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## **Art draws town together**

Street art by Buxton's young generation aimed at helping to draw the community together has been celebrated at special reception in the University of Derby Buxton's Dome campus.

Students from Buxton Community School and Buxton and Leek College turned hoardings on George Street, which mask construction work at The Crescent, into two areas of colourful murals to celebrate Buxton in Bloom and the town's opera and literary Festival.

"This is a brilliant example of the community working together," said Tina Heathcote, of the Buxton Town Team which organised the artwork. "It's all about a lot of people doing a little to make a big difference, which ties in with our motto: All together, better."

Mayor of the High Peak, Councillor Alan Barrow, introduced by Town Crier Bill Weston MBE, unveiled the murals sponsored by Trevor Osborne, of the Buxton Crescent Thermal and Spa Company; Fairfield Builders Supplies and Buxton Building Supplies.

The colourful work on the theme of Flowers and Festivals was also celebrated at the University of Derby Buxton, where a cake in the shape of an artist's palette was ceremonially cut at a reception in the Dome.

"This is a fantastic place for creativity and learning," said Buxton and Leek College Principal Len Tildsley.

Buxton Community School students who took part were Flora Galloway, Shannon-Kate Thomson, Niall Collier, Adam Mycock, Kayleigh Belfield, Sophie Bennett, Becca Baddeley, Tatjhana Rowe, Jake Lownds, Daniel Dobson, Cleo Thibault, Rachael Millward, Gabriel Fox, Amy Gregory, Molly Lewis, Ally Thompson and Charlotte Paul.

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