

## **ILLUMINATION no. 1, The Floating Tin Shed, Lower Voe**

The first illumination for Mirrie Dancers marks the start of a Festival of Light for the Shetland winter. The focus of this illumination is the only site in the project linked to Shetland's aquaculture industry as formerly it was used to grade mussels.

We would like to thank everyone who has supported the project to date, for without their enthusiasm and commitment, we would not have been able to make this long journey to realise our first illumination.

We have collected a lot of films that people from the area have contributed to the first illumination. The light installations are the result of a summer of 'Light Labs' involving members of the public from all over Shetland, from 3 years to over 80 years old, who have worked with artists Nayan Kulkarni and Roxane Permar to create 'colour scores' for the various sites, using video cameras and specialised software.

Roxane has also more recently worked with people from the local area to make films, including a group from Muckle Roe, pupils from P4 at Mossbank Primary and from P4, P5, P6 and P7 at Olnafirth Primary School . They've all made films that you can see translated into the dynamic colour light scores for this illumination.

The public were also involved in the selection of the sites that were finally chosen to be illuminated. In this area, which included Delting, Lunnasting, Whalsay and Nesting, we looked at fifty five sites before short-listing four and finally selecting the Floating Tin Shed. It was extremely difficult to make a short-list. We considered not only the aesthetics of each site, but also the meaning it has locally and for Shetland generally, as well as visibility. Practical design, safety and technical considerations also influenced our decision.

Lighting for the former mussel feeding shed will be visible every evening from sundown to 11.00pm until 10th November, when we will dismantle it and take the kit to Lochend in Northmavine.

This illumination is running at the same time as another Tin Shed on the hillside near the quarry on the road to Haroldswick. This will be installed on 23<sup>rd</sup> October and will run until 12<sup>th</sup> November, again, from sundown until 11.00pm every day.

## Programme of Film Contributions Illumination No. 1, The Floating Tin Shed, Lower Voe

<p><b>Mondays</b>            Adam            Bryan Peterson            Eilith            Ellie            Julie Dennison            Jimi Kerwin            Lewis            Louise Thomason            Oliver Wood</p>	<p><b>Fridays</b>            Edward            Elith            Georgina Bryant            Jordan            Jono Sandilands            Kylie            Lynsey            Oliver            Sophie</p>
<p><b>Tuesdays</b>            Jacqueline Dennison            Jimi Kerrwin            Jordan            Kirsti            Oliver            Peter Johnson            Rhys Forrester            Shannon S</p>	<p><b>Saturdays</b>            Adam            Craig David            Elijah            Helen            Jacqueline            John Irvine            Jimi Kerwin            Julie            Lauren</p>
<p><b>Wednesdays</b>            Carlos            Chloe            Helen            Jono Sandilands            Laynie            Matthew            Oliver            Shannon Downton</p>	<p><b>Sundays</b>            Carlos            Eilith            Ewan            Hilary Saetter            Jordan            Lara            Lois            Marie Gifford</p>
<p><b>Thursdays</b>            Anne Ashley-Smith            Carlos            Eilith            Hilary Saetter            Jimi Kerwin            Oliver            Sarah            Shannon Leslie</p>	

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