

# **ELMLEY SMALL GRANTS ARTS FUND**

## **Events and Activities Grant Guidelines**

The Elmley Small Grants Arts Fund is a scheme designed to open up new opportunities to create new work, reach new audiences and enable people from all walks of life to take part in arts and cultural activities. The Fund is intended to support small, local projects. Although you can apply for up to £1,000, it is anticipated that most grants will be less than this.

### **To be eligible for a grant from the Fund, your project must:**

- Take place within the Counties of Herefordshire or Worcestershire
- Involve professional artists in its creation or development
- Have a total cost of no more than £10,000

You can apply for the total cost of your project, up to the maximum £1,000. However, we prefer to support projects which have also raised funds from other sources, such as ticket sales, sponsorship or other grants.

### **In addition, priority will be given to projects which address one or more of the following:**

- Demonstrate artistic vision and imagination
- Happen in areas where there is little or no existing arts activity
- Encourage and develop participation in arts activities
- Encourage new audiences to experience high quality arts activities
- Are locally generated and controlled
- Enable the involvement of people who might otherwise be prevented or deterred from joining

### **Please note that we will not fund:**

- Applications from schools or other educational organisations; Local Authorities or other statutory bodies
- Activities exclusively for school children or college students in school/college time
- Applications from individuals
- Projects with a total cost of over £10,000
- Capital grants (you may be eligible to apply for our Arts Equipment grant)
- Requests to pay off loans or deficits
- Projects which have already started or taken place
- Events intended to raise funds for non-arts causes

The information you need to apply to the Fund is given on the application form.

For information on other sources of funding and advice on running your group, visit the website of the Voluntary Arts Network at [www.voluntaryarts.org](http://www.voluntaryarts.org)

Please note that we expect to receive more applications than we have funds to support. Even if an application fits the Fund's priorities, it may not be possible to make a grant. An independent panel will meet quarterly to consider all eligible applications and to decide which will be supported.

**Please return completed application forms to  
Elmley Small Grants Arts Fund Administrator  
Community First  
Malvern View, Willow End Park  
Blackmore Park Road, Malvern  
Worcestershire WR13 6NN**