

Artist Call Out - Summer Family Fun Days 2021

Deadline for applications:

The brief: The Harris is offering 2 x opportunities for local creatives

We are looking for 1 x storyteller and 1 x artist/illustrator to run some drop-in activities for families at 2 Summer Family Fun Days.

The theme for both these linked events is What Does Family Mean to You?

Event dates & locations:

- **Saturday 14 August (12pm to 3pm) at Avenham Play Park and Pavilion Café**
- **Saturday 4 September (12pm to 3pm) in the Harris Museum, Art Gallery & Library**

Background:

- **The Harris** is hoping to do some consultation with local families and children on our plans for a new Family Library. We would like to explore artworks representing families in the Harris collections. And think about what we might collect in the future to represent family life today.
- Your drop-in workshops will provide a creative focus for families to enjoy on both days.

Harris staff and volunteers will chat informally to participants to carry out consultation before/after your activities.

- The question we would like to explore with families is: What Does Family Mean to You?
- This question might be explored through storytelling, art or craft activities, the production of a collaborative artwork, or an illustration of shared discussions.
- One of the key issues we want to explore is the diversity of family life – and how all families are different.
- This is also a chance to reflect on the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on family life over the last year.

What we're looking for:

- You will be a creative thinker who has experience of working with the public on community art projects.
- We want to actively support and collaborate with artists and communities from diverse backgrounds, so our programme is representative of the widest range of people.
- Both the storyteller and artist should have experience of working with families and children aged (approx.) from toddlers to 12 years. (You don't need to be CRB checked – as Harris staff will be present during the activities.)
- You will need to attend both days, from 12 to 3pm, plus set up/packing away time.
- The activity you deliver at each event should be complimentary – but different; so that families at Avenham Park are encouraged to attend the 2nd event at the Harris.
- The Harris can provide volunteers to support any planned activity.
- **You should plan how the sessions can be delivered safely in post-Covid environment.**

We can also provide basic materials for group work, e.g. children's scissors, glue, paint, paper etc. And we will set up trestle tables/chairs/sanitiser, as required.

Fee & delivery:

- The fee is **£250** for **each** opportunity. This will include planning and preparation, and delivery of both workshops on 14 August and 4 September. To confirm, we are looking for 2 creatives. Each creative will need to deliver 2 x sessions on 14 August and 4 September (both 12-3pm). In total each creative will get a fee of £250 each. To cover both workshops.
- We pay artists based on rates advised by the Artists' Union England and Arts Council England.

To apply:

Send a brief outline of your relevant experience (no more than 2 pages) of your relevant experience and your ideas for the workshop activities to:

Please note the deadline is Thursday 22 July by 9am. CLOSED

We'll let you know if successful early the next week.

Please state in application that you are applying for **Summer Family Fun Days** and which opportunity. There are two opportunities. Either **Summer Family Fun Days Artist Opportunity** or **Summer Family Fun Days Storyteller Opportunity**.