

Derbyshire County Council

Cabinet Member – Health and Communities

18 July 2013

Report of the Strategic Director, Cultural and Community Services

SMALL ARTS GRANTS 2013/14 – Second Round

1. Purpose of the report:

To seek approval from the Cabinet Member - Health and Communities to allocate Small Arts Grants to eight projects.

2. Information and analysis:

2.1 *Background*

Small Arts Grants (up to £1,000) support:

- a) Opening up opportunities for new audiences and participants in arts activities throughout the county
- b) Enabling community arts organisations to thrive and support work with disabled people and the rurally isolated
- c) Supporting the creative economy and encouraging creativity and development in local communities

2.2 *Table of requests*

It is recommended that the following eight groups receive the funding they have requested:

Organisation & Project	£ Rqt'd	Overall Project Cost	Meets Criteria
arthur+Martha, county-wide <i>Stitching the Wars</i> is collaborative project with older people in Derbyshire, creating artwork and poetry stitched on embroidered quilts from the reminiscences of people affected by the First and Second World Wars. Workshops will be held in partnership with the library service, Age UK, The Alzheimer's Society, The Farming Life Centre, The WI, The National Trust and The Quilters' Society	£1,000	£38,250	a) & b)

Captive Audience Community Theatre, Belper Setting up a new drama group for children and young people in Belper	£1,000	£1,700	a) & c)
Derbyshire Constabulary Male Voice Choir, county-wide Project to do a series of joint concerts with children's choirs around the county	£600	£1,160	a)
Friends of Lemon Grove Refuge, Swadlincote "Express Yourself" project to help women and children fleeing domestic abuse to express their feelings through art, producing a large artwork for the communal garden	£800	£1,000	a)
Made by Katie Green, Creswell, Crich, Cromford, Sudbury Children's dance theatre piece called "The Museum's Secrets" at four sites in Derbyshire, working with children and their families from the local communities to produce a different piece at each site	£1,000	£11,860	a)
Seeta Agency, New Mills "Music in the Mill", a 12 hour music festival held in Torr Vale Mill for a wide variety of local acoustic and electric bands	£830	£4,830	a) & c)
Spiral Arts, Ilkeston An intergenerational art and reminiscence project with the young people who attend the Cantelupe Youth Group and older people from a day centre in Ilkeston, culminating in a jointly designed and planned tea party	£1,000	£2,185	a) & b)
Whitwell Festival of Music A three-day festival of music in September in Whitwell, with a particular emphasis on encouraging young people to take part	£1,000	£5,370	a) & c)
Total Requested	£7,230		

3. Financial considerations:

This funding of £7,230 comes from the approved Community Arts budget.

4. Other considerations:

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered; legal, prevention of crime and disorder, equality of opportunity; human rights, personnel, environmental, health, property and transport considerations

5. Background papers:

Expenditure of Community Arts Budget 2013/14, March 2013
Small Arts Grants 2013/14, Round 1, April 2013

6. Key decision:

No.

7. Strategic Director's recommendation:

That the Cabinet Member - Health and Communities agrees to grant a total of £7,230 to the eight groups listed above.

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