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Cultural Partnership Action Plan

Manchester Cultural Partnership Action Plan is an opportunity to reflect



the innovative and independent culture that is intrinsic to Manchester and identify the current city wide priorities affecting the cultural and creative sectors. It sets out key tasks, milestones and outcomes for all core and strategic objectives of the members of the Cultural Partnership. It is not intended to be a definitive picture of all activity in Manchester but to give a sense of the scope of the Partnership's work. Contact the Cultural Strategy Team to obtain a copy or download from the website at

City Council Appoints New Member for Arts & Leisure

Manchester City Council has a new Executive Member for Arts and Leisure. The role is currently filled by Cllr Mike Kane the Labour Councillor for Northenden. Cllr Amesbury becomes the Assistant Executive for Arts & Leisure. Cllr Kane takes over from Cllr Mark Hackett.

Farewell to Youth Arts Manager

Claire Cowell will be leaving the Cultural Strategy Team after 15 years with Manchester City Council on 31st July 2007. Claire, who has worked with thousands of young people over the years, was the instigator of the Manchester Youth Arts Network. Claire has helped develop the Youth Arts Mentoring Programme, the FAB scheme Funding Arts Buddies, and the Cultural Programme of the Greater Manchester Youth Games. Claire leaves to start her own Youth Arts Consultancy—YAPARAMMA. Claire will be greatly missed by the Cultural Strategy Team. To wish her well contact: claire.cowell@btinternet.com

Manchester Can-Do Exchange

The Can Do Exchange for Manchester is an online 'social market-place'. It enables individuals or groups to trade, share or swap resources and skills. On the website has lots of tools to put ideas into action and get any scale of project off the ground. Members can post as many RESOURCES and NEEDS as desired, **FREE** of charge. www.manchester.candoexchange.org

Plain English guide to the Charities Act

The Office of the Third Sector and Charity Commission have jointly produced a plain english guide to the Charities Act 2006, aimed primarily at charities with an income below £500,000. It explains the main



version of the guide will be updated as various provisions of the Act are commenced, or new guidance published.

[Charities Act 2006: what trustees need to know](#) (interactive)

[PDF 890KB, 46 pages]

provisions of the Act, and where you can go for further information or guidance on specific provisions. The web-

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Special points of interest:

- *Band on the Wall* gains £3.2 million from ACE & HLF grant plus £500K from Manchester City Council
- *Manchester Youth Arts Summer Brochure* out now! manchesteryoutharts.org
- *Current arts vacancies:* www.artspromotional.co.uk

'Reach' for your mobile phone

Phone inspired Funds

Once Step Beyond

NWDA Small Business Loans

Youth Volunteering

Five million pounds is available over three years from the Vodafone UK Foundation Reach programme to fund charities working in collaboration to help 16 to 25 year olds facing exclusion from society. Charities should apply by **17 August** for projects commencing in April 2008. For more information, visit: www.vodafoneukfoundation.org

NWDA SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

The North-west Regional Development Agency (NWDA) has announced over

£1m of funding to provide loans of £3,000 up to £30,000 to start up, established small businesses, and not for profit social enterprises throughout the Northwest which will lever in over £1m of private funding from the financial sector. The loans will be available to businesses in the region that have not been able to raise any or part of the

funding they need from the banking and financial services sector alone.

The small business loans will be managed and distributed by five partners across the Northwest. Bolton Business Ventures; Cumbria Asset Reinvestment Trust; Merseyside Special Investment Fund; The North West Community Loan Fund; and The Enterprise Fund.

www.nwda.co.uk/areas-of-work/business/business-finance-solutions/small-business-loans.aspx

Short Sharp Shots

A competition for Northwest 18-24 year olds. Clips of three minutes or under are needed, shot on mobiles to be screened on mobiles. The best 10 submissions will be awarded funding of £250 each, and a place on a mobile filmmaking boot camp to help them produce their next movie.

www.shortsharpshots.co.uk

One Step Beyond

This fund supports cross-border movement of artists and cultural workers to experience diversity and cross-cultural cooperation between all European countries, including those that are not currently members of the European Union. Through travel, the fund supports grantees to explore and reassess their own interests, gain inspiration, and stimulate innovative creative connections.

Who can apply?

-Artists-Cultural operators/activists-Cultural journalists-Cultural translators-Cultural researchers

Application guidelines:

www.eurocult.org/we-support-cultural-cooperation/programmes/mobility/apply-step-beyond

Youth volunteering Fund

V has announced funding for the new National Youth Volunteering Programme (NYVP), which aims to transform youth volunteering in England. More than £70 million will be available over three years for organisations to develop and deliver innovative volunteering opportunities, which are accessible and engaging to 16-25 year olds in all parts of the country.

Open to charities, social enterprises, company limited by guarantee with charitable aims and community groups.

Public/statutory sector organisations can only participate as members of a consortium bid.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

10 August 2007

www.wearev.com/grants/index.php

Flying Start

Last Call Exposures Film Fest

NCVO Negotiation Training

Salford Film Festival Call

TRAINING/OPPORTUNITIES

Introduction to Negotiation workshop Manchester, 23 July 2007

The Public Service Delivery Network is holding a skills-based workshop on negotiation, followed by a networking event. This workshop will provide delegates with little or no experience of negotiation with an introductory session to raise awareness of negotiation as a structured process. The free 2-hour workshop will include group activity and will explore: what negotiation means; an introduction to negotiating styles; and an introduction to negotiation as a structured process. The event will be held in both London and Manchester to cater for more of our members' needs.

For more information and

booking details for Manchester on 23 July go to: www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/psdnmanchester.

Call for Submissions: Salford Film Festival

Festival Salford Film Festival is seeking short films and features produced within the region, with a strong Salford connection (and failing that a Greater Manchester focus), for the Fourth Salford Film Festival, scheduled for the last week in November 2007.

Submissions should be sent on DVD or VHS to:

Steve Balshaw, Salford Film Festival,

The International Media Centre, Adelphi House, Salford Crescent, Salford, M3 6EN.

Contact: stevebalshaw@hotmail.co.uk.

Filmmakers should include contact phone number, email, postal address, film synopsis, length, and technical specifications (screening ratio, format, etc).

Last Call for Exposures Film Festival

THE deadline for entries into the 14th UK student film festival is looming! Do you think you have what it takes? Hosted and pioneered by Cornerhouse, Manchester for over a decade, exposures will once again be bringing audiences an impressive col-

lection of the very best student films from around the UK from Monday 3rd December to Thursday 6th Dec.

Submissions need to be in by Tuesday 31st July.

Any queries about the competitions and the festival, please email exposures@cornerhouse.org

Flying Start - Arts and Social Enterprise

Aspiring entrepreneurs with a flair for the arts are invited to apply for the chance to turn their business idea into a fully fledged social enterprise, through participating in the Flying Start Programme for Arts and Social Enterprises (in partnership with Northern Edge and Arts Council England).

You're eligible if you are trading in the North or plan to set up in the next 12 months, and are a graduate or will be by September 2007.

The one-year programme will select 40 of the country's hottest up-and-coming entrepreneurs from the arts. The programme will aid you in defining your business idea and learning the basics of setting up a social enterprise from securing funding to running marketing programmes. The programme starts with a **free** 3 day residential course, at University of Hull, 3rd - 5th September 2007, accommodation and food are provided. This then is supported by a series of half day follow-ups which will be held

in Manchester, Liverpool, Newcastle and York.

To download forms: www.northernedgecpe.org.uk/projects/index.php

To apply online: <http://www.flyingstart-ncge.com/arts>

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Send in your news items for
the next issue by 15th August to

culture@manchester.gov.uk

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Spiral Dance Workshop

A unique opportunity for site specific physical theatre & choreography in the heart of the Northern Quarter, Manchester

Date: Monday 6th August - Friday 10th August
10.00 am - 2.00 pm

Performance on Friday 13th August 2:00 pm
Location: Nexus Community Arts, Dale Street
Northern Quarter

Only 10 Places, To book a place contact Spiral Dance via email catherine@spiraldance.co.uk

Paper

An exciting group exhibition featuring the very best of makers who transform Paper into a variety of beautiful 3D objects and structures. Recycling is a huge part of the process for many of these makers – taking unwanted, used or out of date paper items and giving them a new lease of life. Alternatively a few cuts or folds can transform flat sheets into brand new gorgeous pieces. Features Jennifer Collier, Maggie Hollingworth, Richard Sweeney, Hannah Loble, Karin Muhlert, Ruth Martin & Audrey Douglas

Date: Friday 27 July – Saturday 29 September 2007
Preview Thursday 26 July 6-8pm – Free, all welcome
Location: Manchester Craft and Design Centre,
17 Oak Street Northern Quarter Manchester M4 5JD

The 24:7 Theatre Festival

Presenting a selection of the best newly-written plays – drama, storytelling and a dozen shades of comedy – from the North West region and a stone's throw beyond.

Come and share the excitement of première after première in a way you never thought possible. 105 performances will take place in four non-theatre venues over seven days: the Victoria Suite in the Midland Hotel and Pure in The Printworks, where three distinctive performance spaces surround their Island bar hub, a layout we trust you will find attractive, unusual and, most of all, convenient!

Date: 23-29 July
Location: Various
www.247theatrefestival.co.uk

Join in 2012 Roadshow

The 2012 Roadshow's theme for 2007 is 'Join In', encouraging sports participation, particularly amongst young people, and coaching, offering taster sessions in a range of traditional and exciting new sports for visitors to try with Professional sports advisors on hand more about sporting clubs and facilities in each location. The Manchester event is the **European Hockey Championships**

Date: Wednesday 22nd August 2007 –
Location: Belle Vue Regional Hockey Centre in Manchester

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Crowdmapping Project

This special event gives the public the chance to assist in a unique experiment: to map the behaviour of a Saturday morning shopping crowd in Manchester City Centre. Volunteers are eagerly invited to don white lab coats and gather vital information, to be processed overnight and presented as a public report and shareholders' meeting on the Sunday in the Urbis foyer as a one off moment of performance art.

Map the Crowd.

Date: 28th & 29th July

Location: Urbis

www.urbis.org.uk

s.austin@urbis.org.uk

D.percussion

D.percussion celebrates 10 years of pioneering Manchester's best new music. This year the festival will be extended to two days with 9 stages and 200 artists performing over the weekend. The main stage capacity will be increased by 3,500 and there will be an array of Pre:percussion art, multimedia and music events in and around the city, so look out for them.

Date: 4-5 August

Location: Castlefield

www.dpercussion.com

Emergency!

the greenroom is now open for submissions for Emergency. Proposals should be for pieces with some live presence, 20 minutes maximum for show-type work, technically simple and adaptable to quick turn-arounds. Intervention-based works in and around greenroom are also strongly encouraged.

Date: 17 August 2007

Info: <http://www.myspace.com/emergencymcr>

<http://www.greenroomarts.org/emergency>

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