

Dragon

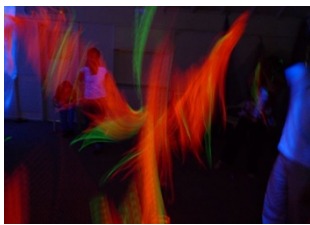
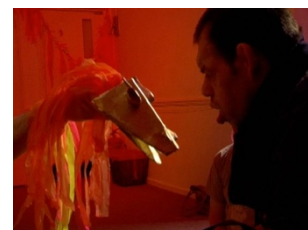
Environment: UV Dragon tail hung round walls + UV lights. Dragon sticks in circle, small dragon puppet, golden gongs/beaters, congas. Giant dragonhead + orange/red/yellow voiles in mouth. Lava bowl containing chocolate dragon eggs.



Dragon sticks Shhh! Don't wake the dragon. Find the sticks and shake the bells and ribbons, dancing round the space. Click together, play in pairs/trios, play floor, walls, bamboo poles, calling the dragon - where are you?

Baby Small puppet appears and greets each person - interactions - has lost mother -sad, encouraging caring and reassurance.

Gongs - introduce 1 by 1, calling the dragon. Add conga pulse to encourage rhythmic playing and dancing - explore space, playing each other's gong sounds as you go.



UV tail. Gong sounds wake dragon - tail begins to flick and dance. Lights change and ribbon tail on sticks swirls its UV colours round the space, reaching high and low, in and out, brushing fingers and toes and creating a visual spectacle.

Dragon Hear the SFX of dragon breathing. Lights go up in Low end. Dragon head appears. Approach and interact with dragon, talking to him, stroking his scaly skin, looking in his flashing eyes, crawling inside his mouth amongst coloured voiles and sharp white teeth. Playful, friendly. Overcome your fears and be brave.

Chill The dragon gives chocolate dragon eggs, then returns to sleep as you rest, curled up in warm coloured voiles



Evaluation Dragon sticks encouraged all kinds of movement around the bright, empty space and playful rhythms as they clicked together. The conga pulse changed the way the little gongs are often played, making beats spacious and in rhythm, encouraging movement and listening to different sounds. UV tail was a visually spectacular section, with all engaged, either animating, playing with ribbons or simply watching. The giant dragon head worked better than expected. Even the most timid overcame their anxieties and came forward to interact with him. Almost all went inside mouth, including wheelchair users and were proud of their own bravery. Chocolate eggs were a welcome reward!

