

## ONLINE PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE\*

### FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

**HOLME PLANET** 7:30pm – (approx. 8:15pm)

**Urban Astronaut** – Highly Sprung Performance

**Carbon Capture Sculpture**  
by Leilah Vyner of Dragon Willow

**These Hills are Ours – Roseberry Topping**  
by Daniel Bye and Boff Whalley

**Holmfirth Writers 1**

**Recycled Forest** by fairandfunky

**Clouds Harp Quartet**

### SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

**HOLME VALLEY** 7:30pm – (approx. 8:15pm)

**Xylosound**

**The Drowned Giant** by Slow Cooked Louie

**Holmfirth Writers 2**

**The Whale ‘Plastic Ocean’** by Circo Rum Ba Ba

**WIP** by Kieran Hodgson

### SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

**HOLME FOR THE FUTURE** 7:30pm – (approx 8:15pm)

**Kit and Caboodle** by Thingumajig Theatre

**Puppets in Place** with Callaloo Carnival Arts and  
Reach Performing Arts

**Holmfirth Writers 3**

**Biscuithead and the Biscuit Badgers**

**For more information as to how to join in,  
go to our website or facebook page.**

\* All details correct at time of going to press, programme subject to change.

## OUT AND ABOUT



### INSTALLATIONS

#### **Recycled Forest** BY FAIRANDFUNKY

Take a walk around Holmfirth and see if you can spot all ten shop windows that contain our recycled paper forest. Created by 6 local schools working with local environmental arts organisation, fairandfunky.

#### **Carbon Capture Sculpture (Sands Recreation Ground)** BY LEILAH VYNER OF DRAGON WILLOW COMMISSIONED BY HAF 2020

Visit our carbon capture sculpture commission – beautiful living sculptures which include deer and heron families as well as harlequin trees that link together to form a domed structure.

#### **Solarphones (Holmside Gardens)** BY CHRIS RUFFONI

Unique solar powered instruments comprising chaotic mechanical systems contained within bespoke wooden enclosures, each containing seven tuneable guitar strings, produce random sequences of notes, dictated by the amount of sunlight. Project supported by Sound and Music via the Francis Chagrin Award.



## IN THE COMMUNITY



### ART & CRAFT

#### **Puppets in Place – The Children's Art School WITH LIZ WALKER AND CALLALOO CARNIVAL ARTS WITH REACH PERFORMING ARTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH WOVEN IN KIRKLEES TEXTILE FESTIVAL**

During August, children and their families have been participating in online workshops to create their own unique puppets, gaining new textile skills to decorate them, learning puppet performance skills with Andrew Kim and meeting with photographer, Phil Hack, to capture the puppets on film out and about in Holmfirth. In tonight's online programme, these photographs, along with a new puppet/dance piece created especially for us by Reach Performing Arts, will appear in Sunday's online programme. Images of the other puppets photographed/filmed in the landscape can be found on our website.

Visit our website to view the full gallery:  
[www.holmfirthartsfestival.co.uk/participate](http://www.holmfirthartsfestival.co.uk/participate)

### NEW WRITING

#### **Poems on the Spot** BY HOLMFIRTH WRITERS

Holmfirth Writers' Group have sharpened their pencils and taken flight with inspirations, words and ideas sent in by local people.

Three new pieces of writing (one for each evening) have been filmed in the landscape. The rest of the writing is available on our website.



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# WELCOME

## Holmfirth Arts Festival 2020 **ONLINE**

Make sure you don't miss the 2020 Holmfirth Arts Festival as you've never seen it before, still brought to you over three days we have managed to pack it into three evenings of online entertainment.

We bring you all of the usual concerts, theatre, workshops, street theatre and music but from the comfort of your home, in a live stream hosted by Yorkshire's own **Nick Ahad**, writer, journalist and broadcaster. Film makers **John Coombes** of Bikeshed TV and **Tim Copsey** of Empty have combined film footage of Holmfirth during lockdown with films and interviews from artists in our programme to give you an experience which embodies the heart of Holmfirth Arts Festival.

### Pay what you feel

We get financial support from Arts Council England, the Lottery, the Councils and Longley Farm but we will not have our ticket income this year, which we rely on to keep the Festival going, instead we will be operating a **donate by text system\*** on the evenings so if you can donate, please do.

\* Fundraising, payments and donations will be processed and administered by the National Funding Scheme (Charity No: 1149800), operating as DONATE. Texts will be charged at your standard network rate. For Terms & Conditions, see [www.easydonate.org](http://www.easydonate.org)

### Tuning in online

Holmfirth Arts Festival will be available on Facebook and YouTube, or just go to our website and look for the 'tune in' link on our What's On page and click on the link by 7:30pm.



### How to donate

To donate £5, text  
HAF2020 to 70970

To donate £10, text  
HAF2020 to 7019.  
You can donate as often as you like.

### How to access

Search Holmfirth Arts Festival  
Online 2020



## FRIDAY 18 SEPT 7:30PM–8:15PM APPROX

### HOLME PLANET

Our host Nick Ahad will be live online to welcome you to our first evening which will include:

#### Urban Astronaut **BY HIGHLY SPRUNG PERFORMANCE**

Watch footage of the Urban Astronaut as he explores previous landscapes and listen to an interview with the artists. This performance provides a glimpse of a future that might be... where problems surrounding air pollution have grown to a crisis point, is there any way back?

#### Carbon Capture Sculpture

**BY LEILAH VYNER OF DRAGON WILLOW, COMMISSIONED BY HAF 2020**

Festival Director Bev Adams will introduce us to the wildlife camera that has been capturing the visitors to Leilah's beautiful living sculpture installations.

#### These Hills are Ours – Roseberry Topping

**BY DANIEL BYE AND BOFF WHALLEY, PRODUCED BY ARC STOCKTON**

Award-winning Daniel Bye, and Chumbawamba founder member, Boff Whalley, bring together story and song in a collaboration about escaping it all by running to wild places. Watch the film and then hear them interviewed about creating this piece.



#### Holmfirth Writers 1

The first piece (one for each evening) in a collection of new writing inspired by words sent in by the public and filmed in the landscape. More newly written pieces are available on our website.

#### Recycled Forest **BY FAIRANDFUNKY**

A virtual tour of shop windows displaying trees made from recycled paper made by local school children during a home learning project with local environmental arts organisation, fairandfunky.

#### Clouds Harp Quartet

Watch this beautiful performance from the talented four-piece band. Clouds Harp Quartet has been making new music together for the past ten years and have now grown into one of the most respected and ground-breaking harp ensembles in the UK.

## SATURDAY 19 SEPT 7:30PM–8:15PM APPROX

### HOLME VALLEY

Join our live host Nick Ahad again as he welcomes you to our second evening which will include:

#### Xylosound

Xylosound, a band of adults with additional learning needs who play xylophones, percussion and wind instruments, will treat you to unique music inspired by the musicianship of the members of the group.

#### The Drowned Giant

**BY SLOW COOKED LOUIE, COMMISSIONED BY HAF 2020**

A concert and interview filmed in Holmfirth Parish Church specially for the Festival, join experimental cellist, Louie Barby collaborating with visual artist Jada Loin, to present a new music commission for Holmfirth Arts Festival.

Adapted from the J G Ballard story of the same name, the concert explores ideas of identity and empathy in a world troubled with climate anxiety.

#### Holmfirth Writers 2

A second piece of new writing recorded in the landscape and inspired by local ideas.

#### The Whale 'Plastic Ocean' **BY CIRCO RUM BA BA**

This multi-talented all female acrobatic troupe bring us a performance of one of their stories from the belly of their enormous inflatable Sperm Whale in the depths of the bubbling, kelp-swirling ocean. With the use of exquisite puppets, comedy and music, they explore the tale of sea creatures and their battle to survive in an ocean full of rubbish.

#### WIP **BY KIERAN HODGSON**

Triple Edinburgh Comedy Award nominee, Kieran Hodgson, has written a sketch especially for us about his deciding to leave London and return to the fresh air and clean living of his home town - Holmfirth!

Previous shows have concerned themselves with France, Cycling, Classical Music, and European Politics.



## SUNDAY 20 SEPT 7:30PM–8:15PM APPROX

### HOLME FOR THE FUTURE

Join our live host Nick Ahad as he welcomes you to our final evening which will include:

#### Kit and Caboodle

Two well-travelled companions open bags and cases to reveal *The Cooking Pot* and a charming story about a woman who sets out in search of a better life. Followed by an interview with Director/Performer Andrew Kim.



#### Puppets in Place – The Children's Art School

**LIZ WALKER AND CALLALOO CARNIVAL ARTS WITH REACH PERFORMING ARTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH WOVEN IN KIRKLEES TEXTILE FESTIVAL**

The Children's Art School and Callaloo Carnival Arts with a team of talented artists have been creating unique puppets and then animating, photographing and filming them in the Holme Valley landscape.

In tonight's online programme, you will see Images of the puppets taken in the landscape alongside a performance of a new puppet/dance piece by Reach Performing Arts.

#### Holmfirth Writers 3

Inspired by local ideas, a third piece of new writing recorded in the landscape.

#### Biscuithead and the Biscuit Badgers

It wouldn't be a festival without a closing party for all the family, so grab your dancing shoes, clear the floor and dance to their classic song *David Attenborough*.



Look out for percussive breaks from local musicians, Banda Na Rua and Valley Beats, scattered throughout the three-day programme.