

Creative Writer Artist Brief for Thorntree Roses Bloom

Tees Valley Arts require a Creative Writer to work on our Thorntree Roses Bloom project, funded by The People's Health Trust through their 'Health Improve' fund.

Artist Role

Alongside the TVA Project Manager, you will work at Thorntree Hub to design and lead a Creative Writing activity with women from the Thorntree Roses group, on a weekly basis.

The Aims & Key Objectives of the project are as follows:

- For you (the visiting artist) to work with groups of up to 15 women living on and around the Thorntree Estate.
- For attendees to produce pieces of creative writing, based on their experiences of having accessed cultural activity in the Tees Valley and their thoughts about the future of Culture in the Tees Valley.
- To support the women in achieving their full creative potential through positive engagement, and the
 development of artistic and creative skills, as well as creating a supportive community, and tell their story
 through their writing.

We hope the women will also develop:

- Confidence and self-esteem
- Communication skills, team-work and leadership
- Enjoyment and cultural engagement/ entitlement
- Transferable skills
- The building of a community within the estate
- Improved health and wellbeing, particularly mental health
- Positive ways of passing the time

Your Role

- To devise and deliver creative activity, which is accessible to all
- Positively encourage women attending the group
- Discuss attendees' ideas and use their experiences to inform work
- Engage in discussions about their lives and community
- To actively encourage women to be independent in their creativity
- Work with the project officer towards an event where work can be displayed
- To assist in monitoring and evaluating the project throughout to be discussed with the project manager, and write a blog post about your experience
- Work alongside and liaise with TVA Projects Manager
- To adhere to health and safety requirements and policies and procedures of Tees Valley Arts, all available on our website



Time Scales (Sessions are on a Tuesday)

Workshop No.	Date	Morning 9.00am – 12pm
I	20 th Feb 2018	Workshop
2	27 th Feb 2018	Workshop
3	6 th Mar 2018	Workshop
4	13 th Mar 2018	Workshop
5	20 th Mar 2018	Workshop

20 th Apr 2018	Feedback forms completed and returned to TVA,	
	Blog post written and invoice received.	

Artists will need to be set up at Thorntree Hub by 9am.

Finance

Fees: £825 with up to £125 for resources (to be held by TVA)

We require receipts of any materials purchased for this project. Where these are supplied from own stock, please note this on your invoice.

Invoices MUST include purchase order numbers, and be emailed to : projects@teesvalleyarts.org.uk Your final payments will be made only when the conditions of your contract have been satisfied.

Our Role

- TVA will manage the Thorntree Roses Bloom programme
- The Project Manager will provide support for artists
- The Project Manager will assist with attendees as required by the artist
- The Project Manager will liaise with Thorntree Hub on behalf of the artist

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