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Join in the fun with free activities this October half term

Wednesday 20 October: Join Seed this October half term for a series of free creative arts pop up events taking place throughout Sedgemoor. With activities ranging from circus skills and creative writing to badge making and an open mic session there is something for everyone at **Create the Future**.

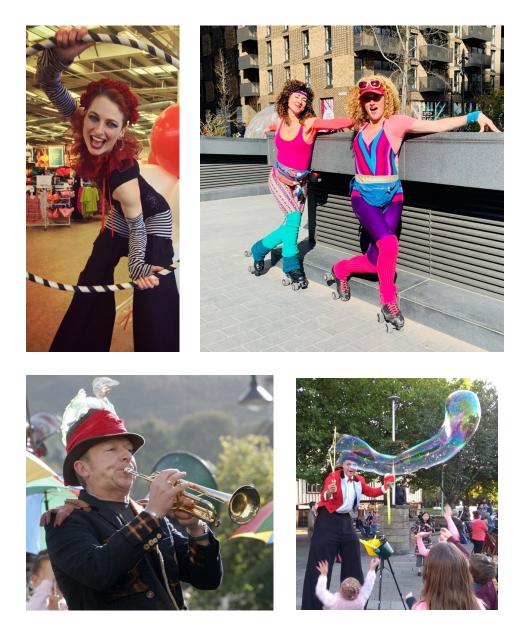
These free **Create the Future** events will be taking place in Highbridge, Bridgwater, Cossington and Cheddar from Tuesday 26th to Friday 29th October. They will offer the opportunity to get involved with a whole host of creative activities suitable for all ages. With performances and displays going on throughout the events, there will be a real 'pop up mini-festival' vibe.

Scott O'Hara, Seed's director says "We want to create more activities and for them to be what local people actually want to do, and so Create the Future will also be an open space for anyone to share their thoughts about the creative activities and opportunities in the area. Please do come along and talk to us about how we can help to make your community more creative." Information gathered at these events will lead directly to commissioning artists and groups to put on future activities and events throughout Sedgemoor by Seed.

Create the Future events will take place on Tuesday 26th October at Highbridge Community Hall, 1.30pm – 3.30pm, Wednesday 27th October at Victoria Park Community Centre in Bridgwater, 1.30pm -3.30pm, Thursday 28th October at Cossington Village Hall, 1.30pm – 3.30pm and Friday 29th October at Cheddar Village Hall, 1pm – 3pm. There is no need to book, just turn up! For more information, email <u>info@seedsedgemoor.com</u>



IMAGES



Full size Images to accompany this release can be downloaded via: <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1VGvQ7Ev8Y5Y8FzmVqkSI9o00nK0_p8ej?usp=sharing</u>

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Seed is a Consortium of local organisations comprising:

Homes in Sedgemoor, Community Council for Somerset, Bridgwater Senior Citizens Forum, Somerset Film; Young Somerset and Bridgwater Town Council.

We believe that arts, culture and creativity are not elite activities, but should be an ordinary part of everyday life, created by, with and for the people. This can be achieved in partnerships with artists in all

forms of the creative arts, working in response to the collective imagination and reflecting the things that are important to the communities of

Sedgemoor. We seek to make creative arts, culture and heritage part of everyday life in Sedgemoor by growing new opportunities for its people to participate, create and celebrate.

Seed is part of Arts Council England's **Creative People and Places** programme **(CPP)**. Creative People and Places is about more people taking the lead in choosing, creating and taking part in arts and culture experiences in the places where they live. There are 33 projects, each located in a place where people are least likely to engage with arts and culture. We've committed £108 million to the programme so far, covering 33 Projects, 33 Places, 30 consortia and 45 local authorities. Since 2013, there have been 4.5 million engagements with the CPP programme and 86% of people who participate in weren't previously engaging regularly with arts and culture.

<u>www.creativepeopleplaces.org.uk</u> <u>www.artscouncil.org.uk/creative-people-and-places/creative-people-and-places-projects</u>

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