



Get Creative Festival 2020 - Call Out!

Get involved and celebrate creativity in your community as part of this BBC supported national week long event!

Find out how your group, venue or cultural hub can get involved....

Do you want to celebrate your creative group and encourage new people to join? Then get involved in this year's Get Creative Festival from 9-17 May 2020! There are several different ways to take part - you could open up your usual weekly sewing club, life drawing group, or rehearsal or even stage a special event. If you run a venue you could host free or low-cost 'come and try' taster sessions, run by local arts groups and clubs, as a way of getting more involved in your community and developing new audiences..

Get Creative is a national campaign and festival run by [a group of cultural organisations](#) and is supported by the BBC, the idea is to celebrate and support the everyday creativity happening in homes and public spaces in every community. From outdoor photography to music workshops in your local library, via pottery, yarn bombing and performing on stage, we're celebrating an actively creative society that caters for everyone of every age, background and ability.

Get Creative aims to inspire people to try something new at home or at a Get Creative Festival event and to encourage people to share their own examples of everyday creativity. The annual festival sees community groups, cultural venues and individual creative citizens host participatory events that are accessible for everyone.

To find out more about Get Creatives and to discuss how you or your venue, hub or arts group can get involved, and also how to access additional free support and guidance on a range of subjects from GDPR, Applying for Funding and Risk Assessments to advice on how to share your skills and run a workshop. We are particularly keen to hear from community hubs, libraries and arts centres that might be interested in hosting free taster sessions as part of the festival and from arts groups that might be interested in running free taster sessions to encourage new audiences and to celebrate their creativity.

By arts group or creative group we mean a group of people who meet regularly to do something creative just for the fun of it. For example sewing, taking photographs, drawing, knitting, singing, dancing, take part in amateur dramatics, play as part of a band or orchestra, etc.

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From 9 - 17 May 2020, the Get Creative Festival will see people coming together to be creative at thousands of events across the country. Building on the success of recent years, we want to see this massive celebration of creativity reach every local community.

Visit the dedicated [Get Creative Festival website](#) to find out how to get involved, to list your event and to access a free festival toolkit, logos and templates to help you organise and promote your event. This is the perfect opportunity to celebrate your creativity, to invite new people to join your group, or even to start up a new art group from scratch!

Get Creative Festival 2019 took place from 11 - 19 May with a staggering 1,690 events taking place across the UK and Ireland. You can catch up on some of the highlights of the nine day celebration on the [BBC Arts website](#).

Contact Sally Reay, Voluntary Arts South West Development Officer -

sally@vaengland.org.uk - to find out more and to discuss how your venue, hub or arts group can get involved and what free support and guidance we can provide.

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