

New Partnership to Strengthen Arts and Health

The **Creative Remedies** website (www.creativeremedies.org.uk) will take the lead on showcasing projects. In late 2009 the website will be rebranded and include case studies which illustrate the range of arts and health work happening in Staffordshire. You will continue to find advice on the site if you want to become involved in arts and health activity.

praXis (www.praxisartsandhealth.org.uk) will focus on supporting practitioners from across the West Midlands to examine arts and health practice by facilitating opportunities for people to explore and critically reflect on their work. The praXis partners will be evaluating this year's programme in November and subject to funding, will launch the 2010 programme in December.

Both Creative Remedies and praXis recognise the importance of regular updates and mailings. In the past Creative Remedies has sent out information on opportunities, and praXis sends its members a regular e-bulletin. As of September 2009 these were combined. The monthly update includes information about arts and health opportunities across the region, praXis learning events and provides a direct link to the Creative Remedies website.

By working together we are not only supporting practitioners to meet new challenges but enabling them to link more directly to the new National Forum for Arts in Health (see our pages on this topic).