

projectart works

Freelance Fundraiser 2019

Project Art Works is looking to recruit a freelance fundraiser to support the senior fundraising team to achieve our fundraising target for 2019-20. We have a broad portfolio of funding streams with long-term relationships with a range of different funders with a high success rate averaging at 65%.



About Project Art Works

Project Art Works is one of the UK's leading visual artist-led organisation working with people who have complex needs, their families, carers and the systems and services that support them. 'Complex needs' embraces severe learning disability and/or autism and/or communication impairments and/or behaviours described as challenging that result in the need for personalised 1:1 support in all areas of life.

Our in house programme:

The PROPEL creative studio programme is run from our 'sanctuary' space based in Hastings. We offer weekly studio sessions for personalised visual art activity for adults, young people and children. Individuals are offered flexibility and progression, their creative outputs are shared and celebrated through exhibitions, films and online. We have also established the PEER SUPPORT NETWORK to empower professional and family carers to proactively and confidently manage the practical and emotional aspects of caring for someone with complex needs. It reinforces 'whole family resilience', a positive means to prevent carer/supporter breakdown that often leads to negative consequences in the lives of people with complex needs and their families.

Our external programme:

We are now in the third year of the EXPLORERS project, an ambitious and holistic series of collaborations with seven visual arts organisations including Tate Liverpool, MK Gallery, Autograph ABP, Photoworks, Fabrica, DLWP and the Big Anxiety festival, Sydney and people with complex needs. Partners are working with neurodiverse communities, bringing them into the centre of curatorial programming as audiences, artists, makers and facilitators.

A new gallery space in the centre of Hastings planned for 2019 in partnership with Heart of Hastings/Community Land Trust is an unprecedented initiative for Project Art Works that will build on all our collaborations and EXPLORERS. It will provide a public space to showcase neurodiverse artists and programme rights based conversations, experimentation for artists, cultural organisations and communities. The new gallery will promote our extensive archive of work by neurodiverse artists and makers and build on philanthropic relationships with businesses through the Art On Loan programme.

Our work reflects the radical model of disability that in its simplest form moves the focus away from peoples' impairments towards removing the barriers to inclusion that certain individuals face in everyday life and that include:

- Environmental barriers (lack of accessible information)
- Systemic barriers (segregated provision)
- Attitudinal barriers (individuals being seen as expensive, non-contributing or needy).

Our work is informed by the way in which the political and economic climate impacts on the lives of those with complex needs. At the heart of our work is the reversal of society's cap-in-hand paradigm of disability, positioning instead those with complex needs as leaders.

Requirement

Project Art Works require an experienced fundraiser to help raise a target of £100,000 for core and project costs for the financial year 2019-20 as identified in our fundraising strategy.

You should have demonstrable experience in successfully researching, writing and achieving funding from various sources including (but not limited to):

- trusts and foundations
- public sector including local authorities
- charitable giving
- business sector

You will work directly with the senior fundraising team that includes the Artist Director & CEO, Creative Director, Head Strategy & Development and Head Finance & Operations. You will support writing applications to funders identified in our fundraising strategy and research new sources of appropriate funding. You will need to be self-motivated and an effective freelance fundraiser.

This new freelance role would suit an experienced fundraiser who wants to work flexibly and is genuinely excited about the opportunity to support one of the UK's leading visual artist-led organisations working with people who have complex needs, their families, carers and the systems and services that support them.

Deliverables

- A range of applications of various sizes made on behalf of Project Art Works in the period April-June 2019
- Fee £3,000 inclusive of all expenses. There is no additional contribution for travel or other expenses. We anticipate this will be up to 15 days work between April-June 2019
- Potential for an additional 15 days from July-September 2019 and beyond.
- Support the fundraising team to delivery on the fundraising strategy
- Support new funding research and the development of new major funding applications

Please send

1. a covering letter that illustrates your knowledge of:
 - Project Art Works ethos and work
 - the arts and the social sector
 - the social context affecting young people, adults, their families and/or those who support them
2. Your CV that clearly illustrates your experience and success in achieving fundraising targets in a range of small and large scale projects.
3. A completed monitoring form.

Please send to: Lisa Finch, Head Strategy & Development lisa@projectartworks.org

Deadline for applications: **9am Monday 18 February 2019.**

Interviews to be held at Project Art Works on: Monday 4 March 2019

Useful links

Propel <https://projectartworks.org/projects/propel-studio-sessions-2/>

Art Breaks <https://projectartworks.org/projects/art-breaks-6/>

Peer Support Network <https://projectartworks.org/projects/peer-support-network-3/>

EXPLORERS project <http://www.explorersproject.org>