

Theatre Locale — The Heavitree Squilometre Update

Welcome to the August/September 2016 issue of *Theatre Locale*, the newsletter for <u>Interwoven Productions</u>, featuring the <u>Heavitree Squilometre</u> update!

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Photo by Erik de Bie

■ Heavitree Local History Society

- Heavitree Walk, Sunday 16th October, 2.00p.m.

■ Park in the Dark news!

- Well, the wonderful news is that our plea for your memories and reflections on the park generated over 150 online responses full of wonderful stories about Heavitree Pleasure Grounds (Park). It's clear that there's a huge affection in the City for that space, from the stone whale to the paddling pools, to tennis/basketball and of course the Bowling Club. So we've come to a decision

We're going to **postpone the performance dates** until we've had a chance to work through all of this wonderful material. We'll take time now to prepare a series of engagements, including working with the young people of the Park. We're looking forward to it and will be publishing new dates soon.

- Amazing local responses

When we published this image of the stone whale on the Exeter Memories facebook page we were inundated with a flood of wonderful stories and reflections on Heavitree Pleasure Grounds. We're incredibly grateful and working through them all now to capture a deeper, richer reflection of what the Park means to you.

It's also great to be invited to participate in <u>Parklife Heavitree</u>'s Big Fun Day on Sunday 18th September 2016 and we'll be providing Interwoven performance there during the afternoon.

Our fabulous Linny Hughes will be providing reminiscence fun sessions this Autumn for residents at Jack Simpson House, North Street and we look forward to a rewarding, ongoing relationship with the Guinness Trust in Heavitree.





And we'll be working alongside the

Heavitree Bowling Club to see how we
can help with their membership drive
and to celebrate their historic role in the
Park. Did you know they were founded
in 1907 and the green was part of the
original design of the Pleasure Grounds
from 1906!?

So, our involvement with the Heavitree community deepens and we're thoroughly enjoying the opportunity "interweave" the activities of all of the wonderful groups and organisations already active here.

■ Exeter Street Arts Festival

- Interwoven out in force!

We couldn't let a Street Arts Festival pass in Exeter without representation from Interwoven Productions! We specialise in open-access performance developed on your street, about your street and working alongside the people of that street. So, our wonderful Interweevers were out in force, spreading the word and headlining Three Little Birds, an incredible musical duo that we're proud to have as Associate Artists.



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And we were thrilled to welcome Eva Searle, a Heavitree-based design artist, who helped us create a *What Can You See?* interactive drawing station for happy passersby.

We're pleased to flag up, on behalf of the

Heavitree Local History Society, a walking tour of Heavitree on Sunday 16th October, 2016, 2.00 pm starting at St Clare's Chapel, Livery Dole. I'll be there, looks really interesting!