

Performers Network Notes

Date: 18 May 2022

Face to Face in July at Bootle Strand – In Another Place are happy to host us and share the performance space and plans for the future

Face to Face in Southport in September – Maggi will find a venue, possibly the Temperance Hall, or if any Southport groups can host us that would be brilliant too.

- Group Highlights – all groups updated on their current activity. Lots happening so please do keep sharing any events, information or requests for help through the Whataspp group which is active. If anyone wants to join the Whatsapp group please ask Maggi. I've also attached some information from MYA Space, and the Latin Fiestaval which is in Southport tomorrow – Saturday 21st.
- Southport Cotemporary Arts – Serah told us how in June the Arts trail is back and the group are wanting to engage with different people from diverse backgrounds from across the borough. If you are interested in becoming involved please contact Serah - serah.stringergrech@gmail.com
- Stepping Stones – Michael requested that groups to get in contact if they might be able to deliver Art or drama sessions. Several groups said they were interested so Maggi will put them in touch.
- Peter Feel Good Factory – asked for advice on how to engage with 18-25 year old and additional community members. Rachel talked more about taster sessions and how they helped the holistic harmonies with 5 referrals from Joe and from the taster session at Strand By Me with Michelle. If anybody does need help making links or finding referrals do contact Joe as either he will be able to help or he can share the request with the wider team joe.boyd@seftoncvcs.org.uk
- Heritage project – Maggi asked for advice on fun/ and or different places to put the exhibition or the banners for the township project. The exhibition would comprise of 10 pop up banners so the space required isn't huge. Thanks for all the suggestions that came through and if anyone has any others please email Maggi.
- -Links with Colleges and Universities - Lauren has been linking in with universities and colleges around placements and volunteering so if you have any requests which you think might be good for a student please email Lauren. lauren.jones@seftoncvcs.org.uk Maggi and Richard also zoomed with Salford University recently and they are keen to offer placements so please get in contact if you'd like more information.

- In Another Place – are putting together a performance on the strand by the canal on the August bank holiday. There are lots of opportunities to get involved either for a short performance of 3 minutes or a longer one of 30 minutes. If you are interested please contact Annie annie.spiers@icloud.com
- Jubilee events – lots of events are happening in Sefton for the Jubilee – Maggi will find the best way to share this information with groups and if there is a central hub.
- Collective Encounters - Abi came later on to tell us about the collective encounters, women's theatre groups and creative evaluation training. The training sounds brilliant and hopefully we will be able to organise a date with Abi for the Performers Network and the wider sector.
- Cultural Strategy – the next meeting is in June and Maggi and Cllr Carran Waterfield will attend on behalf of the Performers Network. We will then be able to update on progress at our next meeting in July.
- Lauren will be celebrating it on the 1st June at the volunteer awards. The free event will be 1-4.30pm at Bootle Cricket Club with a cream tea and certificates for all volunteers. If this is something you'd like to go to please contact Lauren lauren.jones@seftoncvcs.org.uk
- Funding – Maggi will continue to keep sharing the funding that is available through this email. One fund that is open and might be of interest to a wide variety of grants is the Living Well Sefton fund which is up to 2k and open June 8th <http://www.livingwellsefton.org.uk/grants.html>