



the HARRIS

Harris Your Place Text Producer August – December 2022

Deadline for applications: Sunday 24th July 2022 by 5pm

The Brief

The Harris Museum, Art Gallery & Library in Preston is looking for a skilled and creative text producer to work with our exhibition content development team, community participants, and partners to create the text-based narrative public interpretation for our ambitious Harris Your Place project.

The Background

Since 1893, the Harris Museum, Art Gallery & Library (the Harris), Preston's city centre landmark, has welcomed and inspired visitors. The Harris is a Grade I listed Greek Revival building, the centrepiece of Preston's Market Square Conservation Area.

We began to deliver our project in May 2021. Alongside major repair and improvement works, we will enhance visitor facilities and transform gallery spaces throughout the building. Harris Your Place will create new activity-led spaces, embedding our core library function, and embedding new approaches to interpretation through co-produced displays

What we're looking for:

Our ambition is to engage community participants in the process of developing the story-level narrative, and final text for new spaces in the Harris, as a starting point for long term co-production practices. We are looking for a skilled Text Producer who will also work with our community partners to develop and create the story text for exhibits.

- You will be experienced at delivering workshops with staff teams and diverse communities to develop stories for narrative text.
- You will be able to provide training for community participants and Harris staff about approaches to writing public museum/gallery/library interpretive text for diverse audiences.
- You will be skilled at writing inclusive and accessible text for our audiences.
- You will be a great communicator, organiser and team player who will bring creative ideas to the text production process.

Delivery:

This is a freelance/consultancy opportunity.

The work will begin August 2022 and will need to be completed by 31 December 2022. A detailed timetable of work will be agreed on appointment to make sure we meet our project deadlines.

Fee: The fee for this work will be a maximum of £8000 ex VAT.

You must have a bank account and be able to provide a UTR (Unique Tax Reference) number. **This opportunity will be IR35 assessed.**

Expressing your interest:

Please submit the following to harrisadmin@preston.gov.uk by Sunday **24th July 2022 by 5pm**

A brief proposal including

- Examples of previous work (interpretive text samples written for a public audience);
- Relevant experience; business details; including 2 testimonies for similar work; CVs of you/your team who will deliver the work.
- A delivery plan including a timetable and approach to the work; number of days for each person; and day rates.

If you would like any further information about this opportunity or the project please contact: c.jackman@preston.gov.uk

