Salmon (Fishing hats)

Environment Silk sea river with blue voiles leading to salmon jump (bean bag) and waterfall + sfx. Silver salmon hung over salmon run, others loose and on fishing rods. Loose silver fish cut-outs for catching in nets. Silver sleigh bells. Fish puppet. Baskets for collecting fish. Bear character. Smokehouse for hanging fish. Logs and wood sounds - for chopping rhythms. Cedar incense - smoke from the fire, Fish shaped treats.



Salmon Hear the sound of a river and waterfall, see the rippling water, play with the fish as they leap up the salmon run, feel the different textures, catch them in nets, see and feel them wriggle and flipflop on fishing lines. Greet the fish puppet and see him swim. Gather the fish in baskets.



Bear Hear the bear roaring in the distance, he appears at the river and tries to catch the fish. He is hungry but they are too slippery and quick and escape his grasp. Make friends and share your catch with him. Feel his soft fur, stroke his nose. When he is full up and happy, he lumbers away.











Smoke House Carry your baskets to the smoke house and hang up your fish. More wood for the fire is required so chop wood, playing rhythms with the wooden instruments until you have enough. The fire is lit and the smell of burning cedar wood drifts around the space (incense sticks) as you relax and enjoy fishy treats.



Observations Catching the salmon is great fun. Nets made from hoops with net across enable participants to work in pairs and see their fish jump and wriggle. Fish pencil cases could be filled with different textures for people to explore. The bear character with its 'comedy, cartoon' type mask was greatly enjoyed and 'loved' by many. Wood chopping section engaged all participants in group activity. Cedar incense sticks were very calming and many were fascinated by the spirals of smoke.

