

A Message for THE FUTURE

Explore your magical future garden where you'll meet a punk poet Dandelion, a rock n roll Mini Beast, and an operatic super Herb!






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This pack has information about:

- What to expect
- The show
- The space
- And the performers

What to Expect

	<p>This is a relaxed space.</p> <p>It's okay to tic, stim, leave and come back, make noises, laugh or cry. Breastfeeding / chest feeding is welcome.</p> <p>The experience is for 0-3 year olds and their carers.</p> <p><i>Older siblings are welcome in the space but the experience has been designed for the very young.</i></p>
	<p>Before going into the experience, please take your shoes off and store them in the area provided.</p>
	<p>The whole experience lasts for 1 hour, and the performance is around 30 mins.</p> <p>We invite babies & their adults to stay and play in the space for 15 mins both before and after the performance.</p> <p>There is no interval, but you can leave at any moment and come back.</p>

The Show



There will be **gentle pulsing / shifting lights**, in **different colours** like yellow, blue, green, purple or pink.



As you enter there may be **music playing** from the **speakers**.

You'll be able to **explore the space** and **play**. Instrumental music may also have gentle **soundscapes of birds, bees** and other insects too.

During the performance there will be **live and recorded music**, as well as **talking and singing**.



There will be **audience interaction**.

But you can participate, or not participate, in any way you choose.

There is **no pressure**.



There will also be lots of **shapes, colours, sounds and textures**.

This includes **multi-sensory objects**, which means there will be things **to look at, listen to, touch, and smell**.

We'll also use **water** and some **fresh herbs**, which might include **thyme, lavender, rosemary, sage and bay leaves**.

The Space

The **space is warm, cosy and welcoming.**

Here are some **photos.**

It's **very colourful** and has lots of **soft** materials.

Round **metal arches** are at the beginning of the space, and at all four sides of the room.

They are covered in **big leaves and flowers** made from **soft, padded felt.**

The arches are connected by **white fabric net walls.**



Hanging down from the arches are **glitter fringe curtains**, in green and orange.

Sections of the floor are made of **soft foam tiles** that are grey, yellow and green. They slot together like a disorganised **chessboard**.

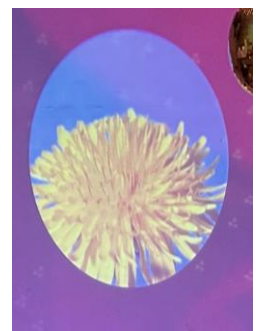
You can **step or sit** on these.

There are also **long pink and white giant noodles** on the floor.

The noodles are made from **cloth and foam**, and **you can touch these**, pick them up, play with them, and sit or stand on them.

There are groups of **big soft PVC blocks on the floor**, in pink and orange, as well as some **chairs** to sit on.

On the wall, there's a **projected film of a dandelion slowly blossoming**.



The Performers

There are **three performers** in the show, who represent **a Dandelion, a Mini Beast and a Herb**.

They wear **brightly patterned costumes** with **garden, plant and insect** imagery all over their clothes.

These are made of lots of **different materials** such as padded felt, cotton, silk, sequins, Velcro, and more!

The **performers talk, sing, dance, play live music, and interact with the audience**.



Dandelion

Brigitte Aphrodite

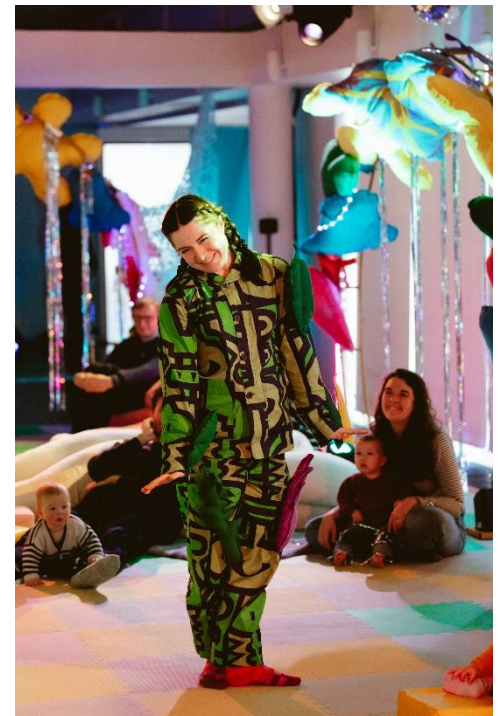
(she/her)



Mini Beast

Gaz Tomlinson

(he/him)



Herb

Sophie Coward

(she/they)

We hope you enjoy A Message for the Future!