

Scotland's Prisons

- 15 institutions (capacity of 8,512)
- 7929 prisoners (143 per 100,000)

There are fifteen prisons, two of which are privately run.

In response to current trends, a statutory presumption against prison sentences of less than three months has been introduced. The Scottish Prison Service are also moving towards the creation of community custody units to strengthen the focus on community integration and intensive family support.

Reoffending is also a major cause for concern across the UK as a whole with over 45% of adults being reconvicted within a year of being released. The cost of this reoffending is estimated to cost the taxpayer between 11 and 15 million Euros per year (Prisoners' Education Trust).

Scottish Prison Service Strategy

Unlocking Potential, Transforming Lives

The Scottish Prison Service education strategy (2016) centres around the mantra Unlocking Potential and Transforming Lives. Every prisoner in their care should now have:

“the opportunity to engage in creative and flexible learning that unlocks [their] potential and inspires change and builds individual strength”.

It seeks to achieve this through an education provision which blends formal, non-formal and informal learning activities.



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Art, Identity and Desistance

Presented by Iñigo Garrido



An Arts Magazine created and produced by Prisoners



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Experiential Learning



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Transferable Skills

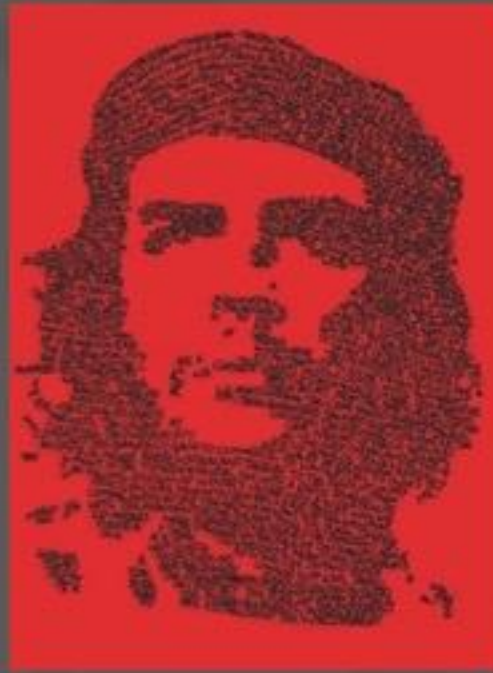


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Art in Prison not Prison Art



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ST/R ENGAGEMENT

"You have no idea what a difference you have just made to a woman who was going through a really really bad time. Thank you - she will work on the article and I'll get it to you."

Nikki Cameron, HMP Cornton Vale, Learning Centre Manager"



ST/R INCLUSIVITY



Prisoner Voice



ST/R QUOTES

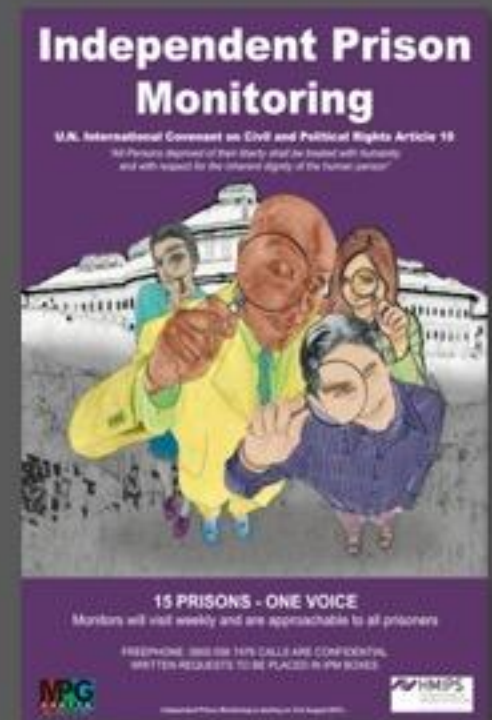
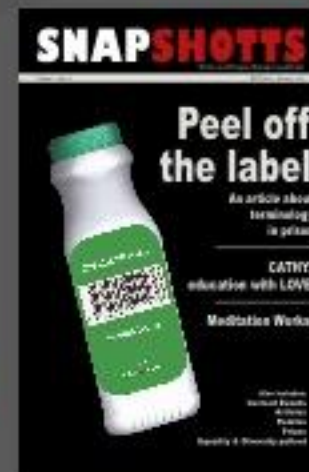
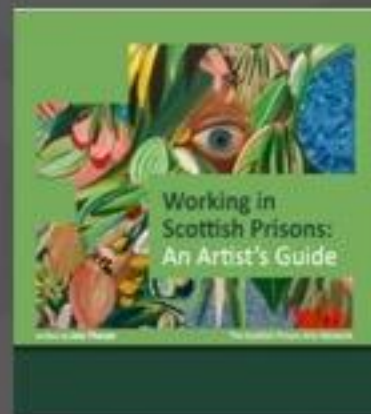
"I am writing to congratulate the STIR Magazine Editorial Board for achieving its fourth honour by winning the Education category within the prestigious Herald Society Awards. Since its inception, STIR has provided an effective outlet for the expression of artistic talent and generated much praise and debate across the Scottish Prison estate."

Colin McConnell, SPS Chief Executive



ST/R STATISTICS

- We have published 14 issues, printing over **22,000** copies in all.
- Over **1,000** prisoners have contributed to STIR so far.
- Over **3,150** entries have been submitted (Artwork, Written and Music)
- We now receive approximately **340** submissions per issue



Creative Media Production Group - Shotts

ST/R AWARDS

EDUCATION INITIATIVE GRAPHIC DESIGN CHAIRMANS AWARD MAGAZINE JOURNALISM

New College Lanarkshire

ILLUSTRATION DESIGN VISUAL COMMUNICATION



ST/R ON RELEASE



EVOLVE ART

Willie Sinclair

An Art Studio facility for ex-prisoners set-up by a former prisoner. Many people, while incarcerated, attend creative classes and discover hidden talents which can bring a sense of release, relief, joy, expression and happiness. This studio outside allows them to continue their practice.



STREET CONES

Hugh Young

A Theatre company set up by former prisoners to work with those in the criminal justice system and young people who are in danger of becoming involved in crime.

