

Andra Levite praises the NGO 'Latvian movement for independent living' for its efforts and on-going projects

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On 1 December, the First Lady of Latvia Mrs Andra Levite visited the art exhibition 'Creation of the world'. Art exhibition consists of paintings created by 12 young people with severe physical and developmental disabilities under day care and assistance of NGO 'Latvian movement for independent living' and its high standards of care.

Mrs Levite and experts of NGO 'Latvian movement for independent living' discussed the progress with implementation of 'Group home for independent living' project. Andra Levite thanked NGO for its efforts and dedication, praising the staff for their time and attention to the needs of youngsters.

NGO briefed Mrs Levite about its membership in the European Association of Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities (EASPD). Such membership allows movement to work with apprentices from Latvia and other countries as well. NGO is very much open to cooperation with volunteers, which is particularly important for students and families, for example, in scope of Candle Workshop or Day Care initiatives.

'Creation of the world' is an exhibition of paintings created jointly with prominent Latvian artists: Līga Ķempe, Sabīne Līva, Maija Muižniece, Patricija Brekte-Pannetier, Kristīne Kutepova, Pēteris Līdaka, Elizabete Melbārzs, Sofija Emma, Alise Mediņa, Ieva Rubene, Jana Nesteroviča and Ilze Smildziņa. Paintings are up for sale on online auction. In addition to exhibition gallery also offers to buy candles produced in scope of 'Latvian movement for independent living' social project 'Million candles for group home'. Profit from auctioning of the paintings will be directed into construction of group home. Exhibition 'Creation of the world' is open until 17 January at 28 Aspazijas Blvd, Riga, from Tuesday to Thursday, 11 pm to 6 am.

NGO 'Latvian movement for independent living' provides day care services to adults with severe mental illnesses. For more

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