



OVER BY CHRISTMAS? WWI TOURING BELL TENT

Worcestershire World War One Hundred is commemorating each year of the Great War, and would like to support your school, group or community in on-going projects, research and commemorations.



For those who lived through the First World War, it wasn't just about the outbreak of war, the four years which followed must have seemed endless. For the men who lived in the trenches, of course, but also for the women and children left behind.

Worcestershire World War One Hundred is commemorating the whole centenary. There are a number of ways we can support you in your commemorations.

You may wish to book our touring WWI Bell Tent. It is 5m in diameter and requires a turf pitch of c. 10 metres in diameter.

The tent provides an atmospheric venue for any WWI event, and can be used for display purposes or as an activity space. It accommodates c. 15 small children or several family groups.

For bookings, please contact KPhillipson@worcestershire.gov.uk

There is NO CHARGE. This project is HLF funded.



And ... you may wish to select an artist / historical interpreter to accompany the tent (they will deliver a session on a World War One theme.)

Kate Brookes – artist, photographer and maker of stuff

An experienced project artist, Kate can deliver the 'Tokens of Love' workshop. She will encourage groups to create sweet heart pin cushions, similar to those made by convalescing WWI soldiers. Kate will explain the history of these textile pieces, and provide the materials for the make.

Fergus McGonigal – performance poet

This workshop offer can be adapted to suit different groups and ages, and will include the recital and explanation of familiar WWI poems, and the encouragement of a collaborative group poem and individual pieces. Fun, thoughtful and challenging.

Gwen Williams – Writer and Performer

For the younger school audience Gwen will read her trilogy of short Remembrance stories – Poppy train, Sweet Hay and Violets. For the older audience, Gwen will perform 'Home Fires' – exploring women's experience during the years 1914- 18 (this production will involve 2 actors.)

Discover History – historical interpreters

A small friendly team who deliver historical accuracy and authenticity. Choose from the VAD Nurse and Soldier in Blues, the Munitions Worker, the Land Army Girl, Tommies in the Trench, Edwardian Civilians or the Volunteers Training Corps and WWI Cavalry and Local Recruitment Station.

Sessions will be adapted to suit the age and size of groups.



PEOPLE'S COLLECTION EXHIBITION

We want you and your ancestors to be part of Worcestershire World War One Hundred! We are interested in your family photos, diaries, letters from the first World War. If you would like to loan or gift material for a special exhibition, contact us through our website.

You can also share your World War One photos and stories on our social media pages.

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