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## PRESS RELEASE

***Women Welcome Women World Wide (5W) are delighted to announce an exhibition at High Wycombe Museum from 21 July to 4 October 2011.***

We will be displaying 5W treasures collected from around the world. Many presented as gifts to 5W Founder, Frances Alexander and all with their own special memories of the women, countries and cultures that make up this unique organisation.



*5W members at a recent meeting in Cologne, Germany*

A beautiful wall hanging produced from individual panels made by 5W members around the world, depicting their lives, cultures and interests illustrates the diversity of our members. Including a panel of the Statue of Liberty made by a New York member in the emotional aftermath of September 11<sup>th</sup>, a beautifully embroidered scene illustrating the exotic plants and animals of Zimbabwe, desert flowers of Chile, the kiwis of New Zealand, the traditional Hine Dolls of Japan and a picturesque English flower garden. All joined together as a lasting tribute to the lives of 5W members – a much

needed reminder of the true spirit of friendship and understanding which exists between women all over the world.

5W was founded by Frances Alexander back in 1984 and is now run as a non-profit trust from its office in High Wycombe. The original idea of promoting friendship between women all over the world and encouraging them to travel and visit one another remains the same today. Imagine having friends in every country you might choose to visit? That is exactly what 5W offers, with around 2,500 members in over 80 countries worldwide.

***We hope that our exhibition will provide an opportunity to discover a little more about the wonderful 5W World of Friendship!***

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