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it's our theatre: Thurrock

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The *It's Our Theatre* Crew are Searching for Thurrock's Most Talented Open Auditions for the *it's our theatre: Thurrock Events Team*

Venue: The Thameside Theatre, Grays **Date:** Saturday 7th November **Time:** 1 pm

During a series of workshops in schools across Thurrock, ***it's our theatre*** crew from THEATRE IS... have found some amazingly talented young people. Following the workshops some of the participants shared the Thameside Theatre stage with professional artists from the Throwdown crew at a fabulous Slam Night performance at the on the 29th October. Now the crew want to bring together a team who will be trained and mentored in how to create and put on events in Thurrock.

The ***it's our theatre*** crew now are looking for people with a range of skills to make up the team. As well as performers, there are opportunities for the next generation or stage managers, technicians, organisers, graphic designers, promoters, directors and writers. Basically, they are looking for talent, passion and anyone who's really up for the challenge!

The lucky 20 will work with professional theatre and Hip Hop artists to create, promote and tour a new piece of Hip Hop theatre called '10 Years From Now'. Along the way participants will be given training in the creative and organising skills needed to make the tour a success. Following this they will be given support to put on their own Slam Night at the Thameside Theatre in May next year. And the third step? That will be entirely up to those selected, but the ***it's our theatre*** crew will be there to ensure everyone has the skills and resources they need. All those lucky enough to be selected will also have the chance to gain accreditation through the Arts Award.

Auditions are open to anyone aged between 13 and 19 years (school year 9 or above) and live in Thurrock to take part. Anyone wishing to audition should text their name quoting 'OPEN AUDITION' to 07912 514186.

The audition panel will be MC Charlie Blue, musician Robbie C, dancer Yami and theatre director Stuart Mullins.

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Notes for editors

It's Our Theatre is a project managed by **THEATRE IS....** Commissioned by Thurrock Council and the Thurrock Thames Gateway Development Corporation, the project empowers young people to lead and produce their own cultural events (eg theatre, dance and music shows) and to develop and own the local arts infrastructure.

THEATRE IS... inspires and ignites the artistic leadership of the 21st Century developing young people's artistic talent and ideas.

Throwdown UK, sponsored by Eastpak, runs monthly dance battle events in London, hosts the National Breakdance Championships and regularly tours Europe with the Eastpak Throwdown crew.

