

Transcription of conversation with Steve

Amelie : First question : what has it been like to be a part of Artists First?

Steve: It's been great. I've been here a long time.

Amelie: And what do you think have been some of the best bits?

Steve: Meeting different people, like you. Going on trips.

Amelie: What about doing your artwork? How's it felt?

Steve: Good. I've loved going on trips.

Amelie: Are there any special memories that you have from your time at Artists First?

Steve: Working with Andy and Jane.

Amelie: They're very special people aren't they. I've heard a lot about Jane. It seems that she was really kind and really encouraging.

Steve: I'd like to carry on (my artwork) with Nick.

Amelie: Well Andy and I are working on a funding application to try and get some money for both of you to carry on next year so fingers crossed ...

Steve: We should know by Christmas.

Amelie: That's completely right.

Steve: And go on trips. If we have the money for it.

Amelie: So you want to carry on your artwork with Nick and also go on trips. Is there anywhere in particular you'd like to go?

Steve: Arnolfini.

Amelie: Ah yes, the Arnolfini. The RWA is also very nice.

Steve: Easy to get to, practical.

Amelie: Has Artists First made a difference in your life?

Steve: Yes.

Amelie: In a good way?

Steve: Yes. Making lots of friends.

Amelie: It does make a big difference doesn't it, and there are so many people who have been a part of Artists First.

How do you feel about the future? We've already spoken about carrying on artwork with Nick maybe. That would be really good wouldn't it!?

Steve: I'd like to see more paintings by other people.

Amelie: Are there any sorts of paintings which you really like Steve? Paintings of people or animals or buildings?

Steve: People and birds. I love birds. Tweet tweet. Rockin robin.

Amelie: Brilliant - you've answered all the questions Steve. Thanks so much.