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Hat Fair Carnival Teachers Pack

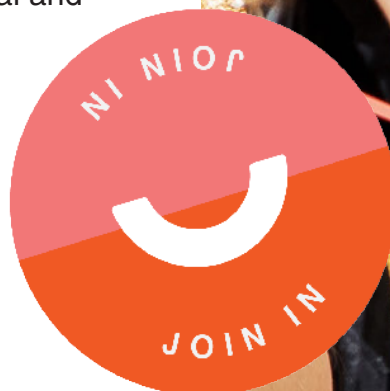
Hat Fair Carnival 2022 'Take to the Streets Again!'

Hat Fair is an Outdoors Arts festival that takes place every year during the first weekend of July across the historic city of Winchester. The festival takes its name from the busking tradition of throwing money into a hat at the end of a performance.

Hat Fair opens with a burst of riotous colour and costumes as hundreds of children from local school parade along Winchester's High Street in our Hat Fair Carnival.

Hat Fair returns **Fri 1 - Sun 3 July 2022** and the Carnival will take place on Fri 1. We have an amazing opportunity for 10 schools to take part. To celebrate our first carnival since lockdown, our theme this year will be '**Take to the Streets Again!**'

We have once again teamed up with The New Carnival Company, a pioneering arts development organisation based on the Isle of Wight specialising in carnival and outdoor public celebrations, to deliver this project. They have a team of highly experienced carnival artist and producers, teachers and trainers, project managers and outdoor event specialists who believe that carnival and other forms of celebratory arts, can make a real difference to people and places.



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Training, development & taking part

This year we are offering two different types of expert training from The New Carnival Company in the following for teachers and practitioners to take part in:

- **Introduction to Carnival costume making skills**
Thu 3 February 2022 - Theatre Royal Winchester
(limited places available)
- **Introduction to Backpacks for Carnival**
Thu 3 March 2022 - Isle of Wight

Note: These are both standalone workshops, you do not need to attend both if you do not wish to do so.

In addition to the workshops schools will receive the following sessions:

- **Introduction to Carnival and initial design**
1 x 2 hour session in your school, led by Playmakers
- **Prototyping your Carnival costume**
1 x 3 hour session, venue TBC, led by The New Carnival Company
- 1 x trouble shooting/support visit
- Teachers will also receive support throughout the process from Playmakers

All training is included. Each school will be allocated £150 towards materials. Any additional materials to be covered by the school.

What will pupils achieve?

- Pupils will have the opportunity to produce costumes and take part in the Hat Fair Carnival 2022.
- Pupils will have the opportunity to develop their creativity in the design and making of their costumes.

The sessions (approx. 6-8 hours) can be delivered to fit in with your school's timetable - 1 day sessions, weekly sessions, or after school sessions. Whatever works best for your school. Please find the full schedule on the final page.

Participating schools will receive an illustrated narrative guide with examples to inspire you with your costume design. Each school is asked to choose their top 3 themes from a list provided. Playmakers will then allocate you one of your chosen themes, to inspire your costume design.

If your school would like to take part, or if you would like further information or an informal chat about the project, please contact Hannah Jones, Engagement Producer, at hannah.j@playtothecrowd.co.uk or call our Box Office on 01962 840 440 (open Tue-Sat, 10am-1pm).

Please confirm your participation by **Thu 16 December 2021** by completing the Google form in the email or contacting Hannah directly.

Artsmark

Taking part in this project will help schools who are working towards Artsmark accreditation. We encourage the integration of Carnival and Outdoor Arts activities into mainstream areas of the curriculum.



Using Carnival in the curriculum...

English

Storytelling, creative writing, poetry, calypso, carnival language, carnival plays

PSHE

Understanding different cultures, diversity, working as a team, citizenship, religious festivals

Music

Soca, chutney, calypso, reggae, African drum, samba, steel pan, call and response, making instruments, junk percussion, music technology

PE

Carnival dance, flag waving, stilt walking, circus skills, martial arts

History

European traditions, colonialism, slavery, diaspora, The Commonwealth, post war migration

Science

Properties of materials, food technology, environmental awareness

Geography

Carnival roots in Africa, Europe, Asia and America, The Caribbean basin, Festivals of the World, migration, anthropology, study of distant environments

ICT

Researching themes, using computers to design costumes, documenting and recording work, carnival newsletters

Arts & Design

Costumes, masks, large sculptures & puppets, textiles, dyeing, pattern cutting, drawing, printmaking

Maths

Calculating quantities, measuring, dimensions scale, geometry, pattern and symmetry

Design & Technology

Experimenting with new materials, technical drawing, creating structure, balance and movement

The Schedule

| Date/Time | Item | Details | Content |
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| 3 February 2022 | Introduction to Carnival Costume Making Skills workshop 1 full day Delivered by: The New Carnival Company Location: Theatre Royal Winchester | A friendly, hands-on, fun course to learn basic Carnival skills to help you support costume making with children and young people. No prior experience necessary. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief history of Carnival Planning and managing your costume production Explore costume making Learn No-sew Learn how to create a variety of Carnival headdresses Learn how to create Carnival accessories |
| 3 March 2022 | Introduction to Backpacks for Carnival Training workshop 1 full day Delivered by: The New Carnival Company Location: Isle of Wight | A friendly, hands-on, fun course to learn Backpack skills to help you support costume making with children and young people. No prior experience necessary. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief history of Carnival Planning and managing your costume production Explore costume making Learn No-sew Learn how to create Backpacks for Carnival Learn how to create a variety of Carnival headdresses Learn how to create Carnival accessories |
| February - March 2022 Date TBC | Introduction to Carnival and initial design session 2 hour session Delivered by: Playmakers Location: In school | A friendly, fun, hands-on session with a member of the Playmakers team. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Hat Fair Carnival and this year's theme. Brief history of Carnival Initial design ideas |
| April 2022 Date TBC | Prototyping your Carnival Costumes 3 hour session Delivered by: The New Carnival Company Location: TBC | The New Carnival Company's artists will be available for 2 days to assist group leaders with transferring your costume design ideas into reality. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create one example of your costume design Create patterns and templates ready for your workshops Experimenting and problem solving Help and guidance with ordering material for costumes |
| April - June 2022 Dates TBC | Making sessions Approx. make time 6-8 hours Delivered by: Teachers Supported by: Playmakers Location: In school | Making sessions can be delivered in different ways to suit your individual schools needs and timetable. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will have patterns and templates to work from |
| May - June 2022 Date TBC | Dance and Choreography 2 hour workshop Delivered by: Playmakers Location: In school | Learn simple Carnival dance steps and routines. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carnival music Carnival dance steps Carnival dance routines Learn how to travel during a parade |
| May - June 2022 Dates TBC | Trouble shooting/support visit Delivered by: The New Carnival Company & Playmakers Location: TBC | The New Carnival Company and Playmakers will be available for advice and support with any issues/problems with your production. | |
| Fri 1 July 2022 | Hat Fair Carnival | More details to follow | |

For further details about how you can join in and get creative visit playmakers.org.uk