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HOME make arts and culture available to enjoy online during lockdown



HOME are continuing to bring culture to Manchester and beyond during the coronavirus lockdown by making a huge range of cultural experiences available via their website.

Theatre

The Manchester arts venue have a constantly-updated list of theatre you can watch online on their website, including shows that should have been in their theatre but have been cancelled or postponed due to the lockdown, such as imitating the dog's Night of the Living Dead – Remix and Actors Touring Company's Amsterdam. There are also works from favourite companies who have previously appeared at HOME, including Wise Children, Poltergeist and Breach Theatre, whose sell-out It's True, It's True, It's True is



one of the shows now available to watch online. You can find the list at www.homemcr.org/online-theatre.

Details of HOME's new commissions series, *Homemakers*, will be released soon, with brand-new work from Bryony Kimmings, Javaad Alipoor and Plaster Cast Theatre.

Visual Art

There is also an online extension of the *Manchester Open Exhibition*, which was due to close on Sunday, March 29. In addition to a video tour of the exhibition and photo galleries of work, there are Q&As and video interviews with artists, and a chat with the exhibition's curator, Bren O'Callaghan. You can find the *Manchester Open – Online*, here: www.homemcr.org/manchester-open-online.

Film

For film lovers, there are a range of deals available with MUBI, Curzon and the BFI Player which allow extended free access to their streaming platforms. Films available to stream include *The Whalebone Box, Portrait of a Lady on Fire* and *What We Do in the Shadows*. To find out more, visit www.homemcr.org/home-home-films.

For a more in-depth look into many of the films, there is also the HOME Film Podcast, which boasts 55 episodes and 27 'specials' – find them all via www.homemcr.org/filmpodcast.

Events

HOME have been hosting a number of live Q&As online, including a World Theatre Day 'in conversation' between Dave Moutrey and Jude Christian, a Q&A with Whalebone Box director Andrew Kotting, and a sold-out Q&A with Amsterdam director Matthew Xia. Details of upcoming events will be posted on the HOME website.

Families

Finally, there is a list of HOME-approved creative activities for families to enjoy available on the website, including signposts to Firstsite's activity packs, featuring artists such as Antony Gormley and Idris Khan, The Book Trust's resource page, and Drama Resource for small wannabe-actors. Find the full list at www.homemcr.org/creative-families.

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HOME is Manchester's centre for international contemporary culture. Since opening in May 2015, HOME has welcomed over two million visitors to its two theatres, five cinemas, art gallery, book shop and restaurants. HOME works with international and UK artists to produce extraordinary

theatrical experiences, producing an exciting mix of thought-provoking drama, dance and festivals, with a strong focus on international work, new commissions and talent development. HOME's ambition is to push the boundaries of form and technology, to experiment, have fun, take risks and share great new art with the widest possible audience. The patrons of HOME are Danny Boyle, actress Suranne Jones, playwright and poet Jackie Kay CBE, artists Rosa Barba and Phil Collins, filmmaker Asif Kapadia, and actress and author Meera Syal CBE. www.homemcr.org | @HOME_mcr | Facebook HOMEmcr

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