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## Inspired in self-isolation: Chloe Boucher

With Covid-19 lockdowns worldwide and health authorities urging people to self-isolate and practice social distancing on a massive scale as part of an enormous effort to #FlattenTheCurve of this global pandemic ... we are reaching out to industry friends, colleagues, associates, partners, etc., and asking them to share their #StayAtHome and #QuarantineAndChill activities with us during this extraordinary time.

Chloe is a busy production electrician or an LX2 for musical tours. The UK / Irish tour of BKL Productions' The Sound of Music was her latest venture, which was cut short because of the pandemic. Chloe is a keen member of NRG (Next Robe Generation) and attends the get-togethers and socials whenever possible - even sometimes when on tour ... and the NRG event is in the same city ... like in Dublin at the beginning of the year.

Robe: Where are you right now?

Chloe: Currently I'm back home with my parents in South Hertfordshire, and giving myself a couple of weeks of forced downtime after a busy year.

Robe: What are you doing to fill the time whilst isolating / on lockdown?

Chloe: I'm practising my Avolites Ai skills with the time I've been given, focussing on the projection mapping aspects of it.

Robe: What's the most creative thing you're able to do in isolation?

Chloe: Both my parents are classed as essential workers so I'm at home helping out around the house. I've also done a bit of baking to keep the spirits up!

Robe: Are you looking after anyone else during the Covid-19 crisis?

Chloe: Yes, my step-mum works for the NHS and my Dad works for a plumbing company and so as I'm the only one without a job at the moment, I am keeping up morale at home by baking and cooking dinner for when they get back from exhausting days.

Robe: Has anyone inspired you since this started?

Chloe: Yes, since this all started my friends have been really inspirational, they've been getting jobs and keeping themselves healthy and most of all, occupied!

Robe: Favourite book / movie / Netflix series / viral video

Chloe: My favourite book is The Shining (Stephen King's 1977 novel) it's so much better than the film and way scarier!

My favourite film is What We Do In The Shadows (2014 New Zealand mockumentary horror comedy written and directed by Jemaine Clement and Taika Waititi) ... it always makes me laugh.

The Crown (historical drama web & TV series about the reign of Queen Elizabeth II) on Netflix is brilliant, and I think my favourite viral video is this [youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ](https://youtu.be/dQw4w9WgXcQ) (the very best of pop, so uplifting you'll be bouncing round the house trying the tumbles!!)

Robe: What's the first thing you'd like to do when we are through it?

Chloe: Once this is all over, I can't wait to get back into a theatre, see all my mates and have a proper catch-up!

Robe: Own question / answer / message of solidarity or something you'd like to say?

Chloe: I just want to say that I know this seems like forever, but it will pass eventually, and I'm sure our industry is going to spring back as soon as it can!

