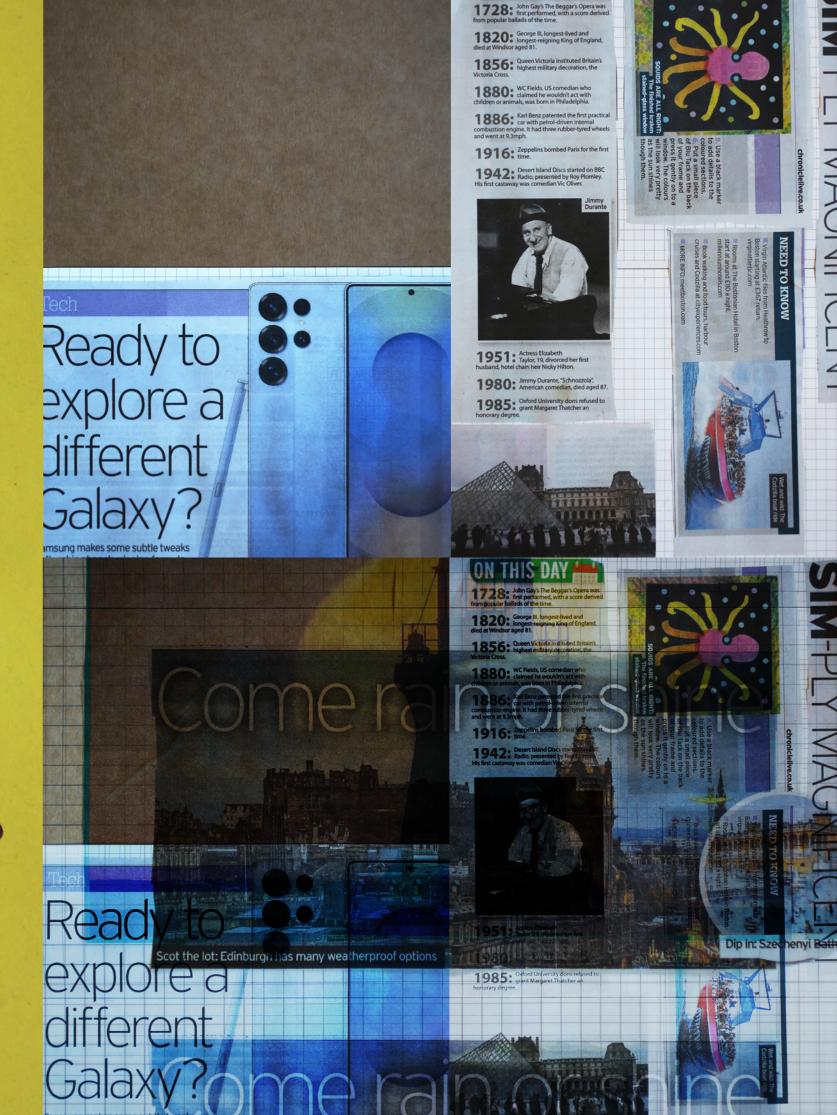




GET Well Soon



TAKE PART IN TEESDALE









Through arts and creative activity facilitated by a range of professional local artists, participants reported feeling more confident, resilient and equipped with ways to see things from different perspectives. Feedback demonstrated an increased sense of connection, increased social interaction and new friendships formed, and participants reported that they left the project feeling happier and healthier.



This publication is a joint collaboration between participants and artist Ronan Devlin. Participants were invited to reflect on the Take Part in Teesdale project, explore materials/words around them and reflect on their own creativity. Some found beauty in the surrounding landscapes and others in items and images from everyday life.



In a world with lots of digital noise and often hurried activity, this publication invites the viewer to take a moment, slow down and look around. Enjoy the art work created by participants in this publication and use the booklet as a prompt to become an active participant yourself – and learn to look differently at what's in the world around you.



Perhaps choose an object around you, explore it for 3 minutes from different angles or distances...What did you discover that you might not have seen at first glance? Could you draw, write about or photograph your observations for example?



What else might you discover if you approach your daily surroundings with curiosity? What unexpected, overlooked stories or opportunities might exist within the spaces you move through each day?

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