

## Art in ART

In 2008, site specific artworks by Gina Glover were commissioned to enhance the Assisted Conception Unit (ACU) at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust as part of the Charity's £1 million contribution to the £4 million refurbishment. The Centre provides Assisted Reproduction Technology (ART) and genetic treatment as part of the Women's Health directorate.

The brief was to enhance the environment, helping to make service users feel relaxed, whilst also reflecting ideas and images relating to the setting.

As 'artist in residence' Gina attended meetings, looked down microscopes and asked staff about the ethical decisions facing them every day.

The resulting artworks adorn the walls leading from the entrance, through to the waiting area, as well as the consultation and treatment rooms. Involving collage, painting and photography, the artworks are both aesthetically pleasing and stimulating.

She said: "I am informed by a desire to channel as many voices as possible from the setting into the making of my work."

Gina was awarded the Royal Photographic Society's Hood Medal in 2008 for her "...outstanding advance in photography for public service".

The refurbished facilities have enabled more couples to be assisted, as well as enhancing the experience of service users and provided greater scope for translational research. In addition to the Charity £1 million grant, the Medical Research Council contributed £1.1 million and King's College London funded the remainder of the works.

You can read more about Gina's work [here](#)