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Four Corners puts mental health in the picture

The success of a Lottery grant from **Awards for All** has given a boost to Four Corners' exciting new photography project *In the Picture*. This innovative scheme will work with people with long-term mental health issues, helping develop their practical photographic skills and individual self-expression. Artwork produced will form an exhibition at Four Corners' Gallery in Summer 2009, raising public awareness and promoting greater understanding of issues surrounding mental health.

The Awards for All grant will provide for key items of new equipment which in conjunction with Four Corners' extensive existing photographic facility will make possible the full creative potential of this project.

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Notes to editor:

Participants will be recruited in collaboration with Core Arts, a Hackney based registered charity that aims to enrich the lives of socially excluded people with severe mental health issues. www.corearts.co.uk

In 2008 Four Corners was one of eight galleries selected to participate in Explore, a national pilot programme focusing on deaf and disabled people as audiences, participants and artists.

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Four Corners is a centre for still and moving image work, based in East London. The Arts and Education programme includes exhibitions, screenings, talks and events. For further information visit www.fourcornersfilm.co.uk





