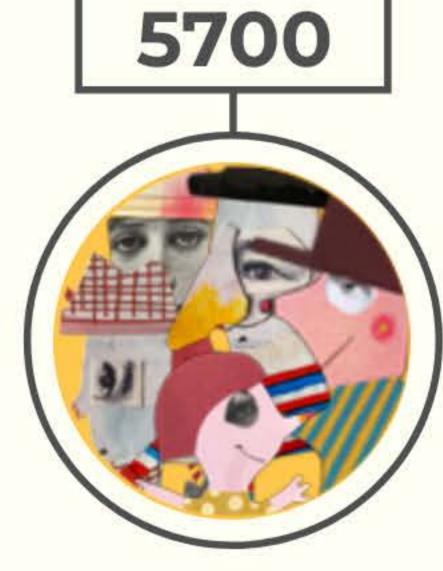
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What we've been up to since opening our doors three years ago...

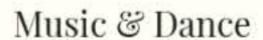
Since opening in 2017, we've welcomed 5,700 visitors through our doors.









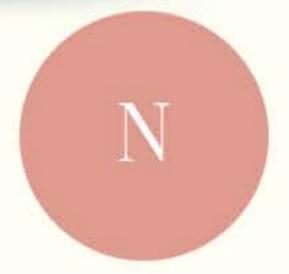




Theatre & Film



Classes & Workshops



Neighbourhood



Health & Wellbeing



Kids & Family

33 Kids & Family

"Poplar Union is an amazing place to work as an artist, the staff are supportive and encouraging and the space is beautiful and inspiring. I feel extremely lucky to have the chance to work with them."

**Chloe Stephens** 

Page One Theatre

"Poplar Union welcomes and respects artists in diverse practices and at any stage of their career - I feel grateful for the warmth and generosity they shared with me."

Cameron Cook

Actor and performer

"Excellent teacher who was very professional. She created a relaxed atmosphere whilst at the same time pitching the routines to match the abilities of the large group. The price for an hours session was also very affordable."

Yoga participant

**33** Theatre & Film

Music & Dance

"Poplar Union makes the imaginable possible!"

Liz Exell

Jazz Herstory

Health & Wellbeing

39 Neighbourhood

18 Exhibitions

"I think your art exhibitions are a great idea and I love seeing them change when I come to the cafe."

Review via Facebook

"...puts the heart into the community providing a diverse, light, bright and comfortable space for us all to meet up and enjoy a world of art, music, dance and culture."

**Henry Guest** 

Social Dancing Facilitator



### We've put on over 49 workshops and classes making up our creative learning and participation programme.

Art Class
participant
"The teacher is available for every student, kind and knowledgeable.
I learned a lot."

Zumba participant "A friendly group, good teacher and good value for money." Toddler Yoga participant "It's a really great class, and there is nothing else like it in the area. Things like this are a real lifeline to stay at home mums like me!"

#### **Artists in Residence**



**Hugh McCann You Are Here Poplar Hester Welch Food Project Sophie Wooley Augmented Emilia Stawicki Thank You and Goodnight** Sonny Nwachukwu Circles Dickson Mbi Enowate Nick Gilbert Mr Brightside Paula Varjack Cult of K\*nzo **Dan Simpson Avocado Economics** Cameron Cook It All **Box Theatre Camp Be Yourself** Zoo Co. Theatre Sirens **MOTH Physical Theatre Meet the Real Eastenders Moulded Theatre Company Swish CAJ COLLAB Interdisciplinary Sessions** Sangeeta Pillai Masala Monologues Peter Edwards Devotion to Movement **Grand Union Re: Generation Band** Sam Mumford and Jack Miguel Crow

#### Partners & Collaborators



































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£48,900

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#### **Festivals**







St Paul's Way Festival









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#### We have increased our social media following by:





We have built a marketing support network across 42 arts organisations

#### Blog



#### **Community Champions**



Our 12 Community
Champions support us
though word of mouth,
outreach, feedback and
social media support.

#### Student placements



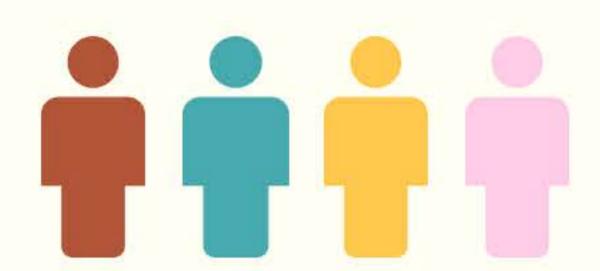
We have hosted 4 student placements working with the Theatre and Performance department at Goldsmiths, University of London.

#### Volunteers



136

Total hours volunteered



4 who have gone on to paid employment, utilising the skills they have developed as a volunteer at Poplar Union.



#### **School Outreach**

We've worked closely with 8 local schools, delivering assemblies, coffee mornings, private theatre performances and interactive workshops.

Testimonials from school performance of Morley College & Page One Theatre's 'Kunkush: The Refugee Cat'

"We had a fantastic discussion upon our return to school about the themes from the performance and the children expressed how 'cool' and 'magical' it was."

Yasmina Bibi
Teacher at Marner Primary School

"It was so lovely and I thought pitched so well for the age group. Year 3 listened well and really got it. Really glad I was able to come along and thank you Poplar Union for the invite."

Carol Doherty
Assistant Head at
Marner Primary School



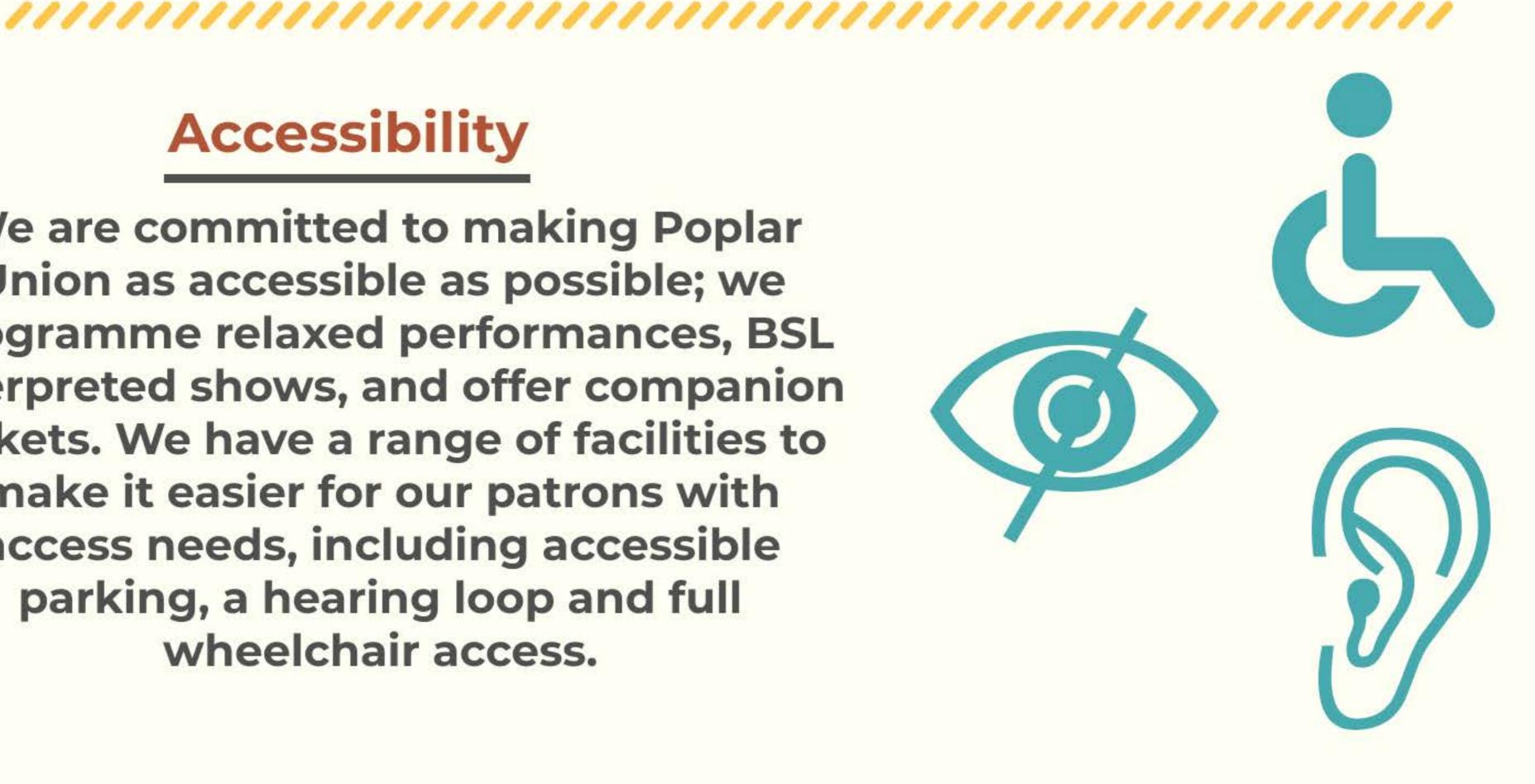
#### Membership

We launched our first membership in August 2019 to further engage the local community.

We will be launching more memberships schemes from 2020.

#### Accessibility

We are committed to making Poplar Union as accessible as possible; we programme relaxed performances, BSL interpreted shows, and offer companion tickets. We have a range of facilities to make it easier for our patrons with access needs, including accessible parking, a hearing loop and full wheelchair access.



# Funding















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