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Water:

Water is where life comes from It is the start of everything And it's where fish and seaweed live! Right now, in the ocean, whales are swimming They have strong tails, And they swim all the way to the bottom Where the jellyfish slowly float like tiny moons. Families of small fish Shine like glitter, and move together With rocking waves. And the whales swim up, and up, until They jump out into the air Where they can breathe.



Poetry by Katie (Tom) Walters

Land:

The land is our home We build cities and parks here. But we share our land with animals! Little mice and giant elephants All of us need the soil. In the forest Sunlight shines through the leaves. Long grass and tiny flowers Gently touch our hands. In India, a proud tiger gets ready to roar. And look! The birds; they open their wings and FLY

Sky:

The sky is where dreams are made It is taller than the tallest trees And the tops of the mountains. In the morning the sun arrives To keep us warm. In aeroplanes we soar over The clouds as soft as candy floss Until everything looks tiny! When the sun goes down The sky turns red, and pink, and gold! Until night spreads over the world Like a great big blanket. And then we can see the STARS





Space:

Space is really quiet Everything there is slow The moon and the stars Shine into the darkness. Far, far away Strange planets float Around strange suns. We send our rocket ships As far as we can go. To look for other kinds of life. And maybe somewhere An alien looks for us. Trying to find friends In the cold black empty. Think of all the beautiful things we have to show them. In our Sea, our land, and our sky.

Meet the creative team



Choreographer: Hayley Earlam

Hayley is a Choreographer and Dance Artist working across performance, facilitation and creation. She trained at Northern School of Contemporary Dance and works as a performer, teacher, choreographer, movement director and artist for dance and theatre companies around the world. She is interested in the body's drive to move and our need to connect with others. In 2018, Hayley was awarded the Scottish Cultural Award for Best Dance Performer.

Performer: Daniel Longhurst

Daniel Longhurst is a Derby born dance artist, graduating from Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance with a focus on physicality, improvisation, and contact work at the core of his practice. Daniel works closely with inclusive theatre; for the last year he has worked in close knit with Hubbub Theatre Company – developing his practice as a facilitator for the learning disabled cohort.







Performer: Alyssa Lisle

Newcastle upon Tyne, working with Kerry Nicholls, Joss Arnott and Renaud Wiser. Since graduation, she has worked with companies such as Fertile Ground and Rendez-vous dance. Alyssa's values are joy, empowerment and experience, which she uses to drive forward her artistry in all areas of her work.

Alyssa grew up in the North East and trained on the BA programme at Dance City,

Digital Producer: Darius Powell from TECH:SQUAD

Darius is a digital artist, workshop leader and producer with over 15 years professional experience creating working for exhibitions, theatre, museums, participatory arts and commercial sector. His expertise includes Augmented Reality, Virtual Reality, Projection Mapping and Interactive Installations. As an advocate for digital inclusion, Darius strives to find new ways technology can engage individuals in the co-creation of work.

Sound Designer: Robin Newman

Robin Newman is a music producer, composer and sound artist whose work explores the relationships between sound and spaces, both physical and suggested. He has produced work in mediums including recorded productions, installation, interactive and digital mediums with a focus on using immersive audio to enhance narrative and environment. His work has been featured by Oculus, The Eden Project and The National Space Centre.

Poetry: Katie (Tom) Walters

Katie is a young radical performance maker based in Coventry. A Co-Founder of disability arts organisation Radical Body, and an independent writer and performance poet. Katie creates interdisciplinary art that focuses on themes of disability, environment, and metamorphosis. They began their career in the arts as a Slam Poet, winning the SLAMbassadors National Youth Slam in 2014, and have worked closely with the National Autistic Society on a number of campaigns.



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