

## BOILERPLATE

Theatre by the Lake is Cumbria's professional producing theatre, bringing the world to Cumbria and Cumbria to the world.

Each year we produce work of acclaimed ambition and integrity, and present nearly 400 performances across our two auditoria. Theatre made by TBTL, in Cumbria, tours on a national scale as well as to communities across the region. We also present an eclectic programme of professional visiting work. At our home on the banks of Derwentwater, we welcome a mix of audiences from across Cumbria and those visiting The Lakes from across the globe.

We create opportunities for people of all ages and interests, from developing local artists to engaging young people in all aspects of what we do. We also host and support performances by local charities, community groups and amateur companies.

The theatre has been hailed by The Independent as 'the most beautifully located and friendly theatre in Britain' and is just a short stroll from Derwentwater on the edge of Keswick, amid the magnificent western fells of the Lake District, which has been awarded UNESCO World Heritage status. From its origins as the Blue Box, Theatre by the Lake was willed into existence by the local community and opened by Judi Dench in 1999. 25 years later, under the co-leadership of Artistic Director, Liz Stevenson and Executive Director, Simon Stephens, the theatre continues to consolidate its role as a vital community asset, embarking on a new strategic direction which places emphasis on our social value and an inherent connection to place.

Theatre by the Lake (as Cumbria Theatre Trust) is a registered charity, number 516673.

