



## **The Bethesda Arts Centre – the first people centre**

The Bethesda Arts Centre offers workshops in the arts, resources of materials and a place to work, where local people can discover the richness of self-expression, study the arts, and sell their work from the gallery. Prints, drawings, paintings, textiles, mosaics and stained glass are on display.

The textile art group makes wonderful wallhangings which can be seen in the tapestries gallery. They have attracted important commissions and appeared in several exhibitions. Performances by local

people are staged in the Courtyard Open Air Theatre.

On New Year's Eve, the Centre stages its annual Lantern Festival, which parades through the township bringing a message of new life for each new year.

The Arts Centre is supported by The Bethesda Foundation, a registered UK charity (Registration no 1089122) and The Bethesda Foundation South Africa (NPO 040-915).

Website: [www.bethesdafoundation.org](http://www.bethesdafoundation.org).

