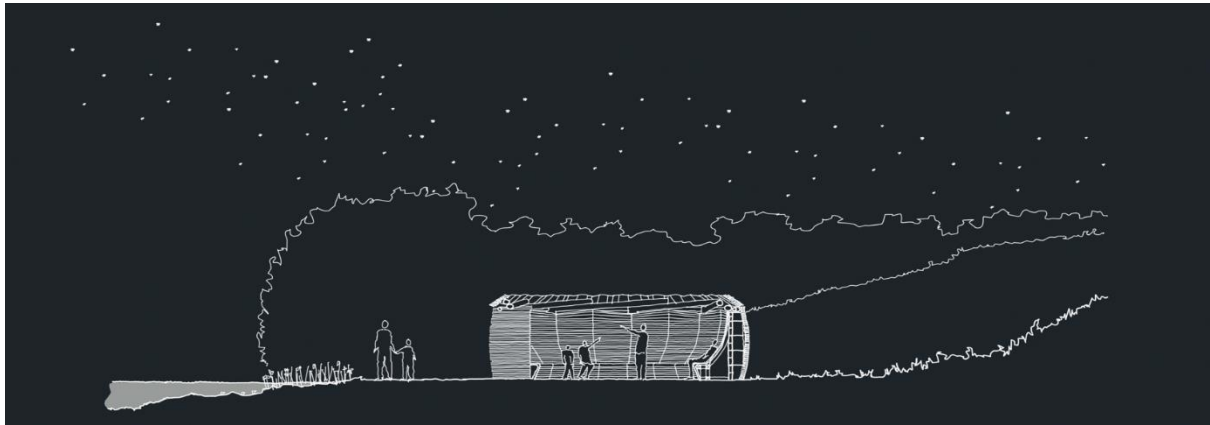


Be part of the green build of the new stargazing pavilion at Talkin Tarn



Gain knowledge, learn new skills, meet and work with people and have fun

The project

The proposal is to build a small stargazing pavilion on the south-eastern side of the tarn near the wood. The pavilion will be a place to gather, rest, reflect and look up.

The build

The pavilion is to be constructed in timber, echoing ancient 'roundhouse' construction. The main frame is to be constructed from timber poles, with hazel panels wrapping around the outside. All the materials used in the construction are to be sourced locally.

The team

The build is part of the North Pennines AONB Partnership's Fellfoot Forward Landscape Partnership Scheme. It will be delivered in partnership with Carlisle City Council and the team of designers - Pons Aelius - makers who are creatively leading the build at the tarn.



North Pennines AONB Partnership's Fellfoot Forward Landscape Partnership Scheme

The Fellfoot Forward Landscape Partnership Scheme (LPS), led by the North Pennines AONB Partnership and funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund, aims to conserve, enhance and champion this outstanding landscape which stretches from the Cumbrian fellside of the North Pennines AONB and UNESCO Global Geopark to the River Eden, and runs north from Melmerby to Hallbankgate. The North Pennines AONB Partnership is working in partnership with Eden Rivers Trust, Natural England, Historic England, RSPB, Carlisle City Council, Cumbria County Council, Eden District Council, Cumbria Action for Sustainability, The Farmer's Network, Cumbria Wildlife Trust, and Cumbria Biodiversity Data Centre. www.northpennines.org.uk/what_we_do/fellfoot-forward/



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Stars in the Tarn project ambitions



The star gazing pavilion will be co-constructed with volunteers like yourself. It will give people a quiet space to reflect day or night, be in the moment and deepen their connection with place. It will offer the opportunity for families, individuals, or groups to stop and linger and take time out. It may be that the structure could form a focus for school and small group activity as an 'outdoor classroom'. Volunteers will be key to the making of the woven hazel panels that will encase the green wood uprights and seating and also, we hope, the final celebrations and future activity at the site.

Key people you would be working with

Shannon Berry, a green woodworker who is exploring, learning and sharing green woodworking skills and craft. Shannon is passionate about encouraging people into the green woodworking community and supporting the skills, heritage and the makers that produce those products which allows us as consumers to make a sustainable choice that celebrates nature.

"As a maker I want to have fun, explore, learn and above all... create. It has taken me a long time to give myself permission to be creative and explore craft. I hope to inspire others to have a go and have fun while doing so."

www.shannonberrynature.co.uk/our-story



Workshop details and dates

The 3-day workshops will take place between **Monday 15 May - Sunday 11 June 2023** with four workshops within that period. You must be 18 years or over to take part.

We anticipate groups of sixteen people on each 3-day workshop and ask you to commit to attend every day as there will be a progression of knowledge and skills as the hazel panels needed for the build are made.

The workshops will be over long weekends. For those who wish to stay over, there is a camping area for tents and campervans, and the education cabin is available as a bunkhouse (you will need to bring a camp bed/mat and bedding). There is also plenty of local accommodation nearby. We will provide basic packed lunches and a hot meal in the evening. There are facilities for making hot drinks, a fridge, toilets, showers and fire pit on site.

All tools and equipment will be provided. Please check your glove size and mark on the form below. We ask you to wear clothing suitable for the work and the weather with sturdy footwear.

Glove Size		
UK	Palm Circumference	Palm Length
7	178mm	90mm
8	203mm	102mm
9	229mm	115mm
10	254mm	127mm
11	279mm	140mm
12	285mm	148mm

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You will learn how to make hazel panels inspired by traditional methods, using traditional coppicing tools. You will learn:

- Green woodworking skills and techniques transferable to more materials and products. Gain a specific understanding of how to work with the qualities of hazel wood.
- Gain knowledge of the design and build process for this project and input into refining the methodology of production for the large quota of panels.
- Understand the process from start to finish of each element of making panels - tying off, cleaving, weaving and returns.



Instruction on making and keeping yourself safe will be given at the start of each workshop and each day, and a first aider on hand.

All participants will be covered by Pons Aelius Public liability Insurance and must follow the instructions given and adhere to the risk assessment which will be provided.

We ask you to share with us any different needs or medical information we should be aware of in advance to help us make sure you can take part safely and comfortably.



We need to construct twenty-five panels for the façade of the round green wood structure in two sizes:
 Sixteen big panels - 2300mm x 1000mm
 Nine little panels - 2300mm x 500mm
 At each 3-day workshop we plan to make five big and three little panels.
 Day 1 - Set up weaving stations and learn techniques
 Day 2 - Work in teams to complete big panels, set up little panels for day 3
 Day 3 - Work in teams to complete little panels and consolidation of learning

At the fourth and final workshop all previous participants will be invited to return to finish the quota of panels required for the structure ahead of the topping out of the building to bring it all together on site.

Workshop dates

Friday 19 - Sunday 21 May
 Friday 26 - Sunday 28 May
 Friday 2 - Sunday 4 June
 Friday 9 - Sunday 11 June

The workshops will be from 10am to 4pm with a minimum of ten and maximum of sixteen participants.

Why do you want to join us?

Please complete the form below and tell us why you want to take part, and what difference the experience would make to you by providing a short paragraph (300 words max), a video, or voice memo (2 minutes max). Email this information by Monday 08 May 2023 to both:

Shannon Berry hello@shannonberrynature.co.uk (mobile 07773696493) and Rio Floreza rio@northpenninesaonb.org.uk (mobile 07825573220).

If you would like to send your video/voice memo by another means, please just ask.

Name:	
Address:	
Mobile:	
Email:	
Age:	
Why I wish to take part:	
Do you require accommodation at Talkin Tarn?	Tent pitch / Campervan space / Education cabin (circle as appropriate)
Glove size:	7 / 8 / 9 / 10 / 11 / 12 (please circle your size)
Any additional information/needs we should be aware of?	

We are looking forward to working with you and creating a new and original space at Talkin Tarn.



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