HOW CYCLISTS CAN GET INVOLVED

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27 MARCH – 6 JULY
BIKE STORY, WHAT’S YOURS?

Do you have a Bike Story you can share with us? If the answer is ‘yes’ then why not spend a few minutes at www.bikestory.org.uk, where you can submit pictures and stories. We want stories of all kinds - from the long and rambling to the short and pithy - about life on two wheels. Your stories will form the basis of a new play touring Yorkshire during the Yorkshire Festival 2014.

Contact Jenny on 07973 483055, email: jenny.harris@509arts.co.uk or visit www.bikestory.org.uk to share your story.

CART BEFORE HORSE

Calling all people interested in bikes and tricks, cycling and playing... We are creating a performance for Le Grand Départ in July and during Yorkshire Festival 2014 will be running workshops in Yorkshire at various venues for people to play with artistic cycling tricks, cycle choreography and a rough vocabulary of invented tricks for bikes. There will also be performance workshops run by members of Stumble dance Circus and a possible opportunity to join in our performances. If anyone is interested in attending, scheduling, housing or inputting into any such workshop we’d love to hear from you.

Please get in touch with mish@stumbledancecircus.com and visit www.stumbledancecircus.com

TOUR DE FORCE BICYCLE ORCHESTRAS

Take recycling to a new dimension!

Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival (hcmf//) is seeking donations of bike parts to create instruments for our Tour de Force Bicycle Orchestras. Have you got an old bike gathering dust? Or some parts put aside and going to waste? Free up some space and donate them to hcmf// where they will have a new lease of life as a frame harp, handlebar trumpet, thumb piano or singing wheel!

Whether complete bikes or odd parts, we will happily accept them, whatever state of repair they are in.

To donate, please email Sarah McWatt at s.mcwatt@hud.ac.uk or call 01484 471116. Visit www.hcmf.co.uk/Tour-de-Force-Bicycle-Orchestras for more information.

THE BIG WIDE...

Yorkshire Festival 2014 is proud to be able to share ‘The Big Wide’ – the official festival song. An empowering, uplifting and catchy track to get you in the mood for the festival and the tour, and generally feeling all ‘Yorkshire’! You can listen to the song, watch the music video, and download the lyrics at http://festival.yorkshire.com/join-in-and-downloads. The song is a gift – it’s free for people to take away and make their own! We’ll be adding arrangements for choirs and brass bands, among others, to the festival website, and we’d love to hear the song performed across the county in as many musical styles as possible. So please, listen, share – and get involved.

Find out more about the song and its associated project: www.festival.yorkshire.com/events/the-tour-of-infinite-possibility
Brass bands will be playing at locations along the two stages of the Grand Depart over the weekend of 21 & 22 June. We envisage the cyclists will turn up at the designated locations and hand over a yellow baton to the conductor for the start of their concert. Batons will be sent out in advance to the organiser of the ride. All the group needs to do is plan a ride from whatever starting point they want, which terminates at the concert, where they can hand over the baton and enjoy the concert (and perhaps even have a go at playing a brass instrument afterwards!). Alternatively, the riders could drop the baton off as part of a ride out, perhaps taking a refreshment break there and enjoying part of the concert.

The locations where we have bands playing at are:

**Saturday 21 June** (daytime, exact times tbc)
- Otley (Carnival Showground)
- Muker Village Green
- Leyburn
- Ripon Market Place
- York Parliament Street
- York Coppergate Centre

**Sunday 22 June** (daytime, exact times tbc)
- Hebden Bridge (tbc)
- Skipton (tbc)
- Knaresborough
- Ilkley Bandstand (tbc)
- York Parliament Street

Please note that Brassed On York Ltd does not have the capacity or resources to organise or finance any rides (though we can, of course, publicise them widely and the handovers will provide great photo opportunities too).

Contact Kate Lock for further information or to express your interest: Kate Lock, Brassed On York, Klockworks@btinternet.com, tel: 07792 633984.

Visit [www.festival.yorkshire.com/events/tour-de-brass](http://www.festival.yorkshire.com/events/tour-de-brass) for more information.

### WHITE CLOTH GALLERY

Eyes on Le Tour de France! Throughout the Cultural Festival, White Cloth Gallery are privileged to be hosting an exhibition by world renowned cycling photographer, Graham Watson.

Working in partnership with Rouleur Magazine, WCG will also be exhibiting the work of Bernard Thompson.

A series of beautifully shot cycling related movies will be screened along with Rouleur events including talks, Q & A’s, book signings.

We are looking for cyclists to join in our Rollapaluza competitions and be a part of our full range of exhibitions and events.

Rollapaluza allows riders on stationary bicycles to compete in a series of short times races, to the accompaniment of music and an MC generating a unique atmosphere.

Two cyclists battle it out on a pair of Rollapaluza rollers connected to a giant dial over a simulated 500m distance at speeds in excess of 50mph.

For details contact sharon@whiteclothgallery.com, call 0113 218 1923 or visit [http://www.whiteclothgallery.com/eyes-le-tour-de-france/](http://www.whiteclothgallery.com/eyes-le-tour-de-france/)