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Covid-19: Art installation at NHS trust represents beacon of hope and gratitude

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Frank Acquaah, a trauma and orthopaedic surgeon, stands in front of an art installation, Tunnel of Light, at Guy's and St Thomas's Hospital in south London.

The tunnel, created by the art group Squidsoup, produces the effect of a new sun in a cloudless sky and symbolises hope as the UK emerges from lockdown.

The creation, commissioned by the car company Hyundai, also pays glowing tribute to the tireless efforts of NHS staff during the pandemic. It was unveiled earlier this month to mark the trust's 100 000th covid vaccine jab.

Inside the 9 m long tunnel, which will be on display until 4 April, are 160 lightboxes mounted on a wall to create the illusion of sunbeams emerging through the clouds.