

INVITATION TO SCHOOLS



2023
Forest
of IMAGINATION



ASSEMBLE IN THE FOREST

14 JUNE – 14 JULY 2023

The Assembly Rooms is the venue for Forest of Imagination 2023 where we will celebrate 10 years as a contemporary arts event in Bath.

FREE
All ages
welcome

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Forest of Imagination 2023: an invitation for schools

The National Trust has kindly invited us to develop a unique event as part of their transition plans for the world-famous Assembly Rooms which will reimagine the building as a focus for the community of Bath.

We are inspired by the opportunity to link art, nature, and the social life of the city into an experience that takes full advantage of the grand internal rooms and the distinctive outdoor spaces.

'Assemble in the Forest' is an invitation to come together and celebrate the beauty and biodiversity of Bath and to showcase the imagination of our community. It provides an opportunity to shine a light on the importance of forests across the world and what they mean to us in Bath, especially in response to the climate emergency.



February – June 2023

'If you were a tree, what would you be?'

Leading up to the Assemble in the Forest, we would like to invite schools to develop their own enquiries with children and young people based upon the provocation:

If you were a tree, what would you be?

At the beginning of each term (6 weekly) we will send you a creative invitation on which to base enquiries. These will unfold exploring forests from a Global and local perspective; the idea of Assemble in the Forest; and focusing on themes such as biodiversity, beauty, personal and community.

There is an exciting opportunity to work with an artist in school to create trees to contribute to the forest – please get in touch if you are interested! The first of the invitations for self-led enquiries will be sent to schools during the first week of February and will be posted on the Forest of Imagination website.

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14 June – 14 July 2023

'Assemble in the Forest'

'Assemble in the Forest' will run for a month at the Assembly Rooms where schools will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in multi-sensory installations with planted and imagined trees; digital projections and media installations; with references to both global Rainforest projects and Bath's environmental creative and community projects.

There will be artists workshops for schools and families; and children and young people will be able to discover a Beaver Den; wander and wonder in Andrew Amondson's Forever Fields; lose themselves in Jess Palmer's Reading Trees; explore musical imaginings with Kate Petty; make trees with Clare Day; and go on a narrative adventure with Patcharks. There are lots more!

We hope you will be able to join us and to participate in these co-enquiries.

To book an artist or workshop for your school, please contact info@houseofimagination.org



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