

## **10 days** **Winchester** **Creative Collisions**

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### **Press Release**

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#### **10 days Winchester creates art in the city**

**10 days** Creative Collisions looks set to be one of the most ambitious and exciting contemporary arts events ever to take place in Winchester. From 25 October to 3 November 2013 this biennial interdisciplinary arts platform will animate the city with new exhibitions, events and creative activity across all art forms including contemporary arts, poetry, science and performance.

With over 150 artists from all areas of practice taking part, the 2013 project will be the third event since the inception of **10 days** in 2009. A successful bid for Arts Council funding has placed it on a firm footing to extend the reach of the project to include more artists than ever before and attract greater audiences to engage with the programme of projects taking place at Winchester Cathedral, at satellite venues across the city and online.

Creative Director Trish Bould explained the concept behind **10 days**, which this year has taken the theme of Creative Collisions. "This year's **10 days** event is a series of innovative, enterprising and challenging contemporary exhibitions, events and participatory projects across Winchester which take their inspiration from the idea of 'collision' as a means of opening a conversation, solving a problem, or sharing something new."

Visitors will be able to experience new art works, including installations, exhibitions and interactive events at Winchester Cathedral, which is hosting over 30 site-specific works, at the Guildhall, Discovery Centre, Theatre Royal, Science Centre, Link Gallery, St Cross Hospital and various businesses, making the city a vibrant creative hub for a 10 day period. In addition, an online presence will enable everyone to join in with digital projects. *Continues on separate page...*

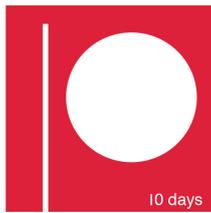
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Arts Council spokesperson Jon Linstrum said: "Winchester deserves its reputation as an artistic centre and **10 days** is going from strength to strength giving local people and visitors experience of the very best creative practice from across the district."

**10 days** | Winchester | Creative Collisions is a partnership with Umbrella Winchester and is supported by Arts Council England, Hampshire County Council, Winchester City Council, Art and Sacred Places, University of Winchester, University of Southampton, Winchester BID, Drawing Place and the Institute of Physics South West.

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Note to editors: **10 days** includes creative work across visual arts, performance, poetry and science.

It includes an interactive *Event Display* online at [www.10dayswinchester.org](http://www.10dayswinchester.org)

Schools across Hampshire are invited to take part in a **10 days** schools project.

Businesses will be hosting exhibitions of special edition prints

It includes ambitious works by Winchester-based international artists, alongside recent graduates.

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