

Arts and Culture Forum

Villages in Action

**East Devon
November 2025**



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PRESENT: Performance programme



Audiences: 254
Artists engaged: 7
Volunteers: 18
Volunteer hours: 63

CULTIVATE: Participation programme



Participants: 105
Volunteers: 17
Volunteer hours: 38



Hosts/partners: B! Health & Fitness Honiton, Sid Valley Memory Cafe, Honiton Memory Cafe, Domiciliary Care, Trip Befriending Group

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Audience & partner feedback

Very original, and interactive with the audience and very funny

Some of our friends are not in a good place at the moment on their journey through dementia, today I saw them arrive with the weight of the world on their shoulders then as the musicians played the faces lifted, the shoulders relaxed and they became completely focussed in the moment. It was joyous to witness and to see folk leaving chatting away with smiles on their faces and a spring in their steps.

I am always bowled over by the magical atmosphere that happens when we bring young people together with those living with dementia; today the performers had the rapt attention of everyone in the room and it was obvious to us all that they were having a ball too so win win all the way around!

Thank you for arranging it all for us

surprising sides to people I know in the village

It was fun and fast paced and involved a lot of audience participation which worked really well in our small community setting.

the pub makes a great venue for small shows and it is good to connect with people at the bar

I am so great full (sic) for Villages in Action, and the people they bring to our village. It's great to have the activity, and to do something different, regardless, it's always good to see neighbours and friends!

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[Agri] Culture Network Gathering

Axminster



Attendees: Lemon Plaice, The Tiffin Box, Exmouth Altogether, Membury, Farway, Yarcombe, Axminster community reps, Jam on Top Theatre Co, Honiton Millennium Green, Blackdown Support Group, The Cow and Bean, freelance artists and local promoters

Coming up...

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Noone is Listening (A Ghost Story) by Vic Llewellyn

Sun 23 November, 7.30pm | Stockland Village Hall
Thurs 27 November, 7.30pm | Manor Pavilion Sidmouth



Winter Fanfare by Bournemouth
Symphony Orchestra

Thurs 4 Dec, 7.30pm
The Minster, Axminster