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# Cabaret vs Cancer announces a new Ambassador to celebrate 5th birthday

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Established in 2016, Cabaret vs Cancer celebrate their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday during June and July 2021.



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virtually. To celebrate our 5<sup>th</sup> birthday we have appointed a new Ambassador to help us achieve our ambitions, reach new fundraising targets and to develop our work supporting families and young people affected by

Cabaret vs Cancer raises money with cabaret and burlesque shows across the country, live events at

Wilton's Music Hall and Bethnal Green Working Men's Club, and through merchandise under licence with the David Bowie estate. Online auctions run throughout the year as well as pop up shops hosted

Cabaret vs Cancer has awarded over £186,000 in grants to help people affected by cancer; to St Joseph's Hospice (Hackney) end of life ward; supporting the Child Bereavement teams at St Joseph's Hospice (Hackney) and St John's Hospice (Camden); as well as donations to Cancer Research and Macmillan Cancer Support, specifically the grant giving fund. They are also working with BOOST

Artist and Author Jason Ford who today joined the Ambassador team, said

Innovations providing modern breast forms to women following a mastectomy.

"I am delighted and honoured to be joining the talented and wonderful Ambassadors for Cabaret vs Cancer. I look forward to helping them to continue the important work that they do supporting people and families affected by cancer."

Rose Thorne, Director of Cabaret vs Cancer said

"I am thrilled to welcome Jason to the team, he has supported us through The Lost Diaphragm over the last few years and I'm looking forward to seeing what we can do together. I am so proud that we are celebrating our 5<sup>th</sup> birthday having made such a positive difference to the lives of so many people and look forward to our next milestone."

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#### About Cabaret vs Cancer

CABARET VS CANCER raises money through world-class cabaret and burlesque. Quite simply, our aim is to support people and families affected by cancer.

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Since 2016 we have been working with child bereavement teams in local hospices, to ensure they have the tools and support they need to help children who are losing or have lost a close relative.

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Additionally, we work with various organisations to support those currently living with cancer; including BOOST who manufacture modern breast forms for post-mastectomy women.

#### About Jason Ford

Jason Ford (nee Woodson) is a London-based Anglo-Austral-Afro-American multimedia artist. This multicultural background, growing up in the US and Australia and his life in the UK, informs much of Ford's work. Working within the themes of appropriation and identity, masculinity and gender variance, the clash of societal norms and individual desires; he has exhibited his work in solo and group shows across the world as well as having been featured in Time Out, Huffington Post, the Advocate, OUT and Light Leaks.

His book #strangefruit was long listed for the Polari First Book Prize 2021.

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