

#### Hulla-ween Trick or Treat Silent Disco

## Neurodiverse friendly session – Thursday 28th October 2021 1.00pm-3.00pm

This is a Halloween themed ticketed event aimed at families (broadly 3 - 10 years) and will include a Silent Disco, storytelling sessions, craft activities and a spooky version of our Dreamland Installation. Although the activities have been aimed at 3 - 10 year old children, older children are also welcome to attend and we would leave the parent/carer/companion to determine the suitability for the child.

Tickets are  $\pm 7$  per person and should be booked in advance. Group tickets are available for  $\pm 24$  for four people with at least one adult in the group. All activities in the building are included in the ticket price for this event.

### **Getting here:**

The address is The Hullabaloo, Borough Road, Darlington, DL1 1SG

#### Parking:

The entrance to The Hullabaloo is on Borough Road. There are some short stay car parking spaces on Borough Road and the streets that come from it (Melland Street, Sanderson Street and Middleton Street). Some of these spaces are unrestricted bays and can be used all day. Others are for stays up to 2 hours. Make sure you check the signage in the area if you are parking on any of these streets as there are permit bays which won't be suitable.

Alternatively, there's a carpark just behind the theatre off Brunswick Street, that is £2 for 4 hours or £3.20 for 12 hours. This carpark uses the Connect Cashless Mobile App to pay and the code for that carpark is displayed clearly.





Other carparks include one on Hird Street and Park Place West which are council run.

These are £4 per day or £1 per hour.

The machines accept cash, card or contactless payments.

Note that these carparks are over a busy road with a traffic light crossing opposite the entrance to Darlington Hippodrome.

## When you arrive:

You can arrive from 12.30pm

Activities will start from 1.00pm

Press the doorbell so staff can let you inside.

The doors will open outwards so step back.



As you go through the main doors you step into the café space.

There will be a table on your right with staff there to meet you.

Staff will be wearing a Blue or Green Tshirt and will either take your ticket or ask for your name to tick you off a list.

This image shows an empty café. For the event there will be Halloween themed decorations hung from the ceiling and in the windows.



### In the café space:

We have a café at The Hullabaloo which will be open 12.30pm – 3.00pm.

You can pay with either cash, card using a PIN or card using contactless in the café.

It sells tea, coffee, cold drinks, sandwiches, crisps, cakes.

There will be long tables set up in the cafe with Halloween-themed craft activities to do (not displayed here)



## Creative Play Space – Dreamland

Behind the dark grey doors is our Gillian Dickinson Creative Play Space.

At the moment we have Dreamland in this space that is a sensory space themed above the clouds.



# In our Theatre Space:

This will be where the Silent Disco takes place.

(There won't be seating here). Instead it will be decorated with tall trees, false leaves and fairy lights, with other Halloween decorations.

The lighting will be dimmer and will have coloured lights (no flashing lights).

We will provide headphones for the Silent Disco and you will collect your them before you go into this space.



These headphones are specific headphones needed for the Silent Disco as they have different "channels" that allow you to listen to different playlists of songs.

There will be a dancer in this space leading some dance moves for you to copy if you would like to.

There are two time slots for the Silent Disco activity. Both sessions are the same, we are just limiting the capacity in each session.

You can book for either of the times below. Theatre Hullabaloo will contact you in advance of the event to confirm your chosen Silent Disco time. Arrive at the start time to collect your headphones.

- 1. 1.00pm 1.45pm
- 2. 2.15pm 3.00pm

#### In our Rehearsal Space:

This will be where the storytelling sessions will take place.

This space is upstairs and up 27 steps or via the accessible lift.

The space will be decorated in a Halloween theme. No one will be in costume but they might be wearing accessories like hats. The lighting will be dimmer and will have coloured lights (no flashing lights).

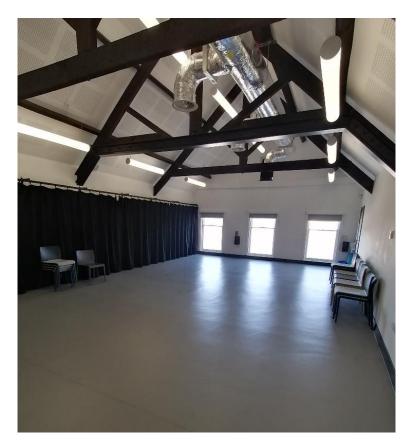
There will be 2 different Halloween themed stories and these will be repeated.

1.10pm (approx. 20mins) Story 1

1.40pm (approx. 20mins) Story 2

2.10pm (approx. 20 mins) Story 1

2.40pm (approx. 20mins) Story 2



### Schedule for the event:

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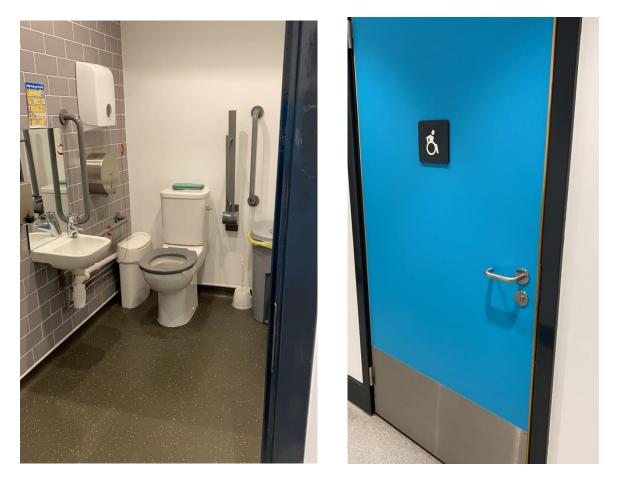
We have split the activities in this event up into 2 options to allow for space and lower capacity. Each option will have exactly the same activities, just in a different order. Theatre Hullabaloo will contact you in advance to book you in to your preferred option. It is not compulsory to attend all activities.

<u>Option 1:</u> 1.00pm – 1.45pm: Silent Disco 2.10pm – 2.30pm: Story 1 2.40pm – 3.00pm: Story 2

<u>Option 2:</u> 1.10pm – 1.30pm: Story 1 1.40pm – 2.00pm: Story 2 2.15pm – 3.00pm: Silent Disco

# Toilets:

There is one accessible toilet available in The Hullabaloo and more available directly next door at Darlington Hippodrome. These accessible toilets have space for a wheelchair but do not have hoists in place. Other toilets are available at The Hullabaloo.



# Quiet Space:

We will have a quiet space available for audiences if needed. This will be the Education Space in the Hippodrome accessed via the Hullabaloo Café. There will be arrows clearly marking the way.

This space will have soft seating and won't be decorated with Halloween themed decorations. There is a long mirror along one side of the room as this is sometimes used as a dance studio.

If you have any further questions or queries, please contact us on 01325 405680 or info@theatrehullabaloo.org.uk