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## THE BIG SHOW: SAVING FACES



THIS TOURING exhibition takes its name from a charity that promotes research into the prevention and treatment of oral and facial diseases and injuries. The idea behind the art project, created by **Mark Gilbert** in collaboration with the surgeon **Iain Hutchison**, is to go beyond the possibilities of the before-and-after photographs of facial surgery. A painting, they believe, can delve deeper into someone's character, particularly into the psychology of the subject. Since

April 1999, Gilbert has been artist-in-residence with the Maxillofacial Unit of the Royal London Hospital and has had the chance to get to know his subjects well, such as Henry E. (above), and gain their confidence. His portraits are warmly human and have proved of real therapeutic value.

**John Russell Taylor**

Djanogly Art Gallery, University Park,  
Nottingham, Mon-Sat, 11am-5pm, Sun,  
2-5pm, until Oct 22, free (0115-951 3192)