

Theatre Porto Trustee Opportunity

Theatre Porto (*formerly Action Transport Theatre*) is an ambitious, specialist theatre company for, by and with children and young people.

In August 2022, we opened our award-winning, purpose-built theatre and cultural centre in Whitby Park, Ellesmere Port, following a £2.8M capital programme which has established a dedicated new children and young people's venue for Ellesmere Port, the wider North-West and beyond.

As an arts-led company, we collaborate with children and young people to make world-class theatre, 'merging the playful and political' and exploring new ways to tell stories. Our new venue is an important cultural asset and resource which aims to contribute to the transformation of Ellesmere Port through the work we do with children and young people, local families and schools.

The company has undergone rapid and exciting change which has seen our small staff team grow by one third in the last 18 months. We are now looking for board members to join us for the next stage of our growth journey. Candidates should be passionate about children and young people's engagement in, and leadership of the arts and be committed to supporting the company to create brave and inclusive opportunities for our audiences and participants through new local, regional, national and international collaborations and partnerships.

We have spaces for three trustees to join our thriving and passionate team and are interested in hearing from individuals with the following areas of expertise:

- Health and Safety
- Venue management
- Fundraising
- Finance
- The performing arts / youth arts
- Community & outreach



- Public policy and influencing
- Environmental sustainability

We are particularly interested in hearing from individuals who have a personal connection to Ellesmere Port, those who are under 30 years of age and those who are under-represented in the sector; this includes those people who experience racism and marginalisation, those who are disabled, deaf, neurodivergent or have long-term health conditions.

Expressions of Interest

In the first instance please make contact by email with our Administrator, Chris Hasset admin@TheatrePorto.org to book an informal discussion with Chair of the Board, Jan Dunn and to receive more information about this opportunity, including a Trustee role description.

You will then be invited to submit a letter of application and CV. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to present to and meet the board at the board meeting on the 15th May 2023.

Timescale:

- Deadline for expressions of interest 24th Feb
- Informal chat with the chair to take place early – mid March
- Deadline for CV and letters of application April 21st
- Invitations to board meeting (notification to successful applicants) – W/O 1st May
- Board meeting – 15th May

More information about the company can be found on our website www.TheatrePorto.org

A short trailer about Theatre Porto can be seen here – [Hello we are Theatre Porto](#)

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