



## Opening of Art and Faith Resource Centre

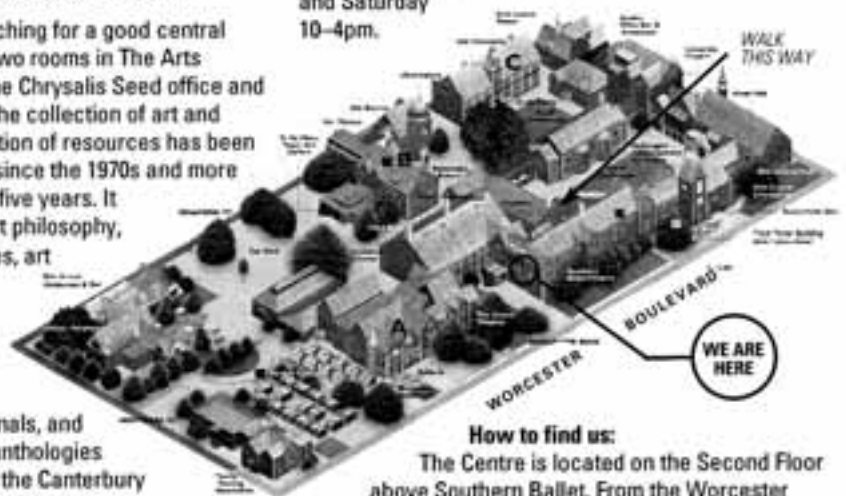
An Art and Faith Resource Centre has been in the pipeline for a number of years and it's exciting to see the dream finally materialise. In 1999 a questionnaire was sent out to various Seven Plus artists asking for their input on a resource centre. Many of the respondents could see the value of a multi-purpose centre which could be an informal meeting point for local artists, a networking base for Christian art professionals, a resource of current art journals and publications, a library of art and faith material, a place to inquire about art funding and local art news, and a home base for the Chrysalis Seed collectives.

After many months of searching for a good central site, we have now leased two rooms in The Arts Centre. One room will be the Chrysalis Seed office and the other room will house the collection of art and faith resources. The collection of resources has been gathered together loosely since the 1970s and more specifically during the last five years. It includes publications on art philosophy, art and faith, art biographies, art history reference books, New Zealand art, and art genre and instructional books. The Centre subscribes to over twenty art and literary journals, and has a collection of poetry anthologies with a focus on poets from the Canterbury region. We have funding information on file and have a resource of art web sites throughout the world.

Although the initial focus has been on visual arts and poetry, the true vision of Chrysalis Seed extends to all media and art forms including theatre, dance, music, design, art education, history and philosophy, fiction and non-fiction writing, and so on. We are committed to biculturalism and want to encourage the rich taonga of artists of our nation.

We welcome all artists, art professionals, art lovers and others who want to find out more about Chrysalis Seed or our resource centre to come and visit. We would love to hear any suggestions you have for the Centre and we will shortly be looking for volunteers to assist at the Centre.

**You are warmly invited to attend** the opening week of the Chrysalis Seed Art and Faith Resource Centre from Tuesday 27-31 March, Tuesday – Friday 12.30–5.30pm and Saturday 10am–4pm. After the opening week the Centre will be open Monday – Friday 12.30–5.30, and Saturday 10–4pm.



### How to find us:

The Centre is located on the Second Floor above Southern Ballet. From the Worcester Street Boulevard (Museum end) enter the North Quad of The Arts Centre by walking through the Clock Tower archway next to Le Cafe. Turn left and walk to the Southern Ballet and Cloisters Theatre entrance. Go through this entry and up the flight of stairs. Turn right and walk to the end of the hallway and go up the flight of stairs on the right. Walk to the end of the corridor where you will see the Chrysalis Seed Trust sign on a doorway to the left.