



“Fungi are more closely related to animals than plants.”

In a workshop with mycologist Richard Wright we discovered a hidden world in our community garden. We explored lichens and rust on trees and found mycelium under logs.

Mycelium is a subterranean form of fungi, a mass of branching threads that operate beneath the surface. Most plants rely on a fungal network for their survival – Mycorrhiza is the name given to this mutually beneficial relationship. Scientists have named this secret underground network the ‘Wood Wide Web’.

‘Magnifying Mushrooms’ by the Boundary Way Project explored the importance and beauty of fungi through an innovative programme of creative workshops and work with artists, scientists and plant experts.



Cover image: Artwork by artist Clare Wassermann. Above: Mycologist Richard Wright on a Fungi Discovery Walk at Boundary Way, pictured with plot holder Max. Photograph by Moya Lloyd. Quote: from *Saving The Forgotten Kingdom. A Strategy for the Conservation of the UK's Fungi: 2008-2015.*

