



## Digital Storyteller Brief

May 2021

'Come Together' is an exciting new programme of public events, training and co-creation. Designed to support artists and communities to develop skills to create new spaces, experiences, and connections that enable us to 'Come Together'.

2020 has highlighted that 'hybrid' approaches to making and sharing art and culture are increasingly important. But how ready are we to navigate this new context?

As we tentatively come out of lockdown, what can we learn from the ways we stayed connected through the pandemic to build more inclusive spaces and experiences together? What could these spaces look and feel like? How might they mix the digital and the physical? How could these spaces be documented and shared with everyone?

### Call out

Knowle West Media Centre (KWMC) is looking to work with two creative digital storytellers / content creators, one with a visual practice (film, photography, illustration etc.) and one with a word-based practice (writing, podcasts etc.) to capture and tell the story of the new 'Come Together' project this Summer-Autumn 2021.

Digital storyteller / content creators must:

- have experience of publicly documenting, interpreting and communicating stories;
- be enthusiastic about working in community contexts;
- be excited to work in Knowle West (remotely or in person);
- be based in the South West Region;
- be familiar with digital software to support their practice, for example this could be; Adobe creative suite, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premier Pro, Pro-Tools.

As this project is exploring how to create more inclusive hybrid (physical plus digital) spaces to come together we particularly welcome applications from people who have lived experience of finding digital or physical spaces to be ableist, ageist, racist, classist, sexist, homophobic or transphobic.

### The Commission

The two commissioned storytellers / content creators will:

- Work together to creatively capture and share the story of the Come Together programme throughout and as part of the final showcase ([read the full programme outline](#))
- Work closely with the 4 commissioned artists and community collaborators to capture and tell the story of their co-creation process and projects
- Communicate with national partners who will test co-created work in their contexts to ensure this is captured.
- Engage with the Come Together project's overarching questions and themes adopting a related storytelling approach
- Develop ideas collaboratively, offering each other peer support and feedback
- Be coached and supported to develop your practice

## Timeline

The commission runs from July – October 2021.

- July: artist cohort co-developing ideas with community + public workshops / talks
- August - September: artists making / testing + public workshops / talks
- October: national showcase + compiling learnings & documentation

## Fees and Support

- Storyteller fee: **£2,000** each inclusive of VAT.
- Additional budget for materials and access (such as travel, BSL, translation etc.)

Storytellers will be supported by:

- KWMC team: providing producer, marketing and engagement support
- Artists: co-creating with communities in Knowle West
- National partners, including Grizedale Arts (Coniston, Cumbria), MAIA Group (Birmingham) and Onion Collective (Watchet, Somerset): testing co-created work
- Inclusion partners / critical friends: supporting the project throughout
- Community partners / Knowle West Alliance: connecting with the community

You can work remotely or in person. For those wanting to work in Knowle West, KWMC are able to offer desk space, printing support and access to the KWMC: Factory digital fabrication maker space as part of the commission. We support flexible working practices and KWMC producers will support you to work in a way that works best for you.

## How to apply

Follow this link to send us your written, audio or video application: [Apply here](#)

**Application deadline:** by 9am, Monday 28 June 2021

**Interviews** (via video call or in person) on: Friday 2nd July 2021

**Commission start date:** w/c 5 July 2021

If you have any access needs that require you to submit your proposal in another format, please get in touch so we can help you find a suitable option. All applications will be assessed according to the same criteria and submitting in a different format will not affect your chances of being selected. If you would like any further information or have any questions, please contact Georgia on 0117 903 0444 or [Georgia@KWMC.org.uk](mailto:Georgia@KWMC.org.uk).

## To find out more

### Q&A drop-in

Friday 11 June 2021, 10 – 11am

Join us on zoom to hear more about the project and ask questions. Email [Georgia@KWMC.org.uk](mailto:Georgia@KWMC.org.uk) to receive a link and book a place.

### Project Night

Thursday 24 June 2021, 6-8pm

A chance to find out more about the project, discuss initial ideas and eat together.

Email [Georgia@KWMC.org.uk](mailto:Georgia@KWMC.org.uk) to book a place: via zoom or in person at KWMC.

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