



Moments in time

Whether you are looking at this archive in 2021, or 2121 - thank you for taking an interest in this special project funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund!

Moments in Time is an archive of creative work, gathered from young people in Derbyshire with experience of the care system, for a project that began as a document of one event of worldwide significance and ended up recording something quite different...

In July 2019, people all across the world celebrated the 50th anniversary of the first human landing on the Moon. People re-watched the famous TV broadcasts and shared their memories, whether they had been in Mission Control helping make it happen, or simply looking up at the Moon and imagining.

Derby Cathedral hosted artist Luke Jerram's magnificent, huge replica artwork, 'Museum of the Moon', which attracted thousands of people. Adverse Camber and a group of young people went there to talk to the Cathedral's visitors and record their memories of 1969, learning about oral history and astronomy and enjoying stories about the Moon and its myths and legends. These young people began creating their own stories and music, inspired by this oral heritage, to be stored in the Moon Stories Archive at the Derbyshire Record Office.

Then in January 2020, everyone began hearing about a Novel (new) Coronavirus, Covid-19. It started to spread from person-to-person across the world. By March 2020, people all over the world, including young people in Derbyshire, were in 'lockdown', asked to stay at home, to prevent the spread of the virus, to keep themselves and other people safe. This was a challenge to many aspects of our lives, including our ability to meet, connect and create together.

Even in these incredibly difficult circumstances, these care-experienced young people found ways to be creative. Working with their creative mentors, they made all the artwork, stories, music and memories you'll find in this archive, stored together with the Moon Landing memories. You are warmly invited to explore the archive yourself in the Derbyshire Record Office.

The Moments in Time Archive recognises the distinctiveness of these young people's voices and their experiences in 2020 as an important part of our collective culture and history. We recognise and celebrate the resilience and strength of these young people through an incredibly challenging time, a moment in time as significant as the 1969 Moon Landing, giving us new insights for the future.

Thanks

There are many people and organisations to thank for their fabulous energy maintained throughout the Moments in Time project, who have helped to create and collect all the artwork, stories, poems, songs and films you will find in this archive.

First of all, we would like to thank all the amazing young people who have used their strength and imagination to share their immense creativity with us, which can now be witnessed by people searching through the archive, and marking this significant moment in time, for the rest of time.

It is also through the drive and tenacity of the following people that this archive has come together under the ever-changing challenges of a global pandemic:

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Naomi Wilds & Jenny Babenko Adverse Camber productions 2021











