



AURA'S ODYSSEY

11 - 14 AUGUST

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BECOME ONE OF AURA'S GUARDIANS

Aura is a 5 metre high puppet who is visiting Crawley in August as part of her odyssey in the UK. Crawley will welcome her with open arms, sharing stories, music, dance and art with her as she travels around Crawley from 11 - 14 August 2022 as part of the *Enliven: You're Welcome* season funded by Crawley Town Centre BID, Arts Council England and Crawley Borough Council.

We are celebrating the welcoming and diverse nature of Crawley and it's residents with this new art project.

Aura arrives at Gatwick Airport on Thurs 11th August. On Friday 12th she travels to neighbourhoods in Crawley on an open top bus. On Sat 13th August she'll explore the town centre and on Sun 14th we'll say goodbye to her at Tilgate Park.

Aura's Odyssey is an epic reinvention of the story of the Trojan Wars made by Yorkshire based Animated Objects Theatre Company. It was originally commissioned by The Yorkshire Coast Business Improvement District and Aura first arrived as a survivor of the Trojan Wars on the Yorkshire Coast in April and May this year. The next chapter in her odyssey sees her visit Crawley, the only other place outside Yorkshire that she is visiting this year.

We're looking for people in Crawley to volunteer as a Guardian of Aura to help steward the procession when she walks.

We are seeking around 40 volunteers to work with us on Sat 13th August and/or Sunday 14th August to walk alongside Aura to keep her safe. There will be other paid security on the day but the Guardians are a group of people that hold a piece of ribbon/rope around Aura and walk slowly alongside her to keep her and those around her safe.

THE TIME COMMITMENT

REHEARSAL: Weds 10th August 6.30pm – 8.30pm

You will meet Aura in an outdoor location in Crawley and work with the theatre company Animated Objects to understand what the role of a Guardian is and how we will work together on 13th and 14th August.

GUARDIAN SESSION 1: Sat 13th August 10.30am – 1pm

GUARDIAN SESSION 2: Sat 13th August 2pm – 4.30pm

GUARDIAN SESSION 3: Sun 14th August 10.30am – 1pm

You need to be available for at least one of the sessions.

DEADLINE

Please register your interest in volunteering by **30th July**.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Email hello@creativecrawley.com to get involved and feel free to ask questions.

