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Kings Hill community inspires artist Yinka Ilori, MBE

Members of the community joined renowned designer Yinka Ilori, MBE, in a series of interactive workshops that will culminate in a new public art installation in Kings Hill.

The Patterns in the Park event saw residents take part in two workshops – a smell walk that explored the different scents to be found in Kings Hill and stitch school.

Yinka Ilori, a multi-disciplinary artist who was recently appointed Artist in Residence in Kings Hill, will draw on the day to help inform the public artwork he has been commissioned to create by Kings Hill development partners Liberty Property Trust and Kent County Council.

Yinka Ilori said: "It was really great to engage with families and children from the Kings Hill community and to explore with them my apple inspired concept for the public art commission.

"These interactions during my residency are helping to influence my design process as I develop my ideas further and I'm looking forward to the next workshops."

The artwork being commissioned is being curated by Turner Contemporary and academic partner the University for the Creative Arts (UCA). It will be installed in the garden village's new park in spring 2022.

Liberty Property Trust's Caroline Binns added: "This will be the last significant public art commission for Kings Hill and it was wonderful to see the community so closely involved with its conception, alongside students from UCA."

Further workshops are planned for later this year – regular updates as to how the Kings Hill community can participate will be posted at www.kings-hill.com/uca-turner-contemporary-public-art

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Photo captions

Smell walk (L to R): Smellscape artist/designer Dr Kate McLean, University of the Creative Arts (UCA) student Aishat Bello and Sarah Martin of the Turner Contemporary

Group (L to R): – Professor Terry Perk of the University of the Creative Arts (UCA), Caroline Binns of Liberty Property Trust, artist Yinka Ilori and Sarah Martin of the Turner Contemporary

Stitch School – Artist Yinka Ilori (right) with Femi Isimi and children Kayin and Keyemo

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