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# Queen's Theatre Hornchurch launches *Tiny Plays* project by telephone

Throughout summer 2020 **Queen's Theatre Hornchurch** ran a highly successful online initiative called *Ten Tiny Plays*. They invited members of the public to explore play-making exercises with local theatre director Jules Tipton.

On **Wednesday 27 January**, the Theatre is delighted to reimagine these **free** playmaking workshops delivered by telephone, especially for people with limited or no digital access. Participants can join **Jules Tipton** on a group phone call every Wednesday afternoon for a playful introduction to some easy storytelling activities designed to help unleash their creativity. No experience is necessary, and the project is open to everyone!

Queen's Theatre Hornchurch will choose some of the Tiny Plays created in these workshops to be rehearsed and performed by professional actors. These plays will then be shared back as a brand-new telephone play.

Queen's Theatre Hornchurch have partnered on *Tiny Telephone Plays* with the Havering Asian Social Welfare Association (HASWA) and DABD. This is a continuation of their existing partnership work to support older and isolated individuals who would most benefit from the opportunities.

If you know someone who would enjoy getting involved or would like to participate yourself, please email the Learning Team on **learning@queens-theatre.co.uk**.

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### **About Queen's Theatre Hornchurch**

**Queen's Theatre Hornchurch** is a vibrant producing theatre, working in Outer East London, Essex and beyond. As a cultural hub, over 210,000 people enjoy the programme each year. Audiences are guaranteed a warm welcome from a three year winner of **UK Theatre's Most Welcoming Theatre** (2016 – 2018) and **London Theatre of the Year 2020** (The Stage Awards), the first Outer London theatre to receive this prestigious award.

### **About HASWA**

Havering Asian Social Welfare Association (HASWA) exists to improve the wellbeing of Asians and the wider community in Havering, by tackling isolation, connecting people and services, promoting mental and physical well-being, personal development and creating a sense of belonging through raising cultural awareness. HASWA's members have taken part in creative workshops and trips to find out more about how a professional theatre works, learning about different aspects of performance such as movement, music and awareness of space.



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## **About DABD**

DABD is a social inclusion charity which enables adults, children and young people to discover their independence and achieve their full potential. It has been providing services that give people the opportunities to create better lives for over 60 years, and supports organisations that have similar aims and objectives. Visit <a href="www.dabd.org.uk">www.dabd.org.uk</a> for further information.