

YOU ME BUM BUM TRAIN – no ordinary name, no ordinary night.

Is it a bird? Is it a rave? No, it's a trip in a wheel chair around a chaotic series of events staged by Morgan, Kate and Tim, and 40 of their favourite merrymaking friends. "Kate started it off in Brighton," says Morgan. "She did this night with lots of fun stuff happening, like a kids' party. The idea of making a ride that was really someone pushing you about in a wheelchair came from that, really. It was sort of a vehicle for our humour, we just wanted to do something to express ourselves." After meeting at art college, the posse began building the sets, printing the posters and making the tickets for their Bum Bum Train. At an average event they rope in their mates, sit you in an ex-NHS special and wheel you around on a weird journey through barber shops and game shows, acted out by friends, family and performers. "It's a unique atmosphere. Because you are individually pushed around, the performers are performing just for you," says Morgan. "By the end, everyone knows each other. There's no room for being self-conscious." *Hanna Hanra. Photography Jez Tozer*
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HOWIES is all about keeping things simple. The brainchild of David and Clare Hieatt, the company began life in 1995 as an ethical clothing brand pledging to use less resources and help the environment.

Contributing a percentage of their profits to grass-root environmental and social projects, Howies is not solely concerned with making money. Keen to encourage people to think more about the world we live in, the brand recently hosted the Little Big Voice Lectures at Forest farm in Cilgerran, in their business home and stomping ground Cardigan Bay, Wales. Erecting a tepee village, Howies invited 40 environmental enthusiasts from different walks of life to attend a series of lectures by experts top in the fields of PR, marketing, law, science and journalism. Designed to give the attendees the practical tools needed to bring media attention to their environmental cause, Howies gave the small guy a big voice. "It's about providing the tools needed to go away and make a difference," explains David. And thanks to brands such as Howies, that's becoming increasingly possible. *Holly Shackleton Photography Marius Hansen*
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