## **Performers Network Notes**

Date: 11 November 2021

- Peter McColgan Opera Viva: Successful summer concert, a masterclass with Amanda Roocroft with 10 singers performed in front of an audience and given tips on how to improve. Also recent successful performances of Donzetti's Elixir of Love
- **Brian McCann MYA Space:** Busy with many performances including Dance night audience, Midsummer Night's Dream on Marsh Lane in Bootle. Upcoming Panto.
- Carran Waterfield: Leading on the Cultural Strategy Steering Group, councillor, children's book.
- Annie Spiers: Bootle Strand, In Another Place, Choir Thursday, Art Club Monday.
  Crosby Nativity upcoming. Bootle Strand giant gingerbread house.
  Encouraged people to visit Bootle Strand because there are lots of great things going on.
- Patricia Wordley and Carol Richards Imagine Formby: Director at Imagine
  Formby, money to fund big project to transform alleyways including lighting and
  greenery work with Civic Society and various groups and schools. Imagine Formby
  Arts, Culture and Heritage Group, directed and produced by Arts Group leader and
  Director of First Take movies, Lynne Harwood: <a href="https://vimeo.com/617817865">https://vimeo.com/617817865</a>
- Sam Fulstow: First meeting, youtuber and historical and vintage costuming from 1940s to 1880s: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSD-K2kOUJYFaGODxH06V3w">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSD-K2kOUJYFaGODxH06V3w</a>
- **Richard Talbot**: Has been working on weep for Me Phaedra: Do watch the short clip here https://youtu.be/FxE4ZWPeWss
- Bernie Wheelan Buddy Up Choir: is going well. She is working with a group of teenagers with additional needs put on Christmas show for parents and friends. Socially distancing, some on Zoom and some live.
- Sandra Bell: Not actually performing group as such, going to be in Strand, take Tuesday group and rolling things our next year.
- Tom George: St Paul Church Bootle, Mindfulness Session, Mindful Arts which raised funds to do other projects. Creative writing background. Tom shared a link to new social enterprise running wellbeing projects with mindfulness and creativity www.mindfularts.info
- **Irma**: Latin American Arts Culture Collaboration. Community events in progress including the production of a film and musical cultural content.
- Abi: Collective Encounters Above and Beyond workshops on Zoom 2pm-4pm
  Wednesday and face-to-face every fourth Saturday. Just been part of a cabaret
  about austerity. Knowsley contacts. Women In Action Project. A lot of training, Click
  Centre for Excellence.

Emma Copestake, Sefton CVS's Heritage Development Officer, delivered a short presentation to introduce the Community within Communities: Our Voices to be Heard project funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

The presentation explained that the project included multiple strands including:

- Historic Townships: 9 groups of Volunteer Heritage Researchers will work with Emma to create a banner for their township. These banners will then be brought together in a touring exhibition that will take place towards the end of 2022. The 9 townships are: Bootle, Litherland, Waterloo, Maghull, Aintree, Netherton, Southport, Formby and Crosby.
- Community Grants: the project includes a community grants programme which will be launched in early 2022 for groups to apply for up to £2,000 to run their own heritage projects. Funded projects must take place between April and November.
- **Training**: Throughout the project there will be training opportunities to support groups with their applications, running their projects and evaluating them. If you feel there is a particular training session you would like to be run, please get in touch to let us know.

Sefton CVS conference – still places available and please see link here to book on and find out more

https://seftoncvs.org.uk/

## **Funders**

- Arts Council changes in their grants round which are recently launched <u>https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/ProjectGrants</u>
- Community foundation multiple pots open at the moment including Dulverton Trust which has recently been highlighted– <a href="https://cfmerseyside.org.uk/">https://cfmerseyside.org.uk/</a>
   https://cfmerseyside.org.uk/funds/the-dulverton-trust-fund
- Ph Holt closes January 1<sup>st</sup> https://phholtfoundation.org.uk/
- JMF Rolling applications https://www.jmf.org.uk/
- Steve Morgan Rolling applications https://stevemorganfoundation.org.uk/
- Elizabeth Rathbone Rolling applications http://elizabethrathbonetrust.org/