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## **Inspired in self-isolation: Elena Drevaliova**

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.

Elena is a lighting designer at the world-famous and renowned Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow, Russia.

Robe: Where are you right now?

Elena: At my suburban cottage in lockdown.

Robe: What are you doing to fill the time while isolating?

Elena: Despite these sad circumstances, I consider this situation as a unique opportunity to work on ongoing ideas and plans. I use every minute of this unexpected vacation! At the same time, I pray that this pandemic will be over as soon as possible. I'm monitoring the situation in Russia and around the world.

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

Elena: Too many! It depends on your creative needs! Self-educating and working on future projects and more unusual ideas.

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

Elena: Yes, my family – parents and children – and my friends.

Robe: Has anyone inspired you since this started?

Elena: Love! And the desire to be helpful and useful!

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

Elena: I love brilliant things that make my heart beat faster. Unfortunately, I don't read a lot, but I watch many premieres.

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

Elena: To say, "Thank you"!

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

Elena: That is a question with no answer! Why did this happen?

Take care of yourself and your loved ones!

