

### MAD Sustainable Design

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Alignment: Chaotic Good

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# Side Quests!

#### Walkabout Quests.

Quests will be written on little scrolls and picked out of a bag, including:

- Situational/ Dice roll quests
- 'Captain says...'
- 'Make a Friend... And then betray them...'

Questers can recieve 'Quest Master' patches for completing quests or more interesting small prizes if they complete multiple/ harder quests e.g. magic beans and herbal pouches etc.

#### **Static Quests**

Quests will be on a Quests Board for people to choose what they would like to do. I will have crewmembers assigned to quests to assist and perform/ interact with festival-goers.

For static quests we require access to an undercover space Tavern/medieval market or pirate ship, so we have a station for if it rains, though we like to work in the 'beer garden' when its sunny so we can do quests like 'Walk the Plank' with water guns!

With static performance we are able to do a larger variety of quests: Walk the Plank, Hoopla, Message in a bottle, Best Dressed Quest and more; as well as this the quests provide the punters with magic beans which they can then exchange for magical items at the 'Black market'...

Black market shop is the most enticing and we can bring more interesting items when the festival can provide a themed table or wheeled tavern type prop for us if they have any themed items in inventory (Mez can help with making it up on site if given notice ) This is flexible and can decide which quests to provide based on the space available.

#### MAP of Site Quest

-orienteering style. This is new, only trialed between friends and if you have a map of site ready we may be able to do something like this for your event. Please contact directly about this.

## Relevant Background/ Experience

- <u>MAD Sustainable Design</u> (Nov 2020-Present. started after 5 years in creative education) Sole Trader and Professional Facilitator.

Workshops and Projects done include: Petal Pixie workshops at Manly Park Festival and at Platt Fields Market Garden events with kids all ages (craft); Willow spirals making; Fence making with Kindling Trust, local chopping workshop (+talk); Trellis workshop with Olinda community garden and one with Gaskell Garden Project. Adults to co-create their archway/ Modular sculpture; Flax basket making; Wreath workshops Altogether nearly 50 workshops in 3 years.

Recent projects include: Willow Bats comission for Chester zoo event collaborating with Wild Rumpus.

- <u>Just So Festival Volunteer 2019</u> Part of the team facilitating making willow lanterns for the closing ceramony parade, as well as a masks workshop. Decor team pre-festival including erecting 50 flags, painting and crafts.
- <u>Tibetan Kitchen (2016 -present)</u>

Festival food trader work every year. I have a lot of experience in the festival circuit. Ususally 8 per year. Driving stock with a van and trailer, serving customers, organising staff and rotas, supervising/ management role.

- Queer Roots Collective 2024 Alternative Pride

Artist liason for over 20 artist/ workshop leaders in a 2 day festival in Manchester. Making sure timings run smoothly and artists have everything they need.

#### Map Quest. Birthday 2023

We created a Treasure hunt quest including 'hijacking' a canal boat to find a potion seller with magic reveal potion, archery baloon popping, puzzle piece map and more.



Timber Festival Seed Stage
decoration 2024
Worked with Wild Rumpus
and facilitated a full day of
workshops with their
volunteers to create willow
flower decorations for their
new stage.



#### 'Not A Cult' Festival 2023

- -Workshop 'Think Global Act Local'
- -Walkabout 'Quests' as Pirates.





Boomtown
Festival - 2019
With 'Sense In
Dimensions'
Eco Police. engaging
with festival goers
about their waste.



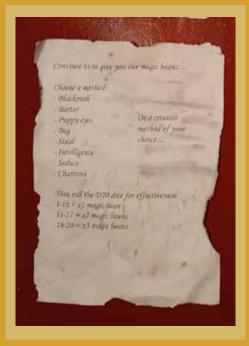
<u>'Edge of the Wild 'Festival Resident Artist</u> 2023 – Weaving Dreams

Part of the opening ceramony we put some willow into the river to soak traditional style. Had my own tent area. Willow Workshops in my dedicated tent to cocreate a sculpture for dream weaving session.









### SECRET GARDEN PARTY FESTIVAL 2024

8 crew, static Side Quests at The Prize Cock Tavern. Hand-made props and costume. Videos available on Instagram:

- https://www.instagram.com/p/C-FTQbqNfwf/
- https://www.instagram.com/p/C-FfCqytbGZ/

Main promo video via website:

-https://www.madsustainabledesign.co.uk/MADS ide Quests

## Required Resources

#### Costs

- X crewmember tickets and potentially van parking pass for some crew members
- Meal vouchers/ crew meals is also appreciated for the crew working hours
- MAD Van parking on site.
- Diesel 45p per mile return distance from Chorlton, Manchester.

#### Walkabout - 2 hours - £400

Min no. of crew/ performers x3. We can engage 3-4 people at a time and most quests take a 5 minutes for people to complete. Some people do multiple quests

Each +1 crew: £50

<u>Static</u> - 3 hours interactive performance + set up and take down - £ 700 min number of crew/ performers x4. We can engage around 8-10 people at one time. Quests and black market tavern can be between 3 minutes to 20 minutes depending on how many quests they complete

Each +1 crew: £70

x6-8 crew is optimal for this style of performance for larger events

Me and my crew will be dressed up, usually as pirates but depends on the crew, sometimes we have fairies and other similar things. For example at Secret Garden Party 2024 we had a sea enchantress and her urchin friend doing sea related quests.

If your event is themed we can take this into consideration.

The Experience will be elevated by costumes that myself and crew will be wearing, some of which are hand-made by Mez.