



## Culture Show 2010

### Information Sheet for Creatives

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#### What is it?

An arts project, devised and co-ordinated by Bideford Bay Creatives (BBC)

#### Project aims

The aims of the project are to enable the arts to be more accessible to the public by showing artworks in unconventional, non-arts spaces in Bideford Town Centre. The project is also concerned with investment in the artist, giving an opportunity to show your work and enable it to be experienced in an everyday situation.

#### Who is it for?

It is for the Creative sector, local businesses and also the general public. The project is for everyone in the Bideford area, for visitors to the town from the County, Region and further afield.

#### What does it cost?

To apply to be part of the Culture Show you must be a member of Bideford Bay Creatives and your submission will not be accepted if you are not a member. For membership information please go to [www.bbcdevon.org/membership](http://www.bbcdevon.org/membership) (note to be a member you need to live in Bideford, Northam or an adjoining Parish). If you are selected you will be required to pay £5 towards administration and promotion of Culture Show.

#### This year's theme:

**'Local heritage and the natural environment':** The Bideford area has an incredible unique past which we want to celebrate through this year's Culture Show (for a taste of Bideford's History see: <http://www.bidefordtown.co.uk/roanoke-island-lost-colony-manteo.html> ) it is also the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of North Devon's AONB and as our natural environment is a great inspiration to many of the Creative people here we ought to celebrate that too.

Due to a tight timescale it is expected that most of the work will be already made, however site-specific work, made for or inspired by a specific venue or location will always be given priority. A variety of media is sought, including film and video/projections/DVD's, music, performance, sculpture, 3D, photography, painting, environmental works etc.

#### What is required of practitioners?

To be a part of Culture Show, send the following to [info@bbcdevon.org](mailto:info@bbcdevon.org) by **August 25<sup>th</sup>**:

1. Up to 6 images (jpgs, approx size 1mb) sound bites or video clips of recent work you wish to submit
2. write a short statement of why you wish to be involved in Culture Show
3. Max 250 words about your creative practice, to be displayed in the venue alongside your work. This could be an artist's statement and may include: information on ideas for/inspiration and influences on your work; the process of how your work is made or produced, materials used; a paragraph with background information about yourself. Please include at the end whether or not the work is for sale and your contact details for this purpose. Any sales will be administered by yourself and will be your responsibility
4. A max of 20 words to describe your creative practice, to give the public an idea of the kind of work they will see when they visit your venue. This will be used for promoting the project as a whole

## Selection process

Please be sure to send ALL materials requested. Selection of work and practitioners will be done by BBC committee members and representatives from the business sector. Sending in your submission materials does not guarantee that you will be selected to be a part of this project.

## If you are selected for Culture Show you will also be required to:

1. Attend a meeting where you will be required to sign a contract and receive further important details
2. Hang/place your own work in the venue in mid-September – there will be support from BBC members to help you with this
3. Take down your work on November 1<sup>st</sup> – time to be agreed with your venue

There will also be a launch event on the first Friday of October, details to follow.

## Insurance

It is not a requirement to hold a public liability policy or have your work insured to be part of this project, however please note that neither Bideford Bay Creatives nor the venue will take responsibility for insurance. This will ultimately be your responsibility.

## What about funding and publicity?

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the project and there is no direct or external funding. Monies from BBC membership fees will be used for printing basic flyers and posters to promote the project. The project will be publicised through printed flyers, posters in the town centre, the local media and the BBC website @ [www.bbcdevon.org](http://www.bbcdevon.org) it is also hoped that there will be a printed brochure this year but it can't be promised at this stage.

## Expected Venues for 2010 (more will be added to the website as they are confirmed)

- Café Crème, Mill St
- Cafecinos, Mill St
- The Library
- Heard Elliott Ltd – car showroom behind Morrison's, a wall of a house that can be projected onto and various roofs of buildings
- Lacey's bar, Bridge St
- Froot Loop, Mill St
- Glover, Stanbury and Co, Bridgeland St – bay window
- Britannia Building Society, The Quay
- Complete Computing – Old Town
- Café Life, The Quay
- The Laundrette, High St
- Empty shop windows in Mill St and High St
- Dr and Dentist waiting rooms
- Pannier Market – for performance arts, Tuesdays and Saturdays

## Any ideas of your own?

If you have a venue in mind that is not on the above list, i.e. somewhere where you know the owner or manager and you know they would like to take part, please contact us straight away for you and the venue to be included in the project and for someone from BBC Committee to visit. A venue check list and other venue information will need to be completed. It is very important to keep us involved as there is a very tight turn around for information to be co-ordinated and turned into promotional materials. If you have an idea that doesn't fit the theme don't worry, you won't be disqualified from Culture Show!

Busking in Mill St will be encouraged, especially on the first Friday of October, the 1<sup>st</sup>, other Saturdays and during half-term week.