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Artwork to brighten Cancer Centre

Artwork on loan from Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre will brighten the corridors of the Liverpool Hospital Cancer Therapy Centre, with the launch of an art exhibition at the Cancer Therapy Centre this week (Thursday 13 November).

Visitors can now enjoy 13 artworks, which have been hung in the Cancer Therapy Centre corridors and Chemotherapy Suite.

The project was brought about by James Nguyen, who spent many hours in the Cancer Therapy Centre while his father was undergoing chemotherapy.

James said he felt a sense of helplessness watching his father for hours on end and it was during this time staring at white walls that he came up with the idea to contact Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre.

Liverpool Hospital General Manager Robynne Cooke said she hoped the artwork made patients and their carers feel more at ease.

“We are so pleased to be able to brighten the journey of our cancer patients and their families in this way,” Ms Cooke said.

“Patients undergoing chemotherapy can be at the Hospital for up to six hours at a time undergoing treatment. Anything we can do to help improve their visit to the Centre is worthwhile.

“We are extremely thankful to Liverpool Council and Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre for partnering with us to create the exhibition, which I know will deliver great warmth and vibrancy to the Cancer Therapy Centre,” she said.

Liverpool City Council Mayor Ned Mannoun said he was pleased that Council was able to help improve the treatment environment for patients and visitors to the Hospital by providing the artwork.

“Being in hospital can be a traumatic experience so it is great news that we are able to help provide artwork that helps patients to be more at ease during their treatment,” the Mayor said.

“The Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre is the South West’s premier arts and cultural facility and its collection includes artworks created by many great local artists. It is pleasing that local artists are contributing to the wellbeing of patients at our local hospital through the creation of their work.”