



Actor Call Out

Deadline Tues 28th October 9am

Sprites (R&D)

Rehearsals on the 28th November

Performances 29th & 30th November

Performers must be available for these dates as we are unable to rearrange these.

What is Sprites?

Something mysterious is happening at Scarborough Spa when the visitors go home...

This magical, interactive experience invites families to step behind the scenes of Scarborough Spa into a world filled with wonder and enchantment.

A walkthrough installation, we want to encourage audience members to engage with the space on their own terms, without the need for consistent interaction with performers.

Audience members are tasked with solving a problem that they need to solve through interacting with fantastical characters (the sprites) or discovering secrets in order to restore balance to a world that's gone awry.

As this piece is for Research and Development (R&D), we are envisaging that this short version will be turned into a longer version in 2026 should funding allow. We want to use this version to test out some ideas and see how they work for family audiences.

The performer

We are seeking 2 performers to work within the Sprites installation.

We envisage that the performers will perform a live role, as well as the possibility to provide voices of characters within the installation.

Strong improvisation skills are essential, the ability to sing and previous experience working with children as a performer would be advantageous.

We would love to work with someone from Scarborough or surrounding area, and welcome applications from people of any background or age. Each performer will bring their own ideas to the role.

The script is still in development and characters are yet to emerge.

Structure of the performance

The installation is visited by groups of up to 10 people every 10 minutes, with our performers swapping each time. This role requires performers who:

- Can bring fresh energy to small amounts of dialogue every 20 minutes.
- Are able to improvise with participants including young children and families, while keeping to time and remaining true to the ideas behind the script.
- Is a great voice actor with the ability to voice different characters.
- Able to trigger one or two sounds, or lights from our 'backstage' area if needed (full training will be given and will be very simple to operate)
- Has experience in and/or is excited to, work in an immersive performance

Where does it take place?

Sprites will be performed in the Ocean Room at Scarborough Spa.

When will it be performed?

Times tbc, performers will be given a lunch break.

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Who is involved in Sprites?

Sprites is produced by ARCADE. Commissioned by Scarborough Spa and North Yorkshire Council.

What is the rate of pay?

Performers will be paid £175 per day for 3 days, plus £150 for any additional preparation (line learning), paid on a freelance contract. No travel expenses available.

Applications

In the first instance please send your CV/Spotlight page and a headshot/clear photo of you to info@hello-arcade.com, with the subject heading Sprites Performer. Please include some information on your experience of working with children and families. Applicants would ideally have a DBS check within the last two years, or be willing to undertake one.

We expect interest to be high and as such will not be able to take everyone through to the audition stage.

Auditions

We would like to see performers in person where possible. Auditions for the roles will take place at Woodend, The Crescent, Scarborough, on Tuesday 4th November. All shortlisted actors will receive a piece of script from Sprites ahead of the audition for you to use.