

Emerge Community Builder

Part Time Freelance/Self Employed Role – 6 days @ £200 a day = £1200 between March and June 2023.

We are looking to recruit a local Community Builder to work with us as a critical guide on the ground as part of Emerge, a proposed two-year, environmentally inspired partnership project, led by Take Art, that will draw together communities in Bridgwater in unforeseen ways via a high quality, large-scale, arts-led public engagement programme throughout 2023/24.

The Community Builder needs to ideally live or work in Bridgwater who is directly connected to and linked into the various communities in the town and who is passionate about climate change and adaptation. Initially the Community Builder will be recruited to help shape the research and development stage of our project.

Overall Purpose: Working alongside delivery partners, Seed Sedgemoor and Stacked Wonky, to act as a catalyst through building relationships that enable people to engage in the project and act together for the common good creating more resilient communities.

Role will involve:

- Identifying and working with Bridgwater communities to encourage engagement with the project and nurture community led activity
- Liaise with other organisations, staff and partners to build relationships, raise awareness and understanding of the importance of the project working alongside and empowering communities
- Use a range of participatory methods and techniques to ensure that we include and hear from under-represented and excluded people
- Support Community Consultation and Engagement Best Practice
- Present on local intelligence to project partners
- Write up an evaluation report in conjunction with Stacked Wonky to inform Take Art's funding bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund.
- Co-work across wider networks, partnerships and the wider voluntary and community sector to further awareness of the project and its aims

Skills / Experience

- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills especially in engaging and listening to people.
- Experience of developing and working with groups.
- Ability to manage varying interest and potential conflict with confidence and sensitivity.
- Experience of working collaboratively.
- Ability to work flexibly - both independently and as part of a team.
- Knowledge of statutory, private, voluntary and community groups.
- Understanding of professional boundaries and safeguarding.

Please apply for this opportunity by submitting a 1 to 2 page expression of interest explaining why you would be interested in this role and how you would go about connecting with people and communities local to Bridgwater. This is to be emailed to info@takeart.org with the subject line Emerge Community Builder

Deadline 6th February
Interviews 10th February