

Dear Dear J Morrell and B Craven,

My name is Simon Brewis and I am the Manager/ Director of a stand alone Community Theatre Project that has been created in collaboration with the Leeds Church Institute and Leeds Parish Church.

Earlier this year a group twelve people from Leeds were led in a series of new writing workshops by professional playwright Dan Ingram Brown. Using historical accounts, bible stories, great works of literature and autobiography the team have made the life and times of King Herod the Great their anchoring point in a new play. Herod the Great is the King we remember for the 'Slaughter of the Innocents'; the gory part of the Christmas story we often like to forget."

On Thursday 28th – Saturday 30th of January, in time for the season of Epiphany, this new play will be performed in the epic Leeds Parish Church. We are now recruiting volunteers to be lead and supporting actors, backstage crew, light and sound operators, costume and set makers, publicists and anything else that you would enjoy bringing to this production.

Obviously there are many people who are part of the groups which make up the Leeds Civic Arts Guild who would value the opportunity to be able to get involved in the special production. I was hoping that you would be able to forward information on to the leaders of the groups in the Guild so that they can pass the information onto their members, or that you might be able to forward information to people directly?

Rehearsals for lead actors will be on Thursday evenings from October 6.30 – 9pm in Leeds City Centre. Some experience is preferred for lead actors and we may audition depending upon take up. Not everyone needs experience!

Anyone who would would like to be involved should send an email or call Simon on 07817649699 / simon@pointedarrow.co.uk . Please express your interest by Friday 25th September 09.

Christians, Atheists and people with other world views have been actively involved in this project so far, and we are encouraging anyone who is interested to get involved.

It would be great if you could help us and give people that are part of guild groups the opportunity to be involved. I have attached a 'call out for cast and crew' to this email which offers more information.

Thanks very much for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Faithfully,

Simon Brewis.