

Art is Key

Arts Engagement Projects

Engages young people in creative arts through which they explore and share their experiences of growing up with HIV. Working with professionals they gain creative and technical skills.


Art is Key film project-“If you knew”

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Lyric

TURTLE
KEYARTS

UNLOCKING CREATIVE POTENTIAL


 BORN IN ZIMBABWE
 RAISED MOSTLY BY
 MY GRANDMA
 HAINT A CLUE ABOUT
 MY STATUS

"I WAS ALWAYS
 AN UNUSUAL GIRL
 - NO FIXED PERSONALITY"

"DON'T
 TELL
 ANYONE"

"I THOUGHT
 NO ONE
 WOULD
 EVER
 FALL IN
 LOVE
 WITH
 ME..."

"I IMMEDIATELY
 THOUGHT THAT
 PEOPLE COULD
 TELL I HAD
 IT"

"I STILL CAN'T TELL ANYONE...
 NO MATTER HOW MUCH
 I TRY..."

CHIVA
 is my home
 away from home...

BELONG
 HERE

I WANT TO
 SEE THE WORLD

I WANT TO
 LEARN TO
 BE POSITIVE
 ABOUT IT

MOST OF
 ALL...

**I WANT TO
 BE
 FREE**

Came to the UK when
 I was 3/4.
 Was born in Malawi.
 Had a new step dad and
 sister.
 Started taking meds as
 a child.
 Nurse told me I had
 HIV, mum was there.
 I didn't take it seriously
 because it didn't sink
 in. I was 12/13.
 Decided to ignore it
 and pretend it didn't
 exist.
 Went camp and made
 close friends.

My main focus at the
 moment is school.
 I want to go to uni.
 Trying to find myself
 and know who I am.
 Ended old friendships and
 started new.
 Dealing with family problems.
 Came to terms with HIV
 though I still don't like
 talking about it.
I HATE taking meds.
 Changed meds and joined
 900 clinic.

Real DAD?

Married with
 kids. A professional
 psychologist. Living in Australia.
 A boxer puppy called Nolly. Nice
 BIG house and a car
 and a 500 car in Olus.
 LOADS of money. Happy
 and healthy kids.
 Be a good
 man/
 wife.



