

# Stiltskin Arts & Theatre C.I.C.

*Community business for arts and young people*

Stiltskin is a not-for-profit community arts organisation working with children and their families across the South West of England. The Soapbox Children's Theatre, home to Stiltskin, is an award-winning children's theatre, based within Devonport Park in Plymouth. They are one of only a handful of theatres in Britain that specializes in producing theatre and cultural events for children.

At the Soapbox, Stiltskin run theatre, arts and festival events with children and their families at the heart of everything they do. They run a Discover Shakespeare programme for young people plus many other cultural events from storytelling to festivals and hosting national and international touring companies.

The Soapbox building has an amazing backstory of its own. It started life as a mustard gas decontamination unit during WW2 before falling into disrepair for many years. Stiltskin has reimagined and breathed new life into the space, transforming it into a fantastic creative community hub for young people and their families.



We asked Jac and Iain Slade from Stiltskin:

## **What is special about Community Business?**

*"Everything Stiltskin does happens in and for the community. Being a community business really puts us at the heart of what is most important to us."*

## **What plans does Stiltskin have for the future?**

*"We have a range of upcoming shows and events, with something for everyone. You can also wander around the huge labyrinth in the field next to the theatre and we will be creating a community art garden with a fairy village and other fun activities in the Spellbound Wood behind the theatre. Next time you are in Devonport Park don't forget to offer the fairies a dandelion or daisy just to let them know you're here!"*

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