

# Wish Flags Project: Infinite Arts

Artist Pauline Taylor has worked with a number of groups to create wish flags. Each flag carries words and images drawn and painted to feature some of the thoughts, wishes, and dreams of the people involved.

Based on the concept of Tibetan prayer flags, they are designed to be shown out of doors and either hung like washing or supported by a pole in a wigwam style structure.

This project can be adapted to your group encouraging them to think about what would make the world a better place, with their own text, and images. People can join in at their own level of ability and can use permanent pens to create and colour the designs.

In Tibet – flags which look a bit like these are called Dar Cho. “Dar” means to increase life, fortune and health. “Cho” means all sentient beings. ‘Traditionally, prayer flags are used to promote peace, compassion, strength, and wisdom. The flags do not carry prayers to gods, which is a common misconception; rather, the Tibetans believe the prayers and mantras will be blown by the wind to spread the good will and compassion into all pervading space.’

Here are some of the flags that have been created during our projects in the Northern Centre for Cancer Care, Skegness Day Centre and Castleview Academy.

