



## THE RADSTOCK ARTS PROJECT ARTISTS' PROPOSALS

### Creativity Works

Creativity Works is an award winning, socially engaged arts organisation based in Radstock, North East Somerset. We deliver creative projects to vulnerable communities in areas of health and wellbeing and community development. Our work is underpinned by our co|Create programme of training, support and development for artists working in this field. We are a National Portfolio Organisation of Arts Council England.

### The Radstock Arts Project

The Radstock Arts Project is a new initiative to develop a vibrant, impactful and sustainable creative programme for the communities of Radstock and the wider Somer Valley. It will build on our existing work that we deliver within B&NES. It is an integral part of our ambition to be a centre of excellence in arts and wellbeing, incorporating creative delivery, collaboration & partnerships, research and impact. We anticipate that this programme will be the catalyst for the creative health and wellbeing programme in our new community hub, The Brunel Shed, a former train shed in Radstock.

Our initial focus will be on mental health and wellbeing, **working with Children and Young People, as well as their families**. This focus will broaden, entirely dependent on the established needs of the specific communities, to include work with young and single parents, perinatal work, Fathers and intergenerational work.

### Activity

The creative activity that we are looking to commission must be **innovative and engaging**. It must also be adaptable to fit into our own creative methodology of Explore Develop Grow. This progression model encapsulates our socially engaged approach, listening and reacting to the needs of the community and participants, working 'alongside' them, whilst delivering high quality, exciting work with both

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artistic and social outcomes. Participants explore, develop and grow as creative people and as members of their community and family, and the activity must **INSPIRE and EMPOWER** them to do so.

We are very open to both established and new art forms and also keen to encourage collaborative practice and applications. The projects must be participatory focused, but this does not mean that creating artistic product cannot be part of the process undertaken.

### **Outcomes**

The 4 principle outcomes of the programme will be:

- The improvement of participants' mental health and wellbeing
- The successful engagement of hard to reach communities, and those with little access to the arts
- Increasing social value in the community
- Improvement in participants' creative and life skills

### **Proposal Application Procedure**

We are eager to hear a wide-range of proposals that can be adapted dependent on funding. Due to this, please do tell us your most innovative and engaging ideas, whether they are for a period of one day, a 12 week course, or a 6 month programme.

Please fill in an application form and email it to [oliver@creativityworks.org.uk](mailto:oliver@creativityworks.org.uk) by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

If you would like to talk about your proposal before sending it to us, please email Oliver to find a convenient time to do so (*please do not ring the office*).

We are happy to receive more than one proposal from artists or collaborators, however please ensure they are on separate application forms

*Please note that we are in the initial stage of creating this project and applying for funding and there is no guarantee that we will be able to produce the work of artists who send us their proposals*