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**Arts Education Bursary scheme  
Professional development brief for artists**

Led by SVA and supported by Create Gloucestershire

**Project aim**

This project is strand of work that is part of a larger countywide arts education programmed which aims to ensure the learning and expertise built up by GLOSS over the years is retained in the county's arts and education sector, including work with disabled children, BME communities and others facing exclusion.

The scheme is a pilot project (whose formal title is Creative Budget Holding Lead Professional) which in essence is a budget is set-aside for individual artists to choose how to fund their own professional development, with support provided by an experienced arts producer, director, manager or educator.

The scheme aims to broker links between the education sector and arts sector to sustain the arts education offer to young people when GLOSS is no longer a delivery partner.

**Background**

To date GLOSS Arts Education Agency has been responsible for arts education work across Gloucestershire, funded by Arts Council England and Gloucestershire County Council. On-going funding for GLOSS has now ceased, as a result of recent funding cuts in the county.

Create Gloucestershire is a new arts development organisation, led by county based arts organisations, whose aim is to enable joint and collective working in response to the withdrawal of local authority support and investment.

To manage the closure of GLOSS as positively as possible for artists and educators who currently use and value the service, Create Gloucestershire has been asked by Gloucestershire County Council and Arts Council England to deliver a programme of work in a "transition phase" that will last from November 2011 to May 2012. The overall aim is to ensure the learning and expertise built up by GLOSS over the years is retained in the county's arts and education sector, including work with disabled children, BME communities and others facing exclusion.

SVA has worked directly with practicing artists for the last 15 years and with ALIAS, a regional artists advisory service. Artists professional development is a core value to SVA and can be seen in all aspects of its artist led programme.

**Who can apply?**

Artists based in Gloucestershire wishing to receive support, advice and guidance to work in schools. We are interested in supporting artists at any stage in your career. If you have no previous experience in arts education this will not count against you. The project is designed to help support you on your next stage of professional development.

**How can I apply?**

- A completed application form.
- An up to date CV. If applicable please include details of any experience of arts educational work
- Images of work. This can be in the form of photographic prints or digital images on CD (max 10), DVD show reel (10 mins ), publications, reviews, or text based information.

**How much can I apply for?**

Between £50 -£1000.

The total budget is £4500 which will need to cover the individual artists professional development work and the support provided by an external mentor. The number of projects supported will depend on the scale of ambition of submitted projects.

**What can I apply for?**

A budget has been set-aside for individual artists to choose how to fund their own professional development, with support provided by an experienced arts producer, director, manager or educator.

The funding could cover costs for:

- Training
- Materials and/or equipment
- Mentoring
- Pilot workshops in schools

**Timescale**

Two deadline dates : Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Decisions by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March

Project start from Feb 14<sup>th</sup>

Projects completed by April 20<sup>th</sup>

Evaluation/ Seminar TBC May

Final report by May 30<sup>th</sup>

**Outcome**

Successful artists must be take part in a final evaluation seminar and write a brief report to enable shared learning within the Create Gloucestershire network.