



EASY READ

UNFURL

A garden of very large inflatable moving robotic plants by Air Giants



Installation

Unfurl an installation. You can arrive and leave whenever the garden is open. You can spend as long as you like in the garden.

There are 19 plants, some big and some small. The smallest ones are about the size of an armchair. The biggest ones are taller than a double decker bus!



Interaction

The plants in the garden have sensors. This means they know where people in the garden are.

The plants might move when you get close to them. They do not move fast and they are safe to touch.



Sound and light

Most of the plants make sounds. The sound is a bit like music and there will not be any sudden loud noises or surprises.

The plants have fans which put air into them. The fans also make a noise. It sounds like whooshing wind.

All of the plants have lights inside them. It is easier to see the lights when it is dark. In the daytime the plants are white.



Layout

The garden is big. You can move around it in any way you like. There are no set paths.



The festival may be busy

Unfurl is an outdoor performance at a festival.

The festival may be busy and noisy. The festival will have event staff to help you if you need it and to keep things safe.



All showings of Unfurl are relaxed showings

You can:

- Wear headphones
- Talk to each other and make noises
- Come and go
- Move around and explore

Sometimes festivals will have dedicated relaxed performance slots for people who like quieter spaces. These will have limited audience numbers and will be less busy.



Themes

Unfurl is inspired by the beautiful designs found in nature. We looked at the clever ways that plants and animals move and thought about how it could make people feel.

The inflatable plants are also robots. This means that they use sensors and computers to understand what position they are in. The little computers inside them also control how they move.



Because they are made from fabric and not hard material they are called 'soft robots'.

We like thinking about how people and robots can interact with each other.



Looking after the plants

The plants like people very much. You are welcome to go up close to the plants. You are allowed to touch them.

Please be kind to them. Hugging them is good. They don't like people hitting them or sitting on them.

We hope you enjoy the show!

Credits

Unfurl is an Air Giants production supported by Without Walls and commissioned by Norfolk and Norwich Festival, Timber Festival and Greenwich and Docklands International Festival.



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