

# Tony's Hot Day

**A live story broadcast about the creativity of self-isolation**

**With illustrations and music**

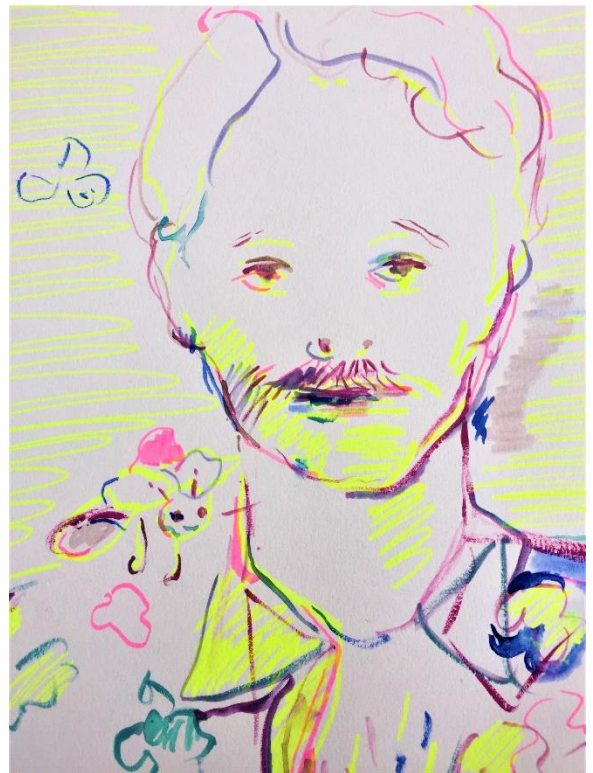
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The interactive story is co-illustrated by inclusive drama group Act Up Newham.

*The project marks an international collaboration between artists living in lockdown in Ireland, California and the United Kingdom. It is broadcast live on the 29<sup>th</sup> of April, 2pm (BST).*

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## About the project

*Tony's Hot Day* tells the story of a man who, after weeks in self-isolation, finds unusual ways to pass his time. Just before the Corona epidemic reached London, Tony had moved into a freshly built apartment near Canning Town in East London. During his lockdown experience, he manages to make creative and surprising new connections within his limited environment.

The project engages the viewer and participants through multiple creative outlets, from music to illustration, into Tony's perspective. The shared performance event shows that staying together can be achieved across countries and distancing by bringing the age-old tradition of oral storytelling into a digital setting. *Tony's Hot Day* is an inclusive, international and interactive exploration of the power of collective creativity in times of self-isolation.

*Florian J Seubert, April 2020*

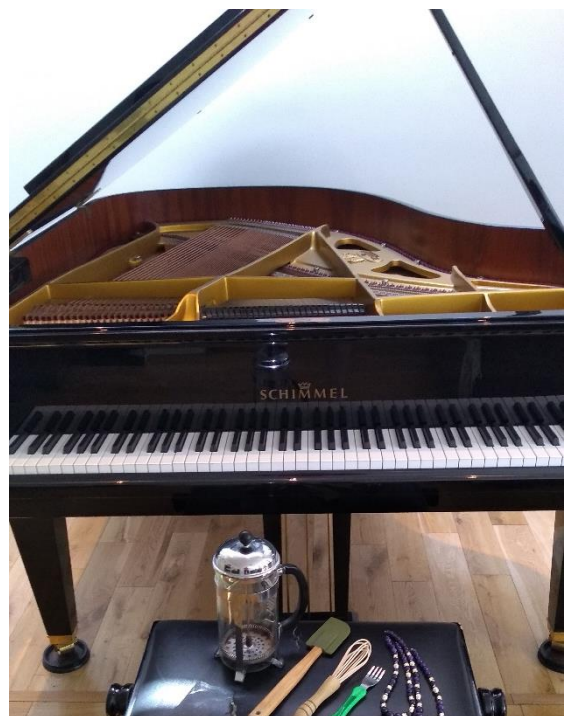


*Cooling device: Tony and his unusual friends. Illustration by Selma Hafizovic, LA, California.*



## Lockdown music

Creativity in lockdown turns kitchen utensils into musical instruments and unique sound devices. Our pianist Clidna composed the live score not only with a grand piano, situated in her living room in Ireland, but also with the help of forks, coffeemakers and beads. Here are some snapshots from her 'kitchen-sink-orchestra'. Please try at home!





## Get Creative with your fridge

*Tony's Hot Day* is part of the community arts festival #GetCreativeAtHome. Staying in unleashes the potential for new artistic discoveries: for example, performing with your fridge. The members of inclusive drama group Act Up! Newham created these amazing stills for our story project with their cameras and pens. Our performance culminates in an interactive fridge song where everybody showcases their favourite fridge items.

Show us your own fridge action. Post your images with **#TonysHotDay** **#GetCreativeAtHome** **#TheatreAgainstLoneliness** on Facebook and Instagram.

