

# FORTNIGHT

## COMMENTS & REVIEWS

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“the adventures we had as part of the two-week experience will become lifetime memories... **the feeling of being part of something special.**”

- Bristol Culture

<https://bristolculture.wordpress.com/2011/05/15/review-fortnight-mayfest-bristol/>

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“**the beauty of Fortnight is the surprises that lie in wait**, and the opportunity to become part of a secret club of Coventrians, seeing the city in a new light as life continues around you.”

- Warwick Arts Centre

<https://www.warwickartscentre.co.uk/news/2014/03/get-the-low-down-on-fortnight/>

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“The Fortnight voice is always supportive and in your best interests. As such, it lends a sense of attachment.

Immersing yourself within the city by burrowing into it feels like an exercise in psychogeography: the idea [...] that our geographical experience has a profound psychological effect.”

- Hannah Sullivan, Total Theatre

<http://totaltheatre.org.uk/archive/features/immerse-yourself>

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## PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

“I loved slowing down, looking at things through duck-y eyes, the encouragement to ponder on things which I would normally never think about. Really felt like a new part of my brain and my senses were coming to life!”

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“I’ve loved every minute of it! I especially loved the start.”

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“Fortnight has been utterly magical. I’ve loved the tasks (although some have made me cry) and the texts and emails have been a little touch of beauty in a world which can seem a bit much sometimes. I can’t think of anything I didn’t like.”

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“You really hit upon something,.. You managed to tap into the childish vein that all of us still possess, some better hidden than others, and show us how to really look at life.”

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“Having places to go and explore every day is a really nice thing, as you get the text message whilst at work, and you get to look forward to going somewhere and not knowing what there was going to be.... you never get round to stuff like that normally!”

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“The feel of the whole experience was very thoughtful, generous and gave a different perspective to the world which I very much enjoyed.”

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“You made a real and positive difference to my life.”

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“I found the project fantastically inventive and inspiring.”

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“I loved being spoken to individually and having that ‘one to one’ relationship. It was a rare invitation to participate on an equal footing with the artists creating the event.”

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“A little gem of a project.”

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“It was mysterious, and reminded me of games I used to make up to play with friends when I was a child: a clue game which would lead to another clue. It also reminded me of hunting for eggs.”

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“It was exciting, especially the first day I just felt like I had a secret, like I knew something about our lives that others didn’t.”

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“What I liked best about Fortnite: the excitement, the joy it brought to every day life, feeling special, the suspense of not knowing what to expect or what would happen next, the quiet unexpected moments it facilitated, doing something for me in a day, not anyone else.”

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“People are astonishing. Thank you for reminding me of that.”

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“It was fantastic, genius, beautiful. I loved the attentiveness and the very personal relationship that we developed through text messages. It will be like losing a friend. The experience you given us is truly stunning. Priceless. Thank you.”

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“Thank you for the moments of reflection, pause, and wonder.”

“I love the concept of getting people to use different media to think about, engage and share information about the spaces they interact in”

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“It was intriguing, exciting and bizarre”

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“The ‘unknown’ nature of it made every text, email and letter eagerly anticipated”

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“You managed to tap into the childish vein that all of us still possess and show us how to really look at life”

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“A big thank you – I’m still marvelling at the amount of effort that went into this”

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“Fortnight has changed my life... I found myself paying more attention to the environment in which I live, whether it was taking a different route home from work or just noticing interesting buildings I had previously ignored... It made me feel like an individual amongst the mundane workings of day to day life.”

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“Fortnight put me in a room full of strangers twice and instead of retreating to the sidelines where it was safe, I embraced the warmth that came from everyone and gained so much in return”

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“Thankyou for everything Fortnight, this has been an amazing experience which I’ll never forget”

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“I bloody hope there’s a next time!”

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“It was a wonderful experience made better by this very odd relationship we shared... I didn’t know what to expect from the project but in a way it helped me reconnect with the city and meet other travellers”

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“I found it a lovely experience. Really enjoyed all the text and email and blog communications... it was nice that it was so organic as well”

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“The best bit was getting back after a long and possibly difficult day, or even after a night out on the tiles, to a beautiful poetic email that I could take a few moments of respite to sit back and read... Thank you for an enlightening, eye-opening and enigmatic experience”

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“much of the fun came from [the participants’] interpretation of the situation, the process in which they came through it, and the surprises that followed”

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“In a very hectic life Fortnite provided a reassuring confident and virtual guide. Thank you for the moments of reflection, pause and wonder.”

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“The performance stayed with me even when I had an experience I wasn’t necessarily keen on, it made me ask questions of myself, and of what my role was in the performance.”

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“I have stopped to take the time to look at who I am, and where I am... I have come away from Fortnite just feeling so hopeful”

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“I have spoken to many people tonight who don’t want Fortnight to end. I know I don’t. I’m not sure what I’m going to do on Monday...”

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“What I really enjoyed was the personal communication when I engaged with you guys”

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“Thank you for a very enjoyable couple of weeks of localised stimulation, active participation and moving reflection”

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“Something about seeing all these other people, and realising that they were all also having their own Fortnight, the same as mine but totally different. It was a hugely important moment”

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“I thought it was wonderful – simple and understated”

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“Overall, far beyond anything else I have ever encountered, this is a project where you get out what you put in”

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“For a piece that uses so much technology the beauty of Fortnight is exactly the same as a good magic trick”

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“the chance to talk to [some of the community around me] and to encourage me to do this more in the future was invaluable”

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“I loved the whole concept. Brilliant idea and congratulations to all who were involved... Thank you very much. A truly enjoyable, thought provoking and memorable experience.”

“I really loved the whole experience! Thanks for organising it!”

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“Fortnight made me realise how nice it was to meet friends during my lunchbreak”

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@otherwayworks: “If you live in Coventry you really must sign up for @Proto\_type’s #Fortnight”

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@ReConTheatre: “Is it possible to grieve for an arts event? It feels like it coming out of @Proto\_type’s Fortnight. If it ever comes to your home, do it!