



AURA'S ODYSSEY

11 - 14 AUGUST

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TAKE PART IN DANCE AND ART WORKSHOPS TO WELCOME AURA

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 are offering a series of weekly workshops over the summer in the run up to August to take part in and perhaps, if it works that way, to create something to share with Aura when she is in Crawley.

CRAWLEY THROUGH YOUR EYES

[Communitas Dance](#) and drama practitioner Lorraine Yu believe that dance can make a positive and transformative impact on the development of individuals and communities. They are dedicated to enabling access to dance for all people and are offering a safe space to women and non-binary people that live in Crawley to share stories, sketch drawings and create something together to offer Aura in August.

Explore your experiences of living in Crawley through dance, movement, and sketching in a friendly, fun, and creative environment. The sessions will hold a safe space for you to share your stories and translate them into different art forms. Dance and drawings created may form part of an artwork to be presented to Aura when she visits Crawley this summer.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Email hello@creativecrawley.com if you'd like to get involved. The workshops will begin in mid-July and we will determine the best time of day and where they will take place depending on the participants.