

What's On 2022 – Music Programme



Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th September

The music programme takes place between 11am and 5pm on both days with Twyn Car Park Leaning Tower Main Stage extending until 8pm on Saturday only. From 9am until 11am there will be music played over the PA system in all areas, for visitors until the live acts start!

Area 1 -The Green Lady Stage - Cardiff Road / Kings Arms

Saturday

11.00am – 12.15pm	Genevieve Gyseman
12.30pm - 1.45pm	Solo Project (Duo)
2.00pm – 3.15pm	Ragsy
3.30pm – 5.00pm	Soldiers of Monochrome (Trio)

Sunday

11.00am – 12.15pm	Richard Dinning
12.30pm - 1.45pm	Katie Lou
2.00pm – 3.15pm	Juno (Duo)
3.30pm – 5.00pm	Spencer Flay

Area 2 - Gilbert de Clare Stage – Middle of Town / Glanmors

Saturday

11.00am – 12.15pm	Omega Two
12.30pm - 1.45pm	Frankie Wesson (Duo)
2.00pm – 3.15pm	Tobias Robertson
3.30pm – 5.00pm	Moonstorm

Sunday

11.00am – 12.15pm	Mansel Davies
12.30pm - 1.45pm	Richard Robling
2.00pm – 3.15pm	Ragsy
3.30pm – 5.00pm	Andy & Gos

Area 3 – The Leaning Tower Main Stage – Twyn Car Park

Saturday

11.00am – 12.30pm	The Blues Sisters
12.55pm - 2.25pm	Nerys & The Soul Traders
2.50pm – 4.20pm	This River
4.45pm – 6.15pm	Buck Shizz
6.30pm - 8.00pm	VHS Band

Sunday

11.00am – 12.00pm	Pyramid
12.25pm - 1.25pm	Moon Storm Band
1.50pm – 3.05pm	Cakehole Presley
3.30pm – 5.00pm	The Apple Tree Theory

Area 4 – Castle Court Community Stage - Castle Court Shopping Centre

Saturday

11.00am – 11:45am	Coal River County Boys
12.00pm - 12.45pm	Foxglove
1.00pm – 1.45pm	The Honest Poet
2.00pm – 2.45pm	Mojo Jnr
3.00pm - 3.45pm	Primitive Soul
4.00pm – 5.00pm	Caitlin Mae

Sunday

11.00am – 12.00pm	RecRock Community Music
12.15pm – 12.55pm	Rock Choir
1:10pm - 1:40pm	Kinz
2.00pm - 2.30pm	Laura Jazmyn
2.55pm – 3.55pm	Nookee
4.15pm – 5.00pm	Something Something Avocado

Artist Information

Genevieve Gyseman



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/genevieve.gyseman

Link to music: <https://heyimgenevieve.com>

Genevieve is a Welsh-born singer/songwriter who can often be seen busking up and down Queen Street and the Hayes in Cardiff. In her music Genevieve blends jazzy, soulful vocals with gentle folk guitar, the result is an enchanting and emotionally true sound, that cuts to your heart, while somehow putting a smile on your face.

Solo Project



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/soloprojectsongwriters

Link to music: <http://solo-project.bandcamp.com>

Solo Project, a duo from South Wales, features Dave on vocals and guitar, and Ade on guitar, piano and vocals. The pair regularly perform in venues across the UK and have also forged a successful song-writing partnership. Expect to hear a few of their original compositions, alongside classic songs from the likes of The Beatles, David Bowie, The Verve and U2, with a few surprise covers thrown in too! As key members of the band 'Casual Six', the Solo Project guys have also recently hit the stage at some big festivals, supporting the likes of The Fratellis, The Proclaimers and Basement Jaxx – plus they've just returned from supporting Reef.

Ragsy



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Ragsy

Link to music: www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref=watch_permalink&v=650118015622835

A singer-songwriter / presenter based in Wales, Ragsy is working hard to become an established bilingual artist. He is a proud Welshman on a journey to learn the Welsh language in the hope of one day being fluent. Both speaking and singing and, in his writing, Ragsy is a natural storyteller. Each song takes you on a journey through his life and thoughts, with searing, heartfelt vocals, underpinned with gentle yet solid rhythm from his acoustic guitar. Ragsy appeared on The Voice UK in 2013 and was mentored by fellow countryman Sir Tom Jones. He was also one of eight finalists on 'Can i Gymru / Song for Wales 2018'. His albums 'Ouch!!!' And 'One More for The Road' are available now on CD and from all major download and streaming sites. He has supported established artists such as The Proclaimers, Steve Balsamo, Rosalie Deighton, James Dean Bradfield, Hue and Cry and Max Boyce.

Soldiers of Monochrome



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/soldiersofmonochrome>

Soldiers of Monochrome are old school style hip hop band from South Wales, their music is unique and positive. They write, produce, and record all their own music (but also do some covers). SOM is Lo-Ryder, Wired and DJ Kromatic and they have been together for a few years now having performed over 300 shows in that time from family festivals to night clubs and everything in between. They have played the UK and shows across Europe. The band is due to fly to Nashville later this year for a host of shows and are about to perform at Staffordshire University for a music industry led presentation day. All three work in music and run music projects across South Wales to help young teenagers and to inspire and reach the harder to reach in our community, giving them something positive to aim for. SOM are a guaranteed amazing performance and experience.

Richard Dinning



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Acoustic-i-Richard-Dinning-775059235898826>
Link to music: www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref=watch_permalink&v=1085245668561982

Richard offers a diverse range of numbers with vocals and acoustic guitar; both covers through the decades and quirky originals that offer an insight into his life. All done with a great deal of humour and a harmony pedal!

Katie Lou



Follow on Facebook: <www.facebook.com/katielouofficial>
Link to music: <www.facebook.com/katielouofficial/videos>

Katie Lou is an Americana singer and songwriter from Monmouthshire South Wales and has been gigging around the UK for the past 5 years as a solo artist. Katie Lou brings depth and feeling into every song about friendships, heartbreak, mental health and self-reflection. Starting her musical journey at age 9 Katie has now released an acoustic EP, multiple singles and a debut album on the way. Most recently she was signed to Dirty Carrot Records Newport who have helped her navigate releases and the industry scoring slots in festivals like Between the Trees, Landed, Out and Wild

and Big Love. You can catch Katie anywhere from weddings to your local bar as she is very active in the gigging community so keep your eyes peeled for a show near you!

Juno



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/junoacousticduo

Link to music: www.facebook.com/junoacousticduo/videos

Acoustic jukebox duo with vocals and guitar covers of all your favourites, from Etta James to Arctic Monkeys! Acoustic guitar and vocal duo Maddie Jones, hailing from Ystrad Mynach and Risca, are called Juno because they frequently heard at gigs, "Juno know this song?". Juno offer a wide repertoire of songs from Abba to Amy Winehouse. and can be found in bands such as The Bandaoke Show, The Pandas, Maditronique and Slipped Disco. Dan and Maddie are also involved in community music and run workshops with RecRock and Release the Sounds.

Spencer Flay



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/spencerflaymusic>

Link to music: <https://open.spotify.com/artist/46lxxhJGbFfxwNEUu0GKfUQ>

Spencer has made the ukulele the coolest thing on the dancefloor with his gut-punching beats and hear-twerking riffs. Previously more known as a Bristol Docks crane-driver, he has "risen" in reputation all over the southwest. Taking a modern sound and filling every crack of it with Bristol

humour and wit, he goes well beyond recreating his seminal *Waves* hits, mixing it with elusive B-sides tracks, world-class banter, and a small battery of remixed chart toppers.

Omega Two



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/omegatwoduo>

Link to music: <https://www.facebook.com/omegatwoduo/videos>

Omega Two are Jane Williams (Van Morrison, Wild Willy Barrett) on Vocals/Ukelele/Piano and Pete Mathison (Ray Davies in 90's) on guitar. Omega Two play a blend of smooth jazz, easy listening tunes and singalongs, to get you in the festival mood! They play at various residencies in the area - The Dead Canary, The Book Club, Rummer Tavern and Cafe Jazz alongside well-established festivals such as Brecon Jazz and Aberjazz in Fishguard.

Frankie Wesson Duo



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/frankiewessonmusic

Link to music: www.facebook.com/watch/?v=193317335825978

South Wales based singer-songwriter Frankie Wesson started writing songs and performing in her hometown of Abergavenny at the age of 16. Her cinematic songs draw inspiration from her personal experiences of bitter-sweet nostalgia, unrequited love, teenage angst, and the complicated reality

of growing up LGBT. Raised on artists like Alanis Morissette, Eva Cassidy, and Stevie Nicks. Wesson also takes inspiration from a mix of contemporary artists such as Deaf Havana, Ed Sheeran, Taylor Swift, and Gabrielle Aplin. Producing intimate, emotionally raw, yet laid-back music with a pop/folk/rock feel. Her versatile vocal range and talent for emotive, relatable song writing makes for captivating live performances and songs that will soon become part of your musical diet. Frankie will be accompanied by talented musician Ruby Ravelle, who brings her own flair to the table with her lyrical guitar playing and sensitive musical arrangements. Performances include Monmouth Festival, How the Light Gets In - in Hay on Wye and London, Coleford Music Festival, Swansea Fringe, Abergavenny Pride to name a few.

Tobias Robertson



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/tobiasofficial

Link to music: www.youtube.com/watch?v=BR1Ob4PaUIE

An Independent Soul/Folk artist from Wales in the UK. The talented Tobias performed on BBC's The Voice UK back in 2016. Tobias used to perform only to the walls of his bedroom until his friends made him realise how good he was. Not to mention his oh-so-talented great aunt, Cilla Black, who he is seen as such an inspiration.

Moonstorm (Duo)



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Moonstorm-106306968338590

Link to music: www.facebook.com/Moonstorm-106306968338590/videos/538630073937921

Moonstorm Duo is Amanda Seed on vocals/guitar and Viv Lock on lead guitar. A rock live music experience playing covers from the sixties to current charts including Tom Petty, Heart, AC/DC, Dua

Lipa, Fleetwood Mac, Queen, Neil Young and more. This set will be an acoustic set that includes the lighter side of Rock.

Mansel Davies



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/ManselDaviesAcousticSessions

Link to music: www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref=watch_permalink&v=288528578875801

Hailing from Aberystwyth, singer/songwriter Mansel Davies has been a solo performer and working in bands spanning decades. He writes songs about his Welsh roots, and sings covers that you can sing along to! At Caerphilly Little Cheese, he will be playing as a solo performer: guitar and vocals.

Richard Robling



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/richard.robbling.9>

Link to music: www.youtube.com/watch?v=oYvKrWKXmOs

Richard Robling is a singer/songwriter, guitarist, and bass player, in a musical career that goes on forever! As an admirer of great songwriters of all genres, Richard's setlist is diverse and designed to please as many as possible. There'll be songs from the great balladeers of the forties and fifties, from the 'skiffing' fifties, the swinging sixties, including the folk scene, up to present day - and one or two originals.

Andy & Gos



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/andyandgos

Link to music: www.facebook.com/merlinspublichouse/videos/879785178790243

Andy and Gos are two fabulous musicians, using their combined talents to develop a full band sound: but how? There's only two of them! Andy performance includes vocals, guitar, and loop pedal, whilst Gos plays piano, harmonica with the occasional lead and harmony vocal thrown in. Expect a wide range of songs from the 70s up, with a nice smattering of humour to boot! Speaking of boots, Gos'll only be wearing one....

The Blues Sisters



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/sistersblues

Link to music: www.youtube.com/watch?v=POEpiacJ8SA

The seven-piece unique 3-part female harmony fronted band reformed in 2018 after a two year hiatus, due to popular demand! The band will be playing infectious swing, R n B and rock 'n' roll from the fifties, alongside rockabilly with a modern twist (ala Imelda May), with a few originals thrown in for good measure. They will certainly start the toes tapping straight off the bat!

Nerys and the Soul Traders



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/nerysandthesoultraders

Link to music: www.facebook.com/nerysandthesoultraders/videos/?ref=page_interna

Nerys and the Soul Traders play Soul and R n B from the sixties. Featuring a three horn front line, punching out those soul backing riffs with a passion that might make you think you were in Muscle Shoals, Alabama. But the key is in the name: It is about Nerys and the way she can deliver a song, belting out a hellraiser like “Shout!” or “What A Man” in red hot soul. Go and see them. Make a party of it.

This River



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057404652001

Link to music: www.youtube.com/watch?v=hZXm9tNUHiM

THIS RIVER are a 3 piece, all singing all dancing bilingual band from the Swansea Valley. The trio have been together for 15 years, performing at functions, venues, and festivals all over the UK, including a variety of tv and radio performances, they have also recorded 4 original albums.

Buck Shizz



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100076174761603>

Link to music: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100076174761603&sk=videos>

Buck Shizz are Simon Buck (vocals/guitar) and Shirani James (sax/ flute/clarinete). At The Little Cheese Festival they will be performing as a four piece, for your delectation and delight! Playing a whole raft of musical genres to suit the mood: from rock to pop, from soul to ska, funk, blues and jazz, and everything in between!

VHS Band



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thevhsband>

Link to music: https://www.facebook.com/thevhsband/videos/?ref=page_internal

VHS are a band with an outstanding live show guaranteed to capture you, your family, and your friends from the very beginning. You'll have no excuse not to get involved – every track is a chart-topping anthem! Band members have hit the Top 40 singles chart, played on Top of The Pops and MTV, had airplay on BBC Radio 1, 2 and 6 Music and have toured arenas across the USA and Europe supporting bands including The Killers, Stereophonics, Snow Patrol, Keane, Ash and The Smashing Pumpkins. Playing the best indie classics with an edge, VHS are the alternative twist on a rocked-up wedding band!

Pyramid



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/pyramidcoverband

Link to music: www.facebook.com/watch/?v=872050216560020

Pyramid are a 3-piece Caerleon based band covering songs from the 60's to the present day. The band play covers from a varied number of artists such as The Beatles, Bruce Springsteen, Queen, and The Killers to name a few. Their 3-part harmonies and performing songs which are not usually covered by most bands really set them aside from a regular covers band. Pyramid perform in numerous venues on the South Wales music circuit and are really looking to performing at the festival this year!!

Moon Storm Band



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Moonstorm-106306968338590

Link to music: www.facebook.com/Moonstorm-106306968338590/videos/538630073937921

Moonstorm are a 5-piece rock band including Amanda Seed on Vocals/guitar and Viv Lock on Lead Guitar. A Rock live music experience playing covers from the sixties to current charts including Tom Petty, Heart, AC/DC, Dua Lipa, Fleetwood Mac, Queen, Neil Young and more.

Cakehole Presley



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CakeholePresleyMusic>

Link to music: <https://open.spotify.com/album/2PBlfNkv2uwxkq6nuSYMAu>

Cakehole Presley offer a gentle Americana intro relentless punky baselines. From that point, Cakehole Presley have you right where they want you: drifting away in a beautifully crafted soundscape, full of sonic surprises. Songs you want to hear more of. Pretty much perfect!

The Apple Tree Theory



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/theappletreetheory

Link to music: www.facebook.com/theappletreetheory/videos

Hailing from Newport, South Wales, The Apple Tree Theory expertly fuse an eclectic mix of country, reggae, and folk into a dynamic floor filling experience. The boys deliver an array of timeless classics as you have never heard them before. This unique blend of bluegrass, reggae, and folk is an acoustic band experience not to be missed! A truly wondrous collective of musicians and vocalists, all brimming with charisma and talent, who have proved themselves to be a sensational dance floor filling force!

The Coal River County Boys



Follow on Facebook: [/www.facebook.com/recrockwales](https://www.facebook.com/recrockwales)

Link to music: www.facebook.com/recrockwales/videos

The Coal River County Boys are brand new to the scene. Hailing from Blackwood, they are a young, three-piece band specialising in rockabilly sounds of the 50s, influenced by early Sun Records and the sounds of the Louisiana Hayride. With Gwydion on drums, rhythm guitar, and vocals, Gwennan on doghouse bass and vocals and Gruffydd on lead guitar and vocals, they are guaranteed to get the house jumpin' playing rockin' music the way it's meant to be played!

Foxglove



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Foxxgloveuk>

Link to music: <https://open.spotify.com/album/49xapWK3Mz02qllFiHp2XK>

Foxglove is a rising alt / dark pop artist from Ferndale in the South Wales Valleys, based in Cardiff. Taking inspiration from her own life experiences, film, and art to tell a story that captures people's hearts, her raw and open emotion seeps through every part of her music. Since debuting as an artist, she has achieved so much from her very first performance in July 2019 to playing Swn Festival, all the way to performing three unmissable sets at FOCUS Wales 2021. Her latest single High on Hope got Radio play on BBC Radio 6 Music introducing show. Foxglove has announced that she will be playing Tiny Rebel Cardiff alongside Red Telephone on the 1st of April as part of the BBC Radio 6 Music Festival Fringe. Foxglove is part of the Forte Project: <https://www.forteproject.co.uk>

The Honest Poet



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/TheHonestPoet8

Link to music:

<https://open.spotify.com/artist/0B3skudgMOevn48PODTv0L?si=vY9cLdpAQo6QkuHT3fX1mg>

The Honest Poet (THP), South Wales based singer/songwriter, has unique soulful vocals which emanate raw emotion. Drawing his inspiration from his life, cultivating each story from an honest viewpoint. Poetry plays a significant role throughout the entirety of THP's music. Infusing hip hop, spoken word and soul combining with open and honest lyrics. In 2021, The Honest Poet released his debut album "Letters to My Queen". The Honest Poet is part of the Forte Project: <https://www.forteproject.co.uk>

Mojo JNR



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/MojoJNR

Link to music:

<https://open.spotify.com/artist/5CrgA2p0uleIDJpcNCPdQa?si=1SPh4wIRSMS6K2kHEILkgw>

Mojo JNR is the alias of South Wales Musician Josh David-Read. Pairing the dreamiest of summer soundscapes, with husky vocal musings. His canvas of creativity spans far and wide, crafting music that will surely delight any listener. With a deep and unique approach to indie-pop, composed from the world around him. Josh harnesses a brave expression of his own thoughts, feelings, and emotions. Utilising a vibrant spectrum of personal experience, to share his colourful musical

universe with us. Friends and those he meets along the way may play a helping hand in what finally culminates as Mojo JNR. Yet the driving force, evoking and breathing life into the project, truly is Josh himself. Mojo JNR is part of the Forte Project: <https://www.forteproject.co.uk>

Primitive Soul



Follow on Facebook: www.facebook.com/PrimitiveSoulBand

Link to music:

<https://open.spotify.com/artist/5zt75Q2ABGAAFBS3wppywS?si=KA1RgiBNShO5GOLYCvEsYw>

Electrifying, young Welsh Welsh rock band from Blackwood, South Wales. Both self-penned songs plus some choice covers will be the order of the day! The band have just released their first single 'Euphoria,' which is now available on Spotify.

Something Something Avocado



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/somethingsomethingavocado>

Link to music: <https://soundcloud.com/user-672900046-848565429>

Something Something Avocado, are bunch of lovely folks from Caerphilly, Church Village and Cardiff, creating great tunes from across the diverse space of popular music. Fun, upbeat and

danceable! The band members are Nikki: Vocals; Siôn: Keys and vocals; Liam: Horns and vocals; Mr. O: Stringed things and vocals; Flave: Drums and percussion

RecRock



Follow on Facebook: [/www.facebook.com/recrockwales](https://www.facebook.com/recrockwales)

Link to music: www.facebook.com/recrockwales/videos

RecRock is a Caerphilly based social enterprise who run music related projects in the community. If you have a group of people who are interested in music, they can work with them to put on an event, gain a qualification, play instruments and most of all have fun. They work with primary and secondary schools, mental health projects, housing associations, youth projects, learning and physical disabled, young offenders, pupil referral units, Job Centre Plus and many more! Their workshops and approach to working with people are proven to improve people's confidence, self-esteem, and communication skills

Rock Choir



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/rockchoircardiffwales>

Link to music: www.rockchoir.com

Rock Choir is the UK's leading contemporary award-winning choir experience offering local weekly rehearsals, performances, and life-affirming events to more than 400 towns and communities across the UK. Rock Choir was created by singer and musician, Caroline Redman Lusher and remains a family-run organisation originating in Farnham, Surrey in 2005. She initiated a brand new, accessible, and glamorous approach to contemporary community singing which grew quickly and dramatically from humble beginnings into what it is today. Rock Choir is recognised as the first of its kind to offer a no-audition and no-requirement-to-read-music choir experience in the UK and invites

anyone with any level of musical experience to join. It attracts everyone who loves to sing pop and contemporary songs!

Kinz



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/kinzofficialmusic>

Link to music: <https://open.spotify.com/artist/2IYvh1oYpCHWzL0X0fGWR2>

Kinz, aka Jacob Kinsey, voice can level buildings. That coupled with a keen pop sensibility influenced by the likes of Post Malone, Khalid and The Weekend makes for the most up-to-date music that you would expect to break into the top ten. Working with producers Dan Evans as well as collaborating with former Forté artist Owain Felstead has proved worthwhile for Kinz.

Kinz is part of the Forte Project: <https://www.forteproject.co.uk>

Laura Jazmyn



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/laurajazmyn>

Link to music: <https://open.spotify.com/artist/4jSnprJAMNuFWCd7Llq0K7>

Laura Jazmyn is a contemporary pop artist from South Wales. She has been writing music since 2019 and released her first single on Spotify in February 2020. So far, her music has been featured on BBC Radio Wales Arts show, SW20 Radio and Amazing Radio UK, and has been signed to SWND Records. Musical influences include Amy Winehouse, Jorja Smith and Celeste, Laura loves to create songs that have a meaning to them. Some of the tracks are darker than others but I love how other people interpret them. Laura is part of the Forte Project: <https://www.forteproject.co.uk>

Nookee



Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NookeeBand>

Link to music: <https://www.facebook.com/NookeeBand/videos/710513860118919>

Fun-filled and full of funk. Nookee are a band of energy, character and who relish the chance to raise the roof. Storming festivals across Wales this summer, the five-piece high-octane outfit, led by twin sisters, Gemma, and Violet, bring an abundance of joy and colour to every moment on stage. Nookee are part of the Forte Project: <https://www.forteproject.co.uk>

Caitlin Mae

Information TBC

COMPERES FOR THE WEEKEND

Jools Constant (Leaning Tower Stage)



15 years ago, Jools did his first ever stand-up comedy gig in a pub in Newport S-Wales. Since then, he has travelled the world & Cwmbran spreading smiles and laughter through thousands of performances, always to mild critical acclaim. Now as a professional Comedian and host he has built a reputation for bringing energy and pizzazz to even the most reluctant of audiences. Come and see him now before arthritis or the local police prevent him leaving the house anymore!!

Shai (The Green Lady Stage)



Shai from Newport is a DJ, host, presenter, promoter, Co-Director of Urban Circle and Director of Green Room Power Events. A regular at the Big Cheese and many other events in South Wales, he will be a safe pair of hands for the weekend!

Malcolm John (Gilbert De Clare Stage)



Malcolm John from Newport has worked in TV and Radio since the 80s and has been a presenter on many radio stations including the original GB Radio, CBC, and BBC Radio. Malcolm set up the community radio station 'Able,' a station to engage those with physical and learning disabilities many years ago and is the voice behind the station.

Kate Smith (Community Stage)



Kate Smith from Risca, has been working in community arts for many years, and runs her own drama company, Applause! She is a stalwart of the drama community in Caerphilly, working on productions in Blackwood Miners Institute and running workshops for the arts development team. Kate Smith is also a qualified teacher, and regularly works in schools on creative projects.