

Hats 400!

a few knitters to many hats...

Inspire's 2020 charity challenge invites you to thread up, cast on and create a warm hat. Can we make 400?

Why 400 hats?

2020 is the anniversary year of the Mayflower journey, marking 400 years since the pilgrims left Nottinghamshire for America. Let's knit a hat for every year!

We look forward to exhibiting all the hats we receive this year on the Inspire website, before they are distributed to charities by **Knit for Peace**.

There are so many reasons to join in:

- Hats are fun to make, find lots of free patterns and designs on the internet, or design your own
- 'Creativity is good for you' getting creative is beneficial to the wellbeing of all people – and that is official ^O
- It's good to have a reason to craft and someone to make for \bigcirc
- The charity recipients will really benefit from your generosity ♥
- You can join in at home 😊
- You can be part of an amazing online exhibition ☺
- The project is part of BBC Get Creative, the UK's biggest celebration of creativity ♥
- You could even go wild and add a pompom ☺

Across the region there are lots of creative projects marking **Mayflower 400** and Inspire are delighted to be working with artist Hetain Patel on "**The Few to the Many**" project, a major new arts commission in Bassetlaw to share this story and reflect on its meaning today. Making local connections with people and place, **Hetain is making a film**, that will premiere in Nottinghamshire and then be shown online across the world!

Hats 400! is one of several Inspire projects spreading the news of Hetain's work - and after months of crafting we hope we will have gone from just a few hats to many!

To follow the exciting progress of The Few to the Many (funded by Arts Council England) project, keep your eyes on the blog https://fromthefewtothemany.home.blog/





Please fill in and attach the returns label below to your kind donations before handing them in at **your nearest Inspire Library**. All hats received will be displayed online later this year.



Visit:



For information about their charity work and free patterns <u>https://knitforpeace.org.uk/</u>

