

## **Discussing Arts and Culture in Oldham over chips**

Oldham Coliseum Theatre is launching new monthly meet ups for audiences, participants and all members of the local community to discuss arts and culture in Oldham and Greater Manchester, over the nation's favourite snack.

Open to anyone, whether you currently engage with the Coliseum or not, **Culture and Chips** is a space to discuss what you'd like to see and how the Coliseum can best serve the community in the future.

Each month the theatre will invite guests from Oldham and beyond to talk about their practice, connection to Oldham and vision for the future. Three questions will form the basis of each meet up and topics will be set by the attendees, with open space to talk more broadly.

When it is safe to hold meetings in person the Coliseum will provide chips for the meet ups to boost the relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. Whilst under covid-19 restrictions the meet ups will take place virtually over Zoom, attendees are encouraged to have chips for their own enjoyment.

The first **Culture and Chips** meet up at on Wednesday 16 December at 5pm. The meet up will take place virtually via Zoom. Tickets are free but must be booked via the Coliseum website.

- Ends ------

## Notes to Editor:

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## **Oldham Coliseum Theatre**

The Coliseum is a cultural and educational charity that works with over 150,000 individuals per year.

The Coliseum has a rich history in Greater Manchester dating back to 1885. It provides a wide variety of distinctive theatre performances and participatory activities for people from all communities in Oldham, Greater Manchester and beyond. It creates original productions each year which are presented at the Coliseum and on tour. Intrinsic to the town's on-going regeneration, the theatre works with its local communities and young people to develop creative programmes to facilitate learning, engagement and community cohesion.

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