

**Can you help us to be**

**PROUDER, LOUDER and MORE VISIBLE?**

We're an award-winning LGBTQ+ and disability-led theatre company based in York, promoting creative skills and encouraging community cohesion, particularly with those who face barriers to accessing theatre. Our established programme focuses on workshops and performances for and with cohorts of the community with disabilities, mental health problems, those experiencing bereavement, those who are carers and individuals from the LGBTQ+ community. Our activity ranges from workshops to touring performances, training programmes and professional development opportunities. We currently work in partnership with The Snappy Trust, Camphill Village Trust, Converge, York Carers Centre, YorSexual Health and Clifton Green Primary School. Our mission is to connect people to their creativity and community through the theatre we make and the stories we tell. Our vision is for the arts to play an integral role in unleashing the true potential of every community; to tell every story, to hear every voice and champion the contribution every person makes. Through theatre we can show a world where everything is possible!

## **What we are looking for and why...**

The delivery of our high quality, inclusive arts provision happens within support groups and community centres, delivered hand-in-hand with staff members who are at the forefront of supporting some of our most vulnerable members of our society. Through the 10 years of delivery our practitioners, facilitators and artists have become recognised and trusted individuals that community members can turn to for support or to feel safe around. This is incredibly important. We usually wear badges to identify who we are when we are in these venues, which has worked so far, however what we have realised recently is that as we work with more communities who have learning disabilities, mental ill health, are neurodivergent or have dementia, being able to quickly and clearly identify us is becoming more and more important.

As a small Community Interest Company who exist on project grant funding, being able to afford the large expense of clearly labelled uniform, that is both fit for purpose for the wearer and clear to read/recognise for our participants is something that we cannot meet.

However, we know that this is important to rectify and this is why we are turning to you!

We are looking for sponsorship which will provide hoodies and/or t-shirts in a set of two colours for our core team - A white on black version to provide the needed contrast for those to see and read who we are, and a second 2 colour version where distinction needs to be made between us and the staff members of the group we are working in.

# We are looking for sponsorship of between £200-£500

For this:

- You will be supporting us in increasing the accessibility of our workshops for people with learning disabilities, who are neurodivergent or have mental ill health.
- We will recognise you as one of our sponsors on our website - linking to any of your own details and accounts.
- Post a public thankyou on our social media platforms and tag you in photos of us running our workshops in the sponsored uniforms.



**If you think you can sponsor us, or if you have any questions please contact:**

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