

Playworkers' Forum 2011



September 12th-13th 2011

Following the success of previous years, The Playworkers Forum is on the move yet again. This year to a new and exciting location in South Wales for it's fifth year - with Marc Armitage, Ben Tawil and many more Playwork trainers, educators and experienced playworkers. The theme for this years event recognises recent developments in play provision in Wales. This event will focus on the challenges and opportunities face to face playworkers and their managers are likely to face; and aims to address a range of training needs for all involved in delivering play opportunities in community settings with a particular focus on teams delivering outreach and peripetic play provision.



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The Playworkers' Forum is a training event for practising playworkers - volunteers, full or part time playworkers, after school club workers, trainers and playwork students. The forum is owned by you, Playworkers in Wales, and is a hands-on outdoor experience - participants are likely to get wet and muddy, are expected to work hard and to provide their own tent accommodation (a small number of beds are available this year for an additional £10 per person) - but most of all (we hope) participants will learn and have FUN!

Objectives

Playworkers who make the most of this event will:

- gain support in both challenges and opportunities for a playwork approach in communities
- Understand how to apply risk/benefit assessment in uncertain situations within play provision
- understand how and why to reflect on their working style and children's play to improve their practice
- know how to provide the playwork curriculum within their own setting
- gain greater confidence in advocating for play to a range of audiences
- have an opportunity to relate current playwork theory and practice to their own play settings
- have greater confidence in working with a range of tools, resources and loose parts to support children to create places where they can play
- gain ideas and support from colleagues from other settings in Wales

Practicalities

All main meals are provided with tea and coffee available throughout the event. Participants will need to bring a tent and sleeping bag as well as any between-meal snacks or refreshments. As this is an outdoor event we will not be able to offer simultaneous translation. There will be Welsh speaking facilitators but the event will be delivered in English.

This is a non-profit making event. We are sorry but once your booking has been confirmed we cannot accept cancellations, however we will do our best to help you transfer your booking to another delegate.

The cost of the event is £110, but there is an early bird cost of £90 for anyone who books on this event before 15th August 2011. This is a very popular event – so please book as early as possible. The closing date for all bookings is 1st September 2011. This event is being run by Chwarae Plant in partnership with NEW Play, Play Wales, and North West Wales Play Forum.

Booking Form

please photocopy for more than one person

Name

Job title

Organisation

Address

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County Postcode

Tel Mob

Email

Dietary/Access requirements

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Bed Requested Yes/No (Limited No. - Issued on first come first serve basis)

How to pay

Cheque enclosed (payable to Chwarae Plant)

Please send invoice to

(if different to contact details)

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Bookings can be made by phone, post or email.

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