

## Theatre Royal Plymouth Community Celebration Week!

TRP sits at the heart of Plymouth and draws 360,000 people into the city centre and to its stages every year. Over the last six months the Theatre's doors have been closed to the public for the first time in its 37-year history, but are this week celebrating their incredible Engagement and Learning projects and the communities that have been built through them.

During the *Community Celebration Week* TRP will be highlighting the amazing work from some of their most successful projects including Funky Llama, Our Space and Dare to Dazzle. In a social takeover their website and social media channels will be sharing theatre work, art and stories from these projects and the incredible people who make them.

Sara Rhodes, Engagement Manager at Theatre Royal Plymouth said: *"This week is a fantastic opportunity to shine a spotlight on the breadth of work TRP does in the community. These projects are so important to us and the people we work with."*

*"We are thrilled to be able to share the amazing new Funky Llama film as part of the week, which gives a real insight into this unique project we have developed across 7 years; a platform for disabled adults to actively participate in the creation and delivery of a programme of activities and professional, inclusive arts events."*

Although TRP hasn't been able to welcome its groups to the Theatre in person in several months, they have continued to provide life-changing experiences to the local community through their workshops online. Each year TRP usually engages 17,000 participants across the wide range of its 60 bespoke community and talent development programmes and works with referral partners across the city and region to engage with particularly vulnerable or isolated groups of people.

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Theatre Royal Plymouth is the UK's largest regional producing theatre. With a focus on embracing the vitality of new talent and supporting emerging and established artists. It collaborates with a range of partners to provide dynamic cultural leadership for the city of Plymouth.