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Theatre Royal Plymouth launches its Festive Appeal



Watch TRP's Festive Appeal launch video: <https://youtu.be/8eZd58w8hs8>

Today (14 November), Theatre Royal Plymouth has launched its annual fundraising appeal, to support its community projects and keep them running in 2023.

Theatre Royal Plymouth works with people from all walks of life, from schoolchildren to local artists, disabled adults to people who have faced challenges including homelessness and mental health issues.

TRP has ran 45 different community projects in 2022, helping participants to boost their confidence, build friendships and develop key skills.

James Mackenzie-Blackman, Chief Executive of Theatre Royal Plymouth, said: *"With rising energy bills, and with the cost-of-living crisis beginning to impact TRP, our annual appeal is crucial to our future success."*



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“Anyone with the capacity to give can be assured that their donations will enable us to reach some of the most vulnerable members of our community and to support us bringing joy to the people of Plymouth and further afield.”

One Young Company participant said: *“It’s a really valuable chance to meet new friends and meet new people.”*

An Our Space participant added: *“It gives me a feeling of belonging and friendship. It stops me from feeling lonely.”*

- In 2022, TRP has led **45** individual projects
- The theatre has run over **1,400** sessions online and in person in 2022
- More than **6,000** participants have engaged in TRP’s projects so far this year
- In 2022, more than **3,600** children have been involved in the theatre’s projects
- TRP has supported over **140** local artists in 2021/22

We appreciate times are tough for many, but anyone wishing to support TRP’s Festive Appeal can donate online at theatreroyal.com/festive-appeal, by calling the Box Office on 01752 267222 or in person when they next visit the theatre.

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Theatre Royal Plymouth (TRP) is a registered charity providing art, education and community engagement in Plymouth and across the region. It engages and inspires with the aim of touching lives. Theatre Royal Plymouth presents a year-round programme of world class productions on all scales as the South West’s principal centre for performing arts.

Theatre Royal Plymouth works with partners to understand the challenges people face accessing the arts, especially vulnerable and disadvantaged people. It creates pathways that are genuinely accessible to those who might otherwise never get to engage with the arts. They collaborate to co-create and co-author work that represents the community, creating the space needed for people to tell their story in their own way.



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.



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