

## A NEW PUBLIC SPACE FOR ART & SOCIAL ACTIVITY



### THE WHITE HOUSE

884 GREEN LANE, RM8 1BX

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#### Dear Resident,

You may have noticed that there is building work going on at the White House on Green Lane.

This August The White House will re-open as a new public space for art and social activity, inspired by the history of housing in east London.

We are Create, an arts organisation that has worked on a number of projects in the borough including *This Used to be Fields* mural at Valence House with Creative Barking and Dagenham, *The Idol* soft play at Abbey Leisure Centre and hop picking trips with *Company Drinks*.

We are excited to establish this new space for all kinds of artistic and cultural activity, and look forward to welcoming you round to the house for exhibitions, events and performances, and to hearing your own stories and ideas.

**Come along to our Open Day at the White House on Sat 20 August, 12noon – 5pm, and be the first to see the newly-restored space, meet the artists and find out more.**

See you soon,  
All at Create

[createlondon.org](http://createlondon.org)

#### Your New Neighbours

Four artists are invited to live at The White House over the next year, to make new art and join people living locally to build a vision for this new public building.

Artists Chad McCail and Patrick Goddard will be our first artists in residence from August – November. Chad will create a public performance in November and Patrick will make a film from his research with local people.

In January two new artists will move in, one of which will be a Barking & Dagenham resident. We are looking for someone who is active in their community and wants to develop their art practice. We will be putting the call out soon so watch this space and spread the word!

#### Story Making Workshop

Mon 22 – Fri 26 Aug

11am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm

Age 13+, adults welcome

Learn how to make puppets, costumes and masks, and help artist Chad McCail write the story for his Dagenham-inspired performance later this year.

#### Props, Mask & Costume Making Workshops

Weekly from

Wed 31 Aug & Thu 1 Sept (until Nov)

12pm – 2pm

16+, all abilities welcome

Join artist Chad McCail to create costumes for his performance.

#### Film Making Workshop

8-week course from Mon 5 Sept

6pm – 8pm

16+, all abilities welcome

Artist Patrick Goddard hosts a short film-making course. All welcome for a short screening of his films Mon 5 Sept. Limited places for the rest of the course so please get in touch to book.

**To find out more and book your place call Sophie on 020 7382 7284 or email [whitehouse@createlondon.org](mailto:whitehouse@createlondon.org)**

## The Front Room

In addition to our artists' programme, we will be hosting lots of regular drop-in activities in our front room.

### Coffee Morning

Weekly from Mon 29 August, 10am – 12pm, everyone welcome  
Come and have a chin wag over free coffee and biscuits.

### Gardening Club

Weekly from Wed 31 August, 3.30pm - 5pm, Green fingers we need your help! The garden needs some urgent TLC bring your tools and any plants you can donate.

### Thursday Dinners

Thu 1 September, 5pm - 8pm, everyone welcome  
Chat, eat and meet your neighbours at our Pot Luck welcome dinner. Please bring something small to the table to share if you can.

### Film Night

Last Friday of the month from 30 September. 6pm onwards. Classic film screenings - suggestions welcome. BYOB & popcorn!

**What would you like to see in The White House? Send us your suggestions at [whitehouse@createlondon.org](mailto:whitehouse@createlondon.org) and like**

## The Garden

We are now crowd-funding to create a beautiful public garden at the back of the house. The Mayor of London has just pledged £10,000 to help us make this happen! You can find out more and support the project at [spacehive.com/the-white-house-garden](http://spacehive.com/the-white-house-garden)



LINTON ROAD SHOW LIVING ROOM, 1961



TOWN SHOW ART EXHIBITION, 1957



ALIENS AT THE TOWN SHOW, 1960S

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