

Preston Talks...

Value: £200

10 Opportunities

Image: [Screenshot of Fashion on the Ration](#)

Publication /Launch	Monday 29 June
Submission deadline	Wednesday 15 July
Feedback	Wednesday 22 July
Work submission	Friday 12 August

Project Brief for website

We're looking for 15- 20 minute video talks on topics linked to Preston and/or the Harris.

Subject

Ideally, talks will be on a topic that:

- Links to our collections
Examples:
 - A style of art or a craft technique that features in our collections
 - An artist with work in our collections
 - Items in our history collections
- Links to Preston's history
Examples:
 - A geographical area in Preston
 - A community in Preston
 - An historic event in Preston/An historic event that affected people in Preston
 - An artform/cultural activity that is alive and well in Preston or holds cultural significance, e.g:
 - It is special to a particular community in Preston
 - It is a heritage tradition

OR

- A topic that you think is culturally important right now that affects people in Preston.

Please note that there will be a separate video commission opportunity that looks at individual artists and their practice.

Your talk can be suitable for any (or a mixture of) the following age groups:

- *12 - 16 years*
- *16 years and over*

Your video

We want to make sure that your video looks and sounds its best, so please make sure that you [follow our guidance](#) when filming.

You can also use a variety of tools and techniques to enhance your talk.
For example:

- Include images or presentation slides
- Include film footage: you could film on location (if it is safe to do so) or create interesting short clips to illustrate your talk.
- Film a conversation with a friend or colleague
- Use sounds or music. Please make sure that you have permission to do this - we will ask for the name of the track/artist and proof of permission.

If needed, we will be able to support you with:

- General filming advice and feedback throughout the process
- Images/videos of the Harris and of items in the collections
- Subtitling

Example video

To give you an idea of what we are looking for, please take a look at this example *Fashion on the Ration* video which looks at wartime fashions:

<https://youtu.be/CkotBSJ5vBw>

What will happen to the video?

- The finished video will be hosted on [the Harris website](#), [the Harris YouTube channel](#) and [the Harris Facebook page](#).
- We will agree a Facebook Premiere date with you where you should be available to answer questions posted by viewers in the comments section for 20 minutes.

We will pay you a fee of £250. You must have a bank account and be able to provide a UTR (Unique Tax Reference) number.

How to apply

Applications should be no longer than 750 words and need to include:

- *Short outline of the talk*
- *Theme of the talk - how the story links with the suggested topics*

- *Target age group*
- *Examples of previous work, e.g. videos, links to your website, links to your social media, a relevant CV (if you have one) etc.*

You can send a written application OR send us a short video (10 mins max).

Please submit applications to theharris@preston.gov.uk, by no later than 12:00 noon Wednesday 15 July.

Please include ***Preston Talks commission*** in the subject line of the email.

We will let you know whether you have been successful by 5pm on Wednesday 22 July.