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Practitioner Call Out: Creative Writing / Drama



Paul Hamlyn Foundation and The Wallich Practitioner Call Out: Creative Writing / Drama

Summary

Are you a freelance Creative Writing/Drama Practitioner with experience of working with participants from vulnerable, socially excluded groups?

The Wallich is looking for three experienced and enthusiastic practitioners specialising in creative writing and/or drama to facilitate online workshops in three areas: Mid - North Wales, South West Wales and South East Wales between January to March 2022.

As part of an 'Explore and Test' project funded by the Paul Hamlyn Foundation, workshop content will be led by interested practitioners, and we're keen to explore any and all ideas. We will co-produce the workshops in collaboration with our service users, to make sure they are appealing and beneficial to everyone.

What are we offering?

We are asking the Creative Practitioner to deliver:

- 1 day delivery per week for 12 weeks
- An additional 4 days for learning/evaluation/exhibition

Total 16 days @ £168 = £2,688

Training, travel and materials budget will also be provided.



Our objectives: What do we want to achieve?

The Explore and Test project is called 'In the Margins' and our objectives are:

- Explore the potential of engagement with the arts as a way to replace chaotic habits with creative activities and mindsets.
- Explore creative workshops based in our residential projects to maximise participation and deepen engagement.
- Explore the importance of commissioning practitioners who specialise in working with vulnerable, socially excluded participants in achieving meaningful outcomes for participants.
- Adopt a person-centred approach, focussing on working to an individual's strengths to support removal of barriers.
- Change public perceptions of homelessness through positive engagements.

Creative/Drama Practitioner brief: what we're looking for

We'd like to engage a creative writing and/or drama practitioner in each of the three regions (Mid - North Wales, South East Wales and South West Wales) who has experience of working with vulnerable, socially excluded participants.

The candidates will design and deliver a programme of workshops centred around a creative writing and/or drama medium.

The specific workshop content and end performance/exhibition are open to ideas and will be developed with input from a launch committee made up of The Wallich service users and staff.

Workshops should be engaging and designed to introduce creative thinking, new skills, confidence and aspiration into participants' lifestyles.

We will also be exploring a robust evaluation framework throughout this project and will work with our successful creative writing and/or drama practitioners to embed this into the project.

We would like the workshop series to culminate in an exhibition or other public display of work aimed at showcasing the results of the workshops and changing public perceptions of homelessness by challenging stereotypes and encouraging better understanding of homeless people.

A Welsh speaking Creative Writing/Drama Practitioner is desirable.



Your proposal: what we want from you

If you would like to express interest in delivering a block of Creative Writing/Drama workshops in either Mid - North Wales, South West Wales or South East Wales, please send us:

1) Your proposal

- What participants will learn.
- What will be created during the workshops.
- How the workshops will transition from online to physical sessions over a 12-week period.

2) Your CV

3) A cover letter including a short outline of your past experience facilitating creative workshops for vulnerable and socially excluded people including any relevant examples and images of past work.

References must be available on request.

How to apply

Please submit your application form by Friday 3 December
to rosie.seager@thewallich.net

Shortlisting will take place week commencing 6 December

If you have any ideas you would like to discuss before submitting an expression of interest, please get in touch.

To get a sense of who we are, who we work with and what we do, please visit our website www.thewallich.com



