests should arrive at the Great Charles Street Queensway entrance. I look forward to seeing you on the 17th November for what promises to be a tremendous evening!

Yours faithfully,



**Councillor Mullaney**  
Cabinet Member for Leisure Sport & Culture



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