



Scaplen's Community Players

November 2023 Newsletter



Who we are!

We are a group of local actors, story tellers and singers. Our performances of drama, storytelling and music are the perfect way to immerse yourself, as a performer or an audience member in local, historical theatre. We bring to life real stories from different eras and culture, giving audiences a unique experience. Would you like to join us to take part in our shared history and culture?



We have performed three plays to date. Our first play 'Mayhem at the Inn' was performed in 2019 in the downstairs kitchen of C14th Scaplen's Court Museum; true interactive theatre as the audience sat in amongst the performers.

In our second play a local woman and her husband Elizabeth and Thomas Hyde helped pass messages to William of Orange before he took the Crown of England.

Our last play Woodes Rogers, a boy from Poole, told of his extraordinary maritime exploits and how his life was linked to pirates such as Blackbeard and Calico Jack.

Where we are now.

We have an active, enthusiastic team of people involved and plan to continue and grow our membership under the name **Scaplen's Community Players**. We are members of Community Action Network and are a not-for-profit community group in the process of becoming a charitable organization. We are keen to bring local, historic drama to life. We have a Facebook page, **scaplenscommunityplayers** and a website **www.scaplenscommunityplayers.com**. There are three future plays in the planning. Our next play written by local playwright Katy Nutt will be performed at the beginning of June 2024. It is set against the backdrop of a war-torn country and explores the lives of ordinary people who lived in the local area in WW2, during a time of great upheaval and change. What impact did it have on their lives and what was the human cost of the conflict? We will retell real stories of people who lived here at that time.

Our main aim is to have fun doing the things we enjoy. As well as being involved in rehearsals and performances we also offer the opportunity take part in our activities. These include workshops, play readings, talks and demonstrations. If you are interested in what we do and would like to find out more please get in touch and we will get back to you. Please contact us by email at

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