

# Artist Residencies in Schools



We are offering fully funded artists residencies during 2024-2025 in your school to help deliver your School Improvement Plan and to inspire pupils and teachers.

Do you want to empower pupils and teachers in your school to access a creative curriculum? Perhaps you have an idea for teaching history through dance, or embedding music making across your school, developing print making, or improving literacy through role play and storytelling.

During 2023-2024, schools across the district worked with artists to develop singing, sketching, printmaking, storytelling, digital music, graffiti art and narrative illustration. For 2024-2025, we are delighted to offer Newark and Sherwood district schools the opportunity to host an artist for longer residencies the whole school can benefit from.



**“An amazing experience and opportunity.”**

Teacher at Bilsthorpe Flying High Academy, Spring 2024.

**“The children and staff were very proud of their completed artwork and all learned new skills and techniques.”**

Teacher at Bleasby Primary School, Spring 2024.

Artists Residencies in Schools is part Open Doors, an exciting new project developing creative community connections through the life changing effects of art and culture.

Open Doors aims to inspire everyone across Newark and Sherwood through free creative activities between 2023 and 2026. Our programme will include:

- pop-up activities in all corners of our district;
- creative arts workshops and events;
- artists in schools and communities;
- professional development for creatives and teachers; and
- opportunities for young people including Arts Awards.

## Our Offer

This project is fully funded at no cost to participating schools. Our funding provides:



- your choice of artist, whose creative practice suits your curriculum development needs;
- longer term artist residencies to include 8 x artist engagement days with teachers and/or pupils across the chosen residency period, tailored to your requirements;
- supply cover to support collaborative planning;
- project planning support;
- art materials and resources for creative activities;
- a celebration and sharing event with families;
- help towards gaining Artsmark accreditation; and
- digital or material artworks for your school to keep.

## How to apply

To express an interest in hosting an artist in your school, email [denise.greany@nsdc.info](mailto:denise.greany@nsdc.info) by **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**.

Please include a brief description of:

- your preferred art form (if you have one);
- ways in which this partnership project can contribute to your school's development plan;
- ideas you might have for a legacy or outcome (such as a digital gallery, photo book, film, play etc; and
- your idea for a possible sharing event for families (either as part of a regular show, fayre, family assembly or performance, or a new event you haven't tried before).

Applications are welcome from schools who participated previously, as well as schools who have not participated before.

We particularly welcome applications from schools in the North and West of the Newark and Sherwood district.