

# Employment & Homelessness

Connection Crew: an introduction to a different kind of crewing company

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# Connection Crew

An introduction to a different  
kind of crewing company

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# We build events



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# PA & lighting



# Rigging, sets & stages



# Manual handlers & specialist drivers





# A brief history

- 2005: Connection at St Martins
- 2006: Enter Charlie Dorman
- 2008: Going alone – during a recession
- 2012: London 2012, Queen's Jubilee
- 2015: grown eight-fold, celebrate 10 years

# Homelessness in the UK

- 2016: 4134 people slept rough on any one night in England\*
- Double that of 2010
- How has this happened?

\*Source

# Breaking the cycle

- Barriers
- Work readiness
- Working together

A better transition into  
employment

Connection  
Crew Academy

# A better transition into employment



# Roles & responsibilities

- Connection Crew
- Candidate
- Charity

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Years later

157

Ex-homeless people employed

88,801

Hours of work completed

If we can do it,  
anyone can



# Thank you for listening

Any questions?