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2016 theme: Bridge
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What is it?

An arts project, devised and co-ordinated by Bideford Bay Creatives (BBC) in partnership with local businesses and spaces in the town centre. This year's theme is 'Bridge' which can be read literally or conceptually

Project aims

The aims of the project are to enable the arts to be more accessible to the public by showing creative works in unconventional, non-arts spaces in Bideford Town Centre. It is also concerned with investment in the artist, giving an opportunity for creative practitioners of all art forms to show their work and enable it to be experienced in an everyday situation. Works on display, or to be discovered, both indoors and outdoors, can be quirky, offbeat, unexpected and surprising. It is much more than framed pieces hung on a wall, but the event can incorporate some work of that nature. It is cross-art form, transient, temporary, live arts (readings, short performances, talks, projections), music and pop up guerrilla art such as yarn bombing and street art.

Who is it for?

It is for the creative sector, local businesses and also the general public. The project is for everyone in Bideford, for visitors to the town from the county, region and further afield.

It is expected that the majority of creative work will be already made, rather than being site-specific as there is no budget to pay creatives to make something specifically, though some pieces could appear in and around venues temporarily during the life of the project and may be created as a result of a workshop.

The project is cross art form and a variety of media is sought, including film and video projections, music, short performance, sculpture/3D, photography, painting, street art, textural, environmental works and work that is intentionally temporary and transient.

To apply to be a part of Culture Show please send the following by email to Dave Green by April 24th 2016:

1. Up to 6 images (jpgs, approx size 1mb) or sound bites of recent work (also on CD) to be displayed
2. 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
3. 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
4. What, if anything, you can offer during August and September and dates available – for example a talk in a venue about your work; a workshop; a reading / music performance or demonstration to reflect your practice or convey further insight into your work for the public;
5. Are you providing temporary or transient work?
6. Confirmation that you are available to install your work at your host venue at the end of July
7. Let us know if you have a venue in mind so that we can liaise with them on your behalf
8. An administrative charge of £15 per submission, made payable by cheque to Bideford Bay Creatives or by bank transfer, details below:
Name Bideford Bay Creative, Sort Code: 09 92 99, Account no. 65366116, reference 'your name'.



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Please send all submission materials requested to:
Dave Green, Project Co-ordinator - preferably by email at info@bbcdevon.org
Or, to the following address, enclosing an SAE for return of any materials.

Green House, 9 Torridge St, Bideford, Devon EX39 4EF

Selection process

Please be sure to send ALL materials requested. Selection of work and practitioners will be done by BBC Committee members and a representative 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 the Culture Show you will also be required to:

1. Hang/place your own work in your venue in w/c July 25th date and time to be agreed with your venue
2. Agree alternative or temporary hanging / placing dates with the venue and Dave Green
3. Take down your work in early September, in agreement with your venue
4. Your creative work will need to be available to be shown throughout the month of August

There is budget to pay for a small number of public events – a half day workshop, a talk or a demonstration about your work and practice. This will ideally take place in/at the host venue so you can refer to your work as part of the event.

Please put the above dates in your diary now

There will also be a launch event at the beginning of August, date and venue to follow. This will be an opportunity to meet other creatives and town centre businesses and traders taking part.

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?

BBC has received funding from Bideford Town Council. The project will be publicised through a printed trail map, the local media, BBC website www.bbcdevon.org and BBC's Facebook page www.facebook.com/BBCDevon

Questions?

Please email Dave at info@bbcdevon.org or call 07530 508681