

————— A fortnight of events celebrating undiscovered creativity —————

# SECRET GARDENS FESTIVAL

7 – 23 June 2012

Across Salford, Trafford and  
The Quays - All welcome



Image by  
Rebecca Kevill



Showcase Events: BBC and University of Salford, MediaCityUK - 22 June (10am - 6pm) and 23 June (10am - 4pm)

For more information about all the events and how you can get involved visit [www.secretgardensfestival.net](http://www.secretgardensfestival.net)

# Introduction

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Hello everybody,

The Secret Gardens Festival is your chance to discover hidden treasures, incredible local creativity and unsung talent in Salford and Trafford between Thursday 7 June and Saturday 23 June 2012.



From Wurlitzer organ recitals in Eccles, to Japanese shrines in Salford and storytelling in Trafford, there is something for everyone to do no matter what age you are.

Following our launch in Islington Park on 7 June, come for Afternoon Tea with the Women's Institute at Islington Mill, join Mike Scantlebury to start writing a book about the festival, find information in the Community Information Exchange and answer 'A Question to Pose' on the Japanese shrine.

After two weeks of events everything will culminate in a two day showcase in MediaCityUK. See brand new performances, street art, unpredictable sculptures, films of the Secret Gardens Festival and much much more!

We hope to see you there!

Steve Cunio,  
Secret Gardens Festival Coordinator  
And The Festival Team

[www.secretgardensfestival.net](http://www.secretgardensfestival.net)



## Launch Event .....



**7 June, 4.10pm for 4.15pm start  
Islington Park, off  
Chapel Street**

Official launch at Islington Park Peace Garden mosaic. Join us to view the Secret Gardens mosaic and for a Hearty Salford Singsong with Eileen from the Creation Cafe and a dance performance by the Supakids, Gorse Hill Studios.

**Then walk with us to Islington Mill for 5pm for:**

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Afternoon Tea with the Women's Institute

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Community Information Exchange - set up a stall or just bring your flyers for some good old neighbourly chat

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Star in and help write the Secret Gardens Festival book with Mike Scantlebury

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A performance by the Sisters in Arms Rappers

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'A Question to Pose' - the unveiling of Islington Mill's Japanese shrine.



## A QUESTION TO POSE JAPANESE SHRINE

**Activity (All ages) - 7th June (4 till late) and 17th June (4 till late)**  
**Islington Mill, James Street, M3 5HW**

Our project is inspired by Japanese Buddhist street shrines that appear in small gardens and public parks across Japanese cities. These shrines are covered in paper strips, attached with glue by people who had travelled specifically to see the shrine. People were invited to write on pieces of white paper considering problematic elements affecting their lives and write them down on the strip of paper, gluing it to the shrine and performing the ritual of clambering through the sculpture itself which evokes the help of the spirit to enable the person to begin to deal with these issues. Together with CHERYL, an artist collective from New York, we will be posing a question of our own, asking people to add to the sculpture and clamber through to the other side.

**Islington Mill, 0161 278 6404**



## OAK STREET WALL INSTALLATION

**Installation (All ages)**  
**Oak Street, Eccles, M30 0GE**

'Wall' is a feast of colour made from a permanent

installation that encapsulates artworks created by the residents of Oak Street. Artworks produced by local residents have been transformed into bricks that rebuild and restructure the walls on Oak Street. Why not come down and take a look?

**To find out more email Rebecca,**  
**r.j.kevill@edu.salford.ac.uk**

## PEOPLES VOICE MEDIA

**Free course**

Are you interested in telling your Secret Gardens story or recording your event and sharing it online? People's Voice Media is offering training to the Secret Gardens Festival participants to help you record your stories and events using words, pictures, audio and video which you can publish on the Secret Gardens website. If you can send an email you've got the basic skills to attend these sessions.

**To find out more email**  
**david@peoplesvoicemedia.co.uk**

## SECRET GARDENS @ SALFORD CITY COLLEGE

As part of a wider summer sketchbook project, Salford City College students will use social media tools such as Twitter, Facebook and the geo-social digital mapping tool Maxamundo to share visual narratives in the form of images, video and/or text on the theme of Secret Gardens as cherished, enclosed and protected spaces. Participants in the Secret Gardens event will be able to track student contributions both virtually and physically as they make their way round the various locations being showcased in the event and are invited to share their own ideas/images in response thereto via the various Secret Gardens websites.

**To find out more email**  
**Luke Dickens exs01ld@gold.ac.uk**



## CREATURE CRAWL ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

**10th June**

**Broughton residents working with The Lowry on Walkabout**

Local residents, families and school children from Riverview Primary in Broughton, working with artists from The Lowry on Walkabout, are making a Creature Crawl for the Manchester Day Parade. Among the creatures will be a large Griffin, creatures represented in the Salford coat of arms, creatures that are found in historical stories of East Salford and mythical creatures that participants create to represent the things they love, are proud of and aspire to see in the Broughton Community.

The Creature Crawl will be premiered at the Manchester Day Parade on Saturday 10th June. Come and see them carry the Salford flag in the Parade.



## BUS TV

Throughout the festival, we are inviting artists, local people, organisations, students and creative practitioners to submit film content for screening on the buses which travel between Salford Crescent station and The Quays. The material will be themed around 'secret gardens' and broadcast on the showcase days and after the festival. Films can be about events that take place as part of the festival or anything which links, however loosely with the theme of 'secret gardens'. The buses have no audio so you will need to find a way of telling your story visually and without sound! There's a challenge!

**For more info or for a set of content guidelines, contact Kathy McArdle, [kathy.mcardle@thelowry.com](mailto:kathy.mcardle@thelowry.com)**



## STEPPING STONES AT ORDSALL HALL

**7 June 10am - 12noon**

**Installation (All ages)**

**Ordsall Hall, M5 3AN**

Danielle and David are working with artist Debbie Kelly to create a series of Secret Gardens Stepping Stones with people of all ages to be placed in the garden at Ordsall Hall.

**Ordsall Hall, 0161 872 0251**

## ART AND CRAFTS

**7, 14 & 21 June, 1 - 3pm**

**Making (All ages particularly over 55s)**

**Anchor, M7 2EH**

Arts and Crafts lessons. Glass painting, card making, water colours or whatever you fancy. £1.00 to cover cost of materials and refreshments.

**James Walker, 0161 792 8605**

### HAVE A GO CERAMICS

7, 14 & 21 June / 12 - 2pm  
Ceramics (Family Friendly)  
The Chapel Street and Hope United Reformed  
Church, Lamb Court, M3 6AF

Come and get creative! Drop in and make a pot  
or decorative ornament on a garden theme.

Visit Friends of the URC on Facebook for  
more information. Amber Sanchez,  
07905 558 523 or Chris Doyle, 07814 688 027



**SECRET GARDENS**  
THURSDAYS 12-2 PM  
7th, 14th, 21st June 2012



**POTTERY**  
WORKSHOPS (£1)

**DROP IN & ENJOY!**  
CHAPEL STREET & HOPE URC CHURCH LAMB COURT SALFORD M3 6AF

### MIKE SCANTLEBURY'S 'THE SECRET GARDEN' NOVEL WRITING

7 June, Launch of Secret Gardens Festival, 5 pm Islington Mill, M3 5HP

13 & 20 June 10 am Writing (Adults)  
Ordsall Neighbourhood Centre, 2 Robert Hall Street

Many things make the Secret Garden Festival unique, but one truly unique feature is that a novel is being written about the event - as it happens. Local people will have the opportunity to get involved and contribute to the plot and focus of the book by attending any one of a series of workshops - for details see listing above. Each session will last one hour max and we'll have tea and coffee.

More details on the Festival website are at [www.Salford.me](http://www.Salford.me) where early drafts of the novel by author Mike Scantlebury can be viewed.

### OUR GARDEN IS A WHOLE WORLD

7 & 8 June 11am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Making and storytelling (ages 5 - 12)  
Ordsall Hall, M5 3AN

Drop in during Whit half-term to explore the hidden treasures in Ordsall Hall's garden. Be inspired to create vegetable creatures that live in the garden and send them on an urban safari. Using digital cameras capture their exciting adventures.

Hazel Fenton, 0161 686 7444



### BASIC IN BLOOM: RE-OPENING THE ENCHANTED GARDEN

8 June  
Open Garden (All ages)  
BASIC, 554 Eccles New Rd, Salford M5 5AP

BASIC work to improve life after brain and spinal injury, invaluable to the lives of thousands of people across the UK. All BASIC clients, carers, volunteers and members of the local community are invited to enjoy the annual re-opening of our very own, newly improved 'Enchanted Garden'.

Please call Tara Hodges, 0161 707 6441 for times.



### **IN BLOOM: OSBORNE STREET WILDFLOWER GARDEN**

**8 - 12 June**  
**Garden Creation (All ages)**  
**M6 5LG**

All local residents irrespective of age, race and creed come down and join in the planting of around 5000 seeds in our new wildflower community garden.

**Jenny Sowerby, 0161 737 3432 for further information and times**

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### **LANCASTRIAN THEATRE ORGAN TRUST OPEN DAY**

**8 & 15 June 11am - 3pm**  
**Music (All ages)**  
**Lancastrian Theatre Organ Trust, M30 7HJ**

Be amazed by the Museum dedicated to Cheshire's Victorian "Father of the Cinema Organ" – Robert Hope-Jones – as you go on a behind the scenes tour of the Wurlitzer.

**Roger Fisher, [rcfgromit@btinternet.com](mailto:rcfgromit@btinternet.com)**

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### **OUR OWN SECRET GARDEN PEEL PARK**

**9 June, 1 - 4pm**  
**Fun Day (Family Friendly)**  
**Peel Park, meet at Salford Museum and Art Gallery, M5 4WU**

Did you know a garden existed behind the Museum and University? Meet at the art gallery or wander down into Peel Park, join in with the activities and discover the hidden garden that is Peel Park. Come along to this family friendly fun day and take part in walks, Tree Tales, bug hunts and forage for your own woodland food.

**Linda Richings, 0161 295 4494**

### **"NO RUBBISH TIPPED HERE" FESTIVAL POSTCARD PACKS**

**9 June, 11am - 6pm**  
**Postcard Launch (All ages)**  
**The Modernist Society, 142 Chapel St, M3 6AF**

The Modernist Society launches a series of four postcards illustrating pre-generated urban spaces which acted as alternative gardens and unlikely playgrounds for a generation of Salfordians.

The images have been selected from an archive collated by the University of Salford from their intergenerational project 'Salford in Pictures'. The images, taken by non professional photographers and local people, reveal beauty in unexpected places.

Launch at 'the modernist shop', on Saturday 9th of June (11am – 6pm) with an exhibition of the images and a screening of Mike Goodger's 1960's film 'Salford - the other side'

**The Modernist Society, 0161 839 5460**  
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**[www.the-modernist-mag.co.uk/pop-up-shop](http://www.the-modernist-mag.co.uk/pop-up-shop)**





## DIY THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS "SYCAMORE"

**Tuesday 19th June 2012 1pm**  
**The Angel Centre, 1 St Philips Place,  
Salford, M3 6FA**

Inspired by Andrew McKeown's "Seed" Sculpture and the poetry of Lios Keith, DIY's devised production explores the significance of our own "Secret Garden" behind St Phillip's Church.

Who meets on the bench beside the sculpture? What does the space mean to the people who meet there? DIY Theatre Company's performance and video explore themes of connection and separation, of independence and inter-dependence.

There is no charge for this event, but places are limited. **Email us at [diytheatre@googlemail.com](mailto:diytheatre@googlemail.com) or ring us on 0161 212 4984 to book your ticket.**

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## HANGING BASKETS WITH RESIDENTS OF MOORS HOUSE RESIDENTIAL HOME

**Making (Not a public event)**  
**13 June**  
**Eccles 6th Form**

Residents from Moors House Residential Home in Salford will come to the college for a workshop on putting together hanging baskets run by some of the horticulture students at the Eccles Sixth Form Centre.

**Eccles Sixth Form Centre, 0161 631 5584**

## KINOFILM: SECRET TALENTS OF SALFORD

**13 June 7:30-10:30pm**  
**Film (Cert 15+) £3/£4 - £2 for  
Salford residents**

A screening programme of short films by film-makers based in or created by Salford residents. The films will be made by a variety of individuals and creatives that express and show the creative and sometimes secret talents of the area.

**John Wojowski, [info@kinofilm.org.uk](mailto:info@kinofilm.org.uk)**

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## RADICAL GARDENING

**13 June 2pm**  
**Talk (Adults)**  
**Working Class Movement Library,  
51 Crescent, M5 4WX**

The Working Class Movement Library will be hosting a free talk, 'Radical Gardening', by George McKay. George's new book, Radical Gardening: politics, idealism & rebellion in the garden, aims to show how notions of utopia, of community, of peace and of activism are worked through in the garden.

And alongside the talk we're issuing an invitation for a tour of our amazing and little-known garden, which is home to an astonishing range of unusual trees and plants.

**WCML 0161 736 3601,  
[www.wcml.org.uk](http://www.wcml.org.uk)**



## WURLITZER SHOWCASE

**13 June 1-00pm - 2-30pm**  
**Music (All ages) £3.50 on the door**  
**Lancastrian Theatre Organ Trust, M30 7HJ**

Mark Ireland gives his second concert at Peel Green, travelling from Somerset. Professionally he demonstrates 'Roland' digital organs, as well as giving concerts country-wide.

**Roger Fisher, rcfgromit@btinternet.com**

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## START IN THE PARK

**14 June 12:30pm - 4pm**  
**Performance/event and interactive session**  
**(All ages)**

**The Old Bowling Green Buile Hill Park,**  
**Salford**

A range of activities to celebrate the park and its memories/people's stories featuring a poet/storyteller, music and a DJ, willow sculpture, juggling and activities around hoola hooping. There will also be healthy food and drinks.

**START, 0161 351 6000**

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## FAMILY FUN DAY

**16 June 12noon - 3pm**  
**(Family Friendly)**  
**Rainbow Rooms, Eccles, M30 0QN**

A fun, family-friendly event with popular interactive games and face-painting as well as European crafts, music and food. The event will be introduced in both English and Polish.

**Aleksandra Zgrabczynska, 07405 847 636**



cotttryside in the Second World War. In this interactive Family Friendly session, visitors can choose what happens, so each storytelling session will be different. The family friendly session includes dressing up, object handling and multi-sensory resources.

**Imperial War Museum North, 0161 836 4000 / [www.iwm.org.uk/visits/iwm-north](http://www.iwm.org.uk/visits/iwm-north)**

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## BILLY'S WAR

**16 June 11.30am**  
**Storytelling Performance (ages 4-10)**  
**Imperial War Museum North, M17 1TZ**  
**Meet underneath the Harrier Jump Jet**

Timed to coincide with Once Upon A Wartime, a major exhibition about some of the best loved children's novels about war, this special storytelling session offers the chance to meet Lavinia the lovely tree. Hear Lavinia telling the tale of charming rag doll character Billy and discover his tale of evacuation from Salford to the

## GARDENING WITH FRECCLES

**Saturday 16th June 10am - 2pm**  
**Smiths Restaurant at the top of**  
**Church Street**

The Friends of Eccles Station (Freccles) aim to improve the environment and passenger services at Eccles Station and put the station back into the heart of the community.

We have transformed the platform wastelands into award winning gardens. The future looks good - the line will be electrified by 2014, bringing a more frequent train service.

**Learn more at our Coffee Morning**  
**Light lunches/ Guided tours of the**  
**gardens. David Yates 07986 531 732**



## **SALFORD LADS CLUB 'TALES FROM CAMP' AND TOUR**

**16 & 17 June 12 - 4pm**  
**Exhibition, Storytelling, Tour (All ages)**  
**Salford Lads and Girls Club, M5 3RX**

An exhibition taken from the unique archive of Salford Lads' Club, including photographs and films. The exhibition includes a new permanent display of 100 framed pictures of the annual Salford Lads' Club camps from 1904 – 2011. Together with 'Tales from Camp' a collection of short films produced as the result of a year-long collaboration between Salford Lads Club and Goldsmiths College, University of London. Supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

[www.salfordladsclub.org.uk](http://www.salfordladsclub.org.uk)

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## **BRITISH 60S CINEMA**

**17th June 2pm Matinee**  
**Film (Cert - PG) £3/£4 - £2 for Salford residents**  
**6pm Double Bill (Cert 12) -**  
**£6/£4 - £3 (£4/£3 - £2 for one film)**  
**Black Lion, 65 Chapel St, M3 5BZ**

A feature screening of one or two classic features of British cinema and the "Kitchen Sink" drama of the 1960s. We will celebrate the work of Salford writer /actress Shelagh Delaney in the famous and legendary cinematic masterpieces of the era; Tony Richardson's adaptation of the Shelagh Delaney novel "A Taste of Honey", the perfect example of the "New British Cinema" of the 1960s about working class life in Salford.

**John Wojowski, [info@kinofilm.org.uk](mailto:info@kinofilm.org.uk)**

## **ACTION DAY KERSAL DALE**

**17 June 10am - 3pm**  
**Volunteer Ranging**  
**(Family Friendly)**  
**Meet at Garden Needs, Salford,**  
**M6 7NT**

Come and join the Salford Ranger Team and the Friends of Kersal Dale on their 2012 conservation action days. Help improve the nature reserve and learn new skills. Equipment and refreshments provided.

**Salford Ranger Team,**  
**0161 793 4219**

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## **STAG: NOT SO SECRET ANYMORE**

**17 - 23 June 7 - 9pm**  
**Exhibition (All ages)**  
**Sacred Trinity Church,**  
**Chapel St, M3 5DN**

An exhibition by a collaboration of local artists which aims to display a variety of multimedia art. The work displayed will reflect personal approaches to the themes in the book 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett; the Islington area of Salford; and the song by Berborn Beton "My Secret Garden".

**Sacred Trinity Arts Group,**  
**0161 839 1180**  
**<http://cscarts.wordpress.com/stag>**



Salford Lads Club



## WHAT NANCY DID NEXT

**17 June 11.30am**

**Storytelling Performance (Ages 4-10)**

**Imperial War Museum North, M17 1TZ**

**Meet underneath the Harrier Jump Jet**

Timed to coincide with Once Upon A Wartime, a major exhibition about some of the best loved children's novels about war, this special storytelling session offers the chance to meet Alby the Apple Tree. Hear Alby telling the tale of Nancy and her life in the Land Army in the Second World War. Learn about her wartime experiences away from home and making new friends, especially with a quiet and timid horse called Rufus. In this interactive Family Friendly session, visitors can choose what happens, so each storytelling session will be different. The session uses puppets and multi-sensory resources including sounds and smells.

**Imperial War Museum North, 0161 836 4000**

**[www.iwm.org.uk/visits/iwm-north](http://www.iwm.org.uk/visits/iwm-north)**

## WILD FOOD FORAGE

**20 June 5.30 for 6pm start**

**Walkabout (All ages, small children to be accompanied by an adult)**

**£2 per person**

**Garden Needs, Radford Street, Salford, M6 7NT**

Wild Food Forage in search of Salford's hidden fruit and food. We'll be walking through Kersal Dale along the majestic River Irwell. Wear appropriate footwear and bring a waterproof if it looks like rain!

**Emma Smith,**

**[emma@socialadventures.org.uk](mailto:emma@socialadventures.org.uk)**

## WURLITZER SHOWCASE

**20 June 1.00pm - 2.30pm**

**Music (All ages) £3.50 on the door**

**Lancastrian Theatre Organ Trust, M30 7HJ**

Chris Powell, a native of Manchester but now living in Derbyshire, also makes his second appearance here. His playing style is much in the Blackpool tradition having been one of the team playing there. He gives concert tours in Australia and New Zealand amongst many other exotic places.

**Roger Fisher,**

**[rcfgromit@btinternet.com](mailto:rcfgromit@btinternet.com)**

## BROUGHTON POETRY DAY

**21 June Time 10am - 2.30pm**

**Type of event (Family Friendly)**

**Broughton Hub, 50 Rigby Street, M7 4BQ**

Broughton Poetry Day is an annual celebration of life in East Salford through storytelling and the literary arts. This year we invite you to step into a Secret Garden where you will reminisce along twisting pathways and share enchanted tales. Have a go at creating a poetry garden, dig up some hidden memories on our treasure map, make your own time capsule to bury in your garden and contribute to the next few verses of the ever growing Big Broughton Poem.

**Harriet Morgan-Shami, 0161 295 9003**

**Today is a special day at MediaCityUK and The Quays, where people who work locally, local residents and schools are invited to the area for a wide range of exciting events, including:**

- Screening of four films created with Tom Reeves, BBC Producer and BBC Outreach, inspired by the theme of 'secret places'
- A trail of films accessed via a series of QR codes dotted around the site to create a special 'secret garden'
- Screening of films about events and activities that took place during the Festival
- 'Tales from Camp' – 16 short films produced by the Lads Club with support from Goldsmith's University remembering 100 years of camping at the club.
- 'The Salford Birdman' drawing workshop with Lesley Holmes, working to create a large-scale collaborative exhibition image.
- Unpredictable Sculptures with artist Tom Greenstreet
- Launch of 'Mouths and Meaning' publication by Bronwen Platten
- 'Secret Gardens Festival' exhibition open to the public in The University of Salford, 10 am to 6 pm.

**For full listings of events for the showcase see [www.secretgardensfestival.net](http://www.secretgardensfestival.net) and [www.thequays.org.uk/secretgardensshowcase](http://www.thequays.org.uk/secretgardensshowcase)**



## How to get to The Quays

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### MetroLink

Alight at MediaCityUK or Harbour City MetroLink stop for The Lowry, MediaCityUK, IWM North, Salford Tourist Information Centre. Alight at Exchange Quay MetroLink stop for Ordsall Hall Museum

### Bus

Salford Quays Link service No.9 runs from Salford Crescent rail station and Links Salford Shopping City with MediaCityUK and The Lowry at The Quays. Service connects with other buses from across Greater Manchester at Salford Shopping City.



Bus no. 250 from Manchester Piccadilly Gardens to the Trafford Centre stops on Wharfside Way. Alight here and walk along Elevator Road to IWM North.



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- Heritage Rickshaw tours of The Quays
- A chance to contribute to Mike Scantlebury's novel 'Secret Gardens Festival' being written throughout the festival and to hear some extracts from the book.
- Geo-caching around The Quays
- A 'secret gardens' installation and creative activities
- Storytelling at IWM North
- A trail of films accessed via a series of QR codes dotted around the site to create a special 'secret garden'

- Screenings of films by emerging artists from Salford and Trafford
- 'Tales from Camp' - 16 short films produced by the Lads Club with support from Goldsmith's University remembering 100 years of camping at the club.
- 'The Salford Birdman' exhibition created as part of the showcase day on Friday 22nd June
- Unpredictable Sculptures with artist Tom Greenstreet
- 'Secret Gardens Festival' exhibition open to the public in The University of Salford, 10 am to 4 pm.

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## THE NIGHT GARDEN

**Time 10.30am to 2.30pm  
Interactive visitor attraction (All ages)  
Langworthy Cornerstone, M6 5QQ**

As part of Langworthy Cornerstone's 10th anniversary day celebrations, local children will create a night garden full of mysterious flowers, sounds, plants & creatures of the night. Can they crack the secret of the night garden & win a prize?

**John Phillips, 0161 212 4481 or  
[John.phillips@langworthycornerstone.co.uk](mailto:John.phillips@langworthycornerstone.co.uk)**

**If you want to enjoy both the Secret Gardens Festival showcase and Langworthy Cornerstone's Tenth Birthday, it's easy to get from one to the other. Just take the Number 9 Salford QuaysLink bus which stops outside the Cornerstone on Langworthy Road to The Quays or vice versa.**

**Thanks to all our Quays partner organisations and our community and voluntary partner organisations for their contribution to this festival.**



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