



Co-produced by Desperate Men and Cirque Bijou  
<http://battleforthewinds.com/>

## A Unique Theatrical Event

Opening celebrations of the  
London 2012 Olympic and  
Paralympic Sailing events.  
(July 26th-28th).

Unforgettable outdoor performances in  
Weymouth and Portland

*“Will heroic Wind Gatherers succeed in  
their battle to unshackle the creative  
breezes and release the wind in time for  
the Olympic sailors to harness them?”*

**desperate men** CIRQUE **Bijou**  
STREET THEATRE, OUTDOOR EVENTS & COMMISSIONS



## Public and Schools Engagement

### Workshops May to July

Local children and families will build 100  
cardboard boats to help the ‘Wind Gatherers’  
from different regions of the South West.

Business and industry volunteers work  
alongside young people in schools to make  
functioning one metre long sail boats.

The boats come together to sail as a fleet in  
spectacular performances in Weymouth on the  
26th- 28th July. 2012

The programme links schools to business and  
celebrates local history, community and the  
future for young people.





## **My Future My Choice' workshop programme led by**

- A shipwright, famous for his work on historic replica boats
- Trainers specialising in delivering exciting experiences that link aspiration to education

## **The project is about young people**

- Understanding engineering as opportunity
- Using their hands
- Meeting and working with people from a wide range of different jobs
- Being part of a high profile event (Olympics)

## **Workshops - Dates**

- Available from 21<sup>st</sup> May – 25<sup>th</sup> July
- performances 26<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> July
- Fit school curriculum
- Annual event not just an Olympic event
- Run for families on weekend /half term in business settings

## **Educational goals**

- Raising aspirations – " I can construct and create, I am not just the audience"
- Meeting people with different jobs – "I never knew what went on in those buildings"
- Knowledge and pride in local skills and history – "its fun learning in my town"

## **Expressions of interest are requested**

Appropriate to all industry sectors and Key stage 2 and 3 schools.  
Rolls-Royce and DSSP support the project 's initial set up. Additional business support is needed to sponsor participating schools and provide industry volunteers .

## **Business sponsorship of school workshops**

£500 for 30 pupils

£800 for 60 pupils

Maximum of 6 volunteers per 30 pupils

Boats sail under sponsors flags

## **Fee to schools, if sponsored by a business**

£200 for 30 pupils

£500 for 60 pupils

## **Media Assets for Schools and Businesses**

Each workshop produces a short film for schools and business featuring pupils as presenters, and interviewers finding out about their business partners.

## **To Get Involved Contact**

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