

# CHAYSESTAR ENTERTAINMENT GIVES YOUTHS IN ST PAULS AND EASTON A CREATIVE OUTLET DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

## THE IMPACT

At-risk youths were provided with socially distanced spoken word and creative writing workshops during the height of the Covid-19 pandemic to take them away from isolated or violent environments, thanks to Chaysestar Entertainment.

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## THE STORY

Young people in Bristol saw a stark change in their way of life through the Covid-19 pandemic, not just in terms of isolation, but also, for some, in the form of increasing violence. Believing that these children would benefit from being given a creative outlet, Naomi Davis from Chaysestar Entertainment decided to run socially distanced spoken word and creative writing workshops for youths aged 8-16 years old from the St Pauls and Easton communities. These sessions were supported by a Bristol Youth and Community Action grant of £300, which was allocated to Chaysestar by the High Sheriff. This made a great addition to the support that Chaysestar offers to local youths, which covers a wide range of activities, from singing and dance workshops to paid work experience opportunities.

*"Throughout the year we offer a range of opportunities and workshops to support growth and development in: Dance, Singing, Acting, Writing, Volunteering, Radio production, Stage and voice control, Lighting and sound management, Front & back Stage management, Artist management, Event management. We welcome any youth no matter age or ability to engage with us so we can support you to the next level."*

*– Naomi Davis, Chaysestar Entertainment*

*This match was made in a collaboration between the Avon and Somerset Police and the Bristol High Sheriff's Fund before the AskingBristol project had been founded. The story was an initial inspiration for the project, particularly in the handling of 'Things', and has been posted as an example of the kinds of matches that AskingBristol aims to facilitate.*



We are a youth talent development organisation based in Bristol UK. We support the next generation to excel within the creative arts industry in-front and behind of the stage.

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