

Performances suitable for hospitals and care settings

Elevate

The Elevate programme provides regular creative activities on wards at Salisbury District Hospital. Professional artists engage and interact with patients using music, poetry, words, movement and song, helping to distract patients from the hospital routine and lift their spirits. Outreach activities include sessions delivered at Victoria Hospital, Wimborne and The Yeatman Hospital, Sherborne and for the Headway charity. Contact us if you are based in Hampshire, Wiltshire or Dorset and are interested in booking Elevate activities.

More information and contact: www.artcaresalisbury.uk/projects/elevate/; rebecca.seymour3@nhs.net



Lily & the Albatross in Hospital

A musical family are out bird spotting! Binoculars ready, they see a small bird flitting about the wards and, as it turns out, have seen many birds and are quite the experts. It's when they find an unidentifiable egg among their collection that Grandad steps up to tell the salty tale of its discovery. The story of a stormy night and a lost ship is told through storytelling and live music before a large Albatross puppet glides above the patients' heads. This is a magical piece that takes it's audience to another world of adventure, sailing and merry music.

More information and contact:
www.talltreetheatre.co.uk; hello@talltreetheatre.co.uk



Shackleton in Hospital

Meet an adventurous (read cheeky!) puppet dog who has escaped his owner and is exploring the wards! When they are reunited you'll discover there's more to this pair than meets the eye! Shackleton knows a lot of very good tricks, which he'll do for sausages and his owner is an intrepid explorer, who has an unbelievable tale to tell. This light-hearted mini show brings some fun, music and storytelling into the wards. The show is flexible and patients can also chat to the actors and take a closer look at Shackleton, who is a life size wooden and metal dog.

More information and contact:
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Mary Lou Revue

The Mary Lou Revue Vintage Cabaret will be offering musical refreshments, featuring a delicious selection of classic songs and magical dance moments, from the 1920s onwards. This delightful show can be as short or as long as required and can be performed at the bedside or in a day room. Patients get to choose from a variety of songs and join in singing and moving with various props. Excellent for frail older patients and those with dementia.

More information and contact: www.mary-lourevue.webeden.co.uk; marylourevue@gmail.com



The Rum Tale Of The Moonfleet Diamond

Tor Theatre's tall tale of silly smugglers and unrequited love has thrilled audiences in hospitals and village halls, care homes and tents around the South West!

A lively show with storytelling, songs, dancing and jokes about how smugglers used to hide their contraband. Will they find the Moonfleet Diamond...?

More information and contact: www.tortheatre.co.uk; tortheatre@tiscali.co.uk

Hoodwink in Hospital

*gently interrupting the hospital day,
sweeping in wind and waves, birdsong and boats.
Surprise encounters by the bedside.*

Hoodwink in Hospital bring a sequence of events that unfold around a patient with music, sounds, special effects, the odd dance step and gentle fun...leaving behind excitement, memories, a memento and a breath of fresh air. Hoodwink entralls patients of all ages on many different wards and is designed to go to patients either in their bed or chair. The performance time is adaptable according to the environment. Staff, visitors and family are welcome to share the experience too.

More info and contact: info@hoodwinktheatre.co.uk

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ArtCare runs the Elevate programme and has previously booked all the above performances for the benefit of patients at Salisbury District Hospital and other healthcare settings. Visit our website for patient comments and more images: www.artcaresalisbury.uk