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The working mills may have all gone, but did you, your parents, relatives or anyone you know work in any of the textile mills in the lower Derwent Valley? (Anywhere between Masson Mill in Matlock Bath and the Silk Mill in Derby)

We would like to capture your memories of work, life and times, so that they are not lost for ever! They could be from the 1920s, 30s, 40s, or up until the late 80s, when the last mills in Belper closed. Or are you still/were you until recently working in the remaining textiles works, such as Courtauld's Aristoc factory or Stevenson's Dyeworks?



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Artists and young people want to come and listen to your stories, getting together in groups or meeting to chat with you individually. The memories you share could become part of the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site's website and the artsderbyshire website. We hope this will entice both young and old to read, listen and look at the sites to get a better understanding of what working life and times were like, from those who really know – those who did the work!

Give Sarah or Jane a ring at
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All artists or arts-workers will have experience of working with communities and individuals. They will all have had a recent CRB check. Both the artists and young people will have agreed to a code of conduct which includes respecting the privacy and confidentiality of those taking part.