

Wimborne Community Theatre

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‘The Quarter Jack’s Christmas Challenge’ brings Wimborne’s past to life

In December, Wimborne Community Theatre will perform a seasonal presentation of ‘The Quarter Jack’s Challenge’, at two of Wimborne’s most historic buildings: Allendale House and the Priest’s House Museum.

Two influential local people, Charles Castleman, former owner of Allendale House, and Hilda Coles, whose vision led to the founding of the Priest’s House Museum, will each host an evening at their respective homes, to which some of Wimborne’s most worthy residents over the last thousand years have been invited.

They will be challenged to compete for the title of ‘Wimborne Worthy of Worthies’. Contenders include St Cuthburga, founder of the Minster Church, and Lady Margaret Beaufort, mother of Henry VII, as well as some lesser but equally significant entrants. Wimborne residents are warmly invited to meet these notables and judge for themselves whose lives we hold in most esteem.

Allendale House Manager, Sarah Evans, said:

"I am thoroughly looking forward to welcoming WCT back to Allendale House. The performances in June at our Open Day were wonderful and drew a good crowd, so I am hoping that this seasonal twist to the Christmas performance of 'The Quarter Jack's Challenge' will allow even more people to experience the delights of community theatre."

Priest’s House Museum Curator, Emma Ayling, said:

"I am thrilled and delighted to host Wimborne Community Theatre which is an incredible community asset. We are looking forward to their performance and it is a wonderful way to start the festive season."

Allendale House:

Thursday December 13th - 7 pm

Priest’s House:

Friday, December 14th - 7 pm

Tickets:

**£6 (includes seasonal refreshments)
– Please book as space is limited**

To book for both venues:

Allendale House 01202 888992

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Background

Wimborne Community Theatre celebrates over twenty years making site-specific theatre in East Dorset.

WCT is a group of East Dorset residents from 12 – 86 years. It has created 19 productions since 1991, all in outdoor and non-theatre buildings.

*Last year over 70 local people of all ages were involved in the production *The Great Rinsing* at Wimborne Pump House. New members are welcome as we begin to plan a new project.*

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