STRATFORD'S COMMUNITY SCARECROW FESTIVAL

All the world's a stage, And all the men and women Merely players;

OVER THE WEEKEND of SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS on APRIL 27TH and 28TH, 2019 12PM - 5PM on the BANCROFT GARDENS. [COMPETITION JUDGING on SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH at 4.00PM]

Local charity **Escape Arts** is joining forces with **Stratford Town Trust** to deliver exciting new community activities over Shakespeare's Birthday Celebration weekend. Community groups, schools, businesses and families are being invited to make scarecrows to form a display on the Bancroft, along with a range of **FREE** artist-led scarecrow making activities, including giant community builds, mini-scarecrow workshops, music and storytelling.

As it is Shakespeare's birthday, the theme for the scarecrows of course is plays and books, so it's time to celebrate your favourite literary or Shakespearian characters! There is a **£100 cash prize** for the most inventive scarecrow (or scarecrows), the most interesting use of waste/recycled materials *and* the greatest likeness to the character being interpreted.

Entry is **FREE** and participants can access a 'Scarecrow Competition' information pack and entry forms, along with guidance on how to create your inventions and when to deliver them, by visiting **www.escapearts.org.uk**. Deadline for competition entry forms is **Thursday, April 18th** and applications must be sent to: **admin@escapearts.org.uk**

Community groups with eligible postcodes can claim up to £100 for materials from Stratford Town Trust. The closing date for applications for this grant is Monday, April 1st. Please visit: www.stratfordtowntrust.co.uk For Town Trust enquiries, please telephone: (01789) 207 114



Scarecrows







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