



# ‘What Were You Wearing?’ Exhibition

**The Advantage, Adam Smith Theatre, Kirkcaldy**

**29th October 2024 2.00-5.00pm & 30th October 2024 10.00am-3.00pm**

**Studio, Lochgelly Centre**

**24th February 2025 2.00-5.00pm & 25th February 2025 10.00am-3.00pm**

**FotoSpace, Rothes Halls, Glenrothes**

**9th June 2025 2.00-4.30pm & 10th June 2025 10.00am-3.00pm**

This exhibition displays types of clothing that were worn by survivors when they were sexually assaulted or abused. Testimonies which were gathered by the University of Arkansas are featured alongside the types of clothes they wore at the time. Clothing featured is not the actual clothing worn at the time of assault, but the kind of item (e.g. a pair of jeans and a t-shirt).

The exhibit was inspired by a poem by Dr. Mary Simmerling, titled "What I Was Wearing". Jen Brockman and Dr. Mary Wyandt-Hiebert created the exhibit which was first shown at the University of Arkansas in 2014. Since then, it has toured across the globe, and now it will be featured here in Fife. It is hoped that the exhibit will raise awareness of sexual assault and help to normalise conversations surrounding consent and sexual violence.

Fife Violence Against Women Partnership is a collaborative partnership and brings together groups ranging from NHS, Police Scotland, Education Services, Social Work Services, and the voluntary sector to name a few. This exhibition is specifically being supported by Fife Rape and Sexual Assault Centre (FRASAC), and OnFife.

This exhibition is a great way to reach not only students but the surrounding community to open up discussion about the damaging impact victim blaming has and how we aim to dismantle rape culture. We are proud to be a part of this movement through the exhibition.

There will be a safe space available for the entirety of the exhibition in a separate private room, easily accessible from the exhibition, which will be overseen by a member of Fife Rape and Sexual Assault Centre.

You are welcome to leave the exhibition at any time.

**\*CONTENT WARNING : rape, sexual assault and abuse, domestic abuse, child sexual assault\***