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Arts Award Discover at Home – brief for creative challenges

Introduction

We are seeking 5 Devon-based artists, from a range of artforms, to help us deliver [Arts Award \(Discover\)](#) for children across Devon and Torbay. We plan to deliver Arts Award Discover online via a page on our website. Arts Award Discover, the first level of Arts Award, is designed to get children involved in and excited about arts and culture and celebrate their creative achievements. [Create Gloucestershire](#) have created a webpage similar to the kind of thing we are trying to achieve.

Through this project, families will be able to access a range of arts challenges and download all the materials they will need to complete Arts Award Discover at home. It is aimed at children aged 11 and under (or anyone under 25 with additional needs).

This brief sets out the requirements for the range of arts challenges needed to create a webpage that will encourage children to:

- take part in arts activities
- find out more about an artist or arts organisation
- collect evidence of what they have done
- share their arts discoveries

It is also an opportunity for local artists to link to their own websites and showcase their work to a wider audience

Background

[Libraries Unlimited](#) is a staff and community owned charity. Our services include 54 public libraries and 4 mobile libraries in communities across [Devon](#) and [Torbay](#); [FabLab Devon](#) and our [Business and IP Centre](#). We believe in the unlimited potential of library services to make a positive difference to people's lives and communities through a shared love of reading, inspiring spaces and a wide range of high-quality information, resources, support and events.

[Evolve](#) is an imaginative programme of events and artworks within Devon's libraries, delivered by us, in partnership with artists and communities and funded by Arts Council England.

Your library card is a key that unlocks a world of opportunities, knowledge, imagination and experiences, and a wealth of people to help you navigate it. Explore the latest offering within your local library, and discover a world of technology, adventure, storytelling and creativity.

Evolve brings to life your much-loved stories, historical tales and events and some of our favourite literature through animation, digital screenings, touch-activated technology, virtual reality and integrated artworks.

During Covid-19 recovery, it feels important to deliver activity that will engage families creatively while they are at home and contribute towards narrowing the education attainment gap. Our Discover at Home project will offer:



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- creative activities and easy to follow guidance for parents & carers to support their children. It's a great option for parents & carers who may not be arts specialists themselves or are looking for something different to keep children engaged and entertained.
- A simple way for children to achieve recognised accreditation and a certificate
- A flexible approach that can be adapted to include children of all abilities
- An activity we can provide in partnership with schools

Project Targets

The key targets for this project are:

- To enable 100+ children in Devon and Torbay to achieve Arts Award (Discover)
- To offer local primary schools an easy way to enable their students to achieve Arts Award

Deliverables

1. A simple arts activity that children and families can easily undertake at home. Any resources required to complete the activity must be easily accessible and/or affordable for families of all incomes.
2. The activity must be presented in a format that can be accessed online. This could be a short high-quality video and/or a downloadable, engagingly presented set of instructions. It is acceptable for you to host the activity on your own website/YouTube channel, if appropriate, and we will link to it from our page.
3. Examples of other recommended artists/websites that will enable children to explore your artform further

Budget

We can pay artists up to £300 + VAT, if all the above deliverables are met, for new activities created specifically for this project. If you already have an Arts Award (Discover) activity on your website that you would be willing for us to share through our website, we are open to negotiating a small fee.

Application process:

To apply please submit links to your work and a brief outline of idea(s) - no longer than one side of A4

Timetable

Deadlines:

- Ideas to be received by 5pm Monday 11th January 2021
- Notification of appointment by Tuesday 19th January 2021
- Activities delivered by Monday 15th February 2021

Tenders and questions should be sent to:

evolve@librariesunlimited.org.uk