

Encore Productions Residency Round up July 2021

A change is as good as a rest they say, and it was a real change to be back down in Clan Na Gael Gaelic Football Club for a few weeks this month. As An Táin Arts Centre gave itself over to their well-established creative summer camp we caught some of the summer sunshine down by the pitches! But it wasn't all about the summer weather when we took part in Workshops with Leah, Anna and Fiona from Quintessence Theatre Company.

We worked on ensemble and movement – making the most of our bodies to tell the stories of our characters to the audience and using movement and space to create mood and atmosphere. While out on the pitches the crowd expects the athletes to have stretched, warmed up and worked on skills. What audiences may not realise is that the same kind of fitness and teamwork, concentration and coordination is required of a group of actors.

It was great fun to work with such skilled actors, but challenging too. Since then we have been trying to bring extra intensity to our rehearsals with our 'big match' only ten weeks away!

We are back up on the main stage for rehearsals now, bringing the elements of light and video, costume and sound together with the actors performances. 'Aesop' shall be performed at An Táin Arts Centre in the week of October the 10th 2021 with dates to be announced soon.

Hope to see you there!!

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