

# GRANT OPPORTUNITY

Calling artists, creatives, community groups and teams

**Grants of up to £4000 to explore and celebrate what culture means for people in Doncaster as part of the launch of a new Culture Strategy**

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For more information, view the application pack.

Applications by 5pm on Wednesday 19 October 2022.



For a full brief and application form visit

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# EXPLORING CULTURE GRANT

## About

In Autumn 2022 a new Culture Strategy for Doncaster will be launched. Doncaster Council has worked with strategic partners, funders, and community groups and individuals to develop the ten-year strategy. It builds on the talents, passions and strong cultural heritage that already exist in Doncaster and presents a shared commitment to work together to provide great cultural experiences and opportunities for all.

We wish to commission local creatives to help us to explore and celebrate what culture means for people in Doncaster. This will form part of the launch of the strategy in Autumn 2022.

A total of £27,000 is available. Grants of up to £4000 can be applied for.

## Brief

We wish to commission local creatives to help us to explore and celebrate what culture means for people in Doncaster. We invite creatives to respond to the Culture Strategy's vision for culture:

**Doncaster is a place of places with a varied and vibrant culture. Our communities flourish by expressing their own creativity and connecting through shared cultural experiences of power and meaning.**

The response can be in any art form or creative medium, and based on any of the cultural themes identified in the Culture Strategy.

The cultural themes identified in the Culture Strategy are:

1. The Arts
2. Community Arts
3. Arts in Education
4. Arts and Health
5. Libraries, Literature & Learning
6. Museums, Heritage & Archives
7. Creative & Cultural Industries
8. Events
9. Physical Activity and Sport
10. Outdoors, Landscapes, Urban Realm



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You may chose to respond through creative writing, art work, a performance, film, music, installation, immersive event, learning event, dance, theatre, sporting activity, guided walk...

The response should be produced, displayed or take place in locality areas around the borough- not in the town centre.

Your response should give others in the community the opportunity to explore what culture means to them too.

We invite responses from creatives that want to work in partnership with other creatives, a community group, organisation or network.

We are also interested in responses that allow creatives to develop their creative practice, or develop skills and experience.

## Eligibility

- A maximum of £4000 can be applied for.
- This grant is open to creatives, artists, organisations, community groups, community teams and other similar groups.
- Applications should demonstrate how they fulfil the requirements of the brief.
- Applicants must be Doncaster residents or have a business address registered in Doncaster
- Activities that are funded must deliver activity within the Doncaster boundary and not in the city centre.
- The applicant must not be in liquidation, dissolved, struck off or subject to a striking off notice
- Your staff headcount must be below 250 full-time equivalent
- You will be required to produce evidence that the grant has been spent in line with your grant confirmation
- The grant cannot be used to pay core staffing costs or capital projects.
- The funded activity should be delivered by 31 March 2023.

If you are unsure whether you are eligible for funding contact the team at [exploringculturegrant@dclt.co.uk](mailto:exploringculturegrant@dclt.co.uk).

## Deadlines and key dates

- Applications should be submitted by 5pm on Wednesday 19 October 2022
- Applications will be moderated w/c 24 October 2022
- Successful applicants will be notified w/c 31 October 2022
- Funded projects should be complete by 31 March 2023

