

Creative Practitioners in Schools



Can you empower pupils and teachers to enjoy a creative curriculum?

We are seeking flexible, innovative creatives with a track record of high-impact work in schools to take up creative curriculum residencies in a range of art forms. Your practice will link with curriculum areas including Art, Design and Technology, English, History, Music, Drama and Dance, with a focus on Early Years, Primary, Secondary schools or SEND schools in Newark and Sherwood.

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.

If you have an exciting creative practice of any kind, a passion for sharing your skills with teachers and other creatives, and you have experience of working with teachers to embed creative practice in schools, we want to hear from you.



“I had an opportunity to sit down with the Senior Leadership Team.. we focused on HOW children learn. Having the time to do this afforded an opportunity to have a significant impact because I was able to tailor the CPD to specifically meet their needs.”

Storyteller, Nicky Rafferty on working with King Edwin Primary and Nursery School, Spring 2024.

Artists Residencies in Schools are part of 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 Offer



Each residency is 13 x days work in total to include:

- 8 x days of engagement work across the residency period (to be agreed with the individual school); and
- 4 x days of planning and reflection time.

Each school will plan closely with the artist to link work to the School's Improvement Plan. Each residency will conclude with a celebration event that shares the residency activities with families, and schools will keep a legacy of digital or material artworks after the residency.

Fees and budget

There is a budget of up to £4,200.00 (excluding VAT) per residency which covers planning, delivery, travel and accommodation. A further budget of up to £800.00 per residency is available for materials.

How to apply

Expressions of interest should be sent to denise.greany@nsdc.info by **Monday July 8th 2024**. Informal interviews of those artists not already included in our network will be held after this date. Please include:

- links to your portfolio or website;
- a brief CV outlining your experience of working in an educational setting;
- your preference for the type of school you would like work with;
- a description of the kinds of activities you could offer teachers and pupils;
- how your work might link with the curriculum and benefit teachers and pupils;
- how a residency could offer you professional development;
- your availability from 1st October 2024 – 31st March 2025 for whole-day or twilight sessions in school; and
- your proposed rate for session planning and delivery.

We welcome applications from those artists we have already added to our network! If you would like to continue working with us, please confirm your interest in this year's project and update us with your availability by Monday 8th July.

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We are sensitive to the different needs and circumstances of others and seek to empower everyone to fulfil their potential. Therefore, we welcome expressions of interest from people with diverse backgrounds and hope to increase representation within our teams and projects.

For more information or an informal chat please contact
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