

I am baba

I am baba is a beautiful new piece of theatre for babies aged 0-12 months.

October 20th, 23rd and 24th



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I am baba is an immersive musical journey filled with multisensory experiences for babies.

Babies aged 0-12 months are invited, along with one adult guest each, to sit and enjoy soft lighting, harmony singing, and gentle play with textures, shapes and reflections.

Shows in Ballyroan Library and Quarryvale Community Centre are free to attend, but booking is essential as places are limited.

I am baba's creative team includes Artistic Director Anna Newell, Composer David Goodall, Designer Jen Shepherd, Costume Designer Judy Kay, and three performing artists.

We are delighted to welcome **I am baba** to South Dublin County this October - The Civic Theatre Tallaght, Ballyroan Library, Rathfarham and Quarryvale Community Centre, Clondalkin. Please note the various booking arrangements.

Venue	Location	Date	Times	Duration	Note	Booking
Civic Theatre	Belgard Square East, Tallaght Dublin 24 D24 NWN7	Friday 20th October	10am, 11am & 12 noon	20mins Show	Arrive early to find parking	Tel Civic Theatre 01 4627477
Ballyroan Library	Orchardstown Ave Rathfarnham Dublin D14 VY33	Monday 23rd October	10am, 11am & 12 noon	20mins Show	Arrive early to find parking	Eventbrite or Sile Coleman, Ballyroan Library 01 4941900
Quarryvale Community Centre	Greenfort Gardens Quarryvale Dublin	Tuesday 24th October	10.30am, 11.30am & 12.30 noon	20mins Show	Arrive early to find parking	Katrina Bouchier katrina@ artscope.ie 087 1715043

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Anna Newell Artistic Director and Creator

Anna has been making theatre adventures since 1989. She introduced theatre for children with PMLD into Ireland, helped start **babytheatre** in South Africa and created the world's first **BabyDay**. Anna was finalist in the international Ellen Stewart Award for theatre makers whose work has had a major impact on children/young people. She received one of the inaugural Tonic Theatre Awards for 'game-changing women who are transforming theatre and the performing arts'. Previously Anna was Artistic Director with Replay Theatre Co, Artistic Director CETL(NI): The Centre for Excellence in the Creative and Performing Arts, Queens, and Associate Director, Dundee Rep. Directed **REASSEMBLED, SLIGHTLY ASKEW** (nominated for 3 awards, Dublin Tiger Fringe).

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Jen Shepherd Designer

Jen designed **TiNY**, a magical adventure for babies aged 0-12months in collaboration with Anna and David, and is delighted to be working with them again on **I am baba**. In 2015 Jen was project manager for the world's first **BabyDay** in Belfast and has been managing theatre productions and events around the world since 2001. She began her career as a stage manager and for the last eight years has been a freelance Production Manager, Designer and Producer based in Belfast, working with Tinderbox, the Lyric Theatre, Prime Cut, Kabosh, Ciaran Bagnall Design and Replay Theatre Company.

David Goodall Composer and Musical Director

David has been composing for over three decades, writing for all ages, in various contexts - theatre, chamber ensembles, choirs and films. He currently manages Soundmove Studios, where he has scored award-winning films and mixed features. David has worked extensively in various roles including musical director, lyricist, and sound designer, in professional, community and educational contexts. David was at the forefront of a new approach to music as therapy, working with groups and individuals with specific requirements and challenges. He is committed to mentoring young composers and musicians, and regularly lectures in universities and colleges. David and Anna have been collaborating on a wide range of work together for 26 years.

Judy Kay Costume Designer

Judy has worked in collaboration with Anna on **Babble**, **Lifeboat**, **Marianne Dreams** and **Citizen**, and with Anna and Jen on **TiNY**. She is delighted to be working with this team again on **I am baba**. Recent work has included costume design for **I'll Tell Me Ma** and **Crazy**, both at the MAC, Belfast and NI tour. She has worked as costume realisation for GBL's Panto at the Waterfront Hall, Belfast for the last four years and has been costume supervisor for Peter Corry's **The Music Box** (NI's biggest Christmas Show) for the past six years.

I am baba is commissioned under Exploring and Thinking: A Collaborative Framework for Early Childhood Arts in the Dublin region. Exploring and Thinking is an initiative generated in partnership by Fingal County Council, Dublin City Council, South Dublin County Council and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. It is funded under the Arts Council's Invitation to Collaboration which supports innovative and ambitious local authority collaborations. **I am baba** is presented by Anna Newell in association with the Civic Theatre, Tallaght.

