

# LAND OF GREEN GINGER

## **ACT VI: CARDBOARD CITY**

(title pending)

by Davy and Kristin McGuire

20 October - 5 November

Springhead Pumping Station

Artists [Davy & Kristin McGuire](#) head an award winning creative studio that design unique visual experiences through art installations and theatrical projects. As well as creating bespoke projects for cultural institutions and brands, they produce and sell their own works through international galleries.

Davy and Kristin's hybrid art works are delicate, filigree fantasies built with fragile materials that are momentarily brought to life through digital projections and silent storytelling.

Davy and Kristin have been invited by Hull 2017 to produce an artwork for the [Land of Green Ginger](#) project, which takes place throughout the year in communities across the city.

*Cardboard City* will be a celebration of human ingenuity, survival and spirit.

Inside Springhead Pumping Station, a giant spectacular city made of laser-cut cardboard boxes will be created, housing a city full of tiny people. Each cardboard building will be unique, including skyscrapers, homes, shop fronts, bars and gardens.

Projection will be used to fill the city with miniature people and to breathe life into otherwise inanimate objects. These will include projection mapped vignettes placed through the city, as well as simpler projected footage of crowds and such. *Cardboard City* will be animated in many ways: lighting cardboard silhouettes behind windows, using domestic lights, LEDs and fairy lights, sound compositions and possibly smoke to create a city that feels populated and vibrant.

Audiences from across the city will be invited to visit *Cardboard City* from Friday 20 October until Sunday 5 November. The audience will enter Springhead Pumping Station and be immersed in a maze of cardboard buildings; peeking into windows to see tiny people going about their lives. They will see a number of specialist vignettes - a funfair; a power station; botanical gardens - and turning a corner they will come upon an animated city skyline.

This will be the fifth Act of Wanton Wonder in the Land of Green Ginger series, so we will have gathered an audience from across the city to come and visit *Cardboard City*.

Cardboard has been supplied by Garth West for the main building elements of Cardboard City. Davy and Kristin McGuire are planning on detailing the city using paper and were interested in beginning a conversation with G. F. Smith about supplying the paper for this.



*Prototype section (April 2017)*



*Sample building group (July 2017)*



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