

On Your Doorstep - Moorland Creative Small Commission Opportunity

Artists and creatives based in and around Lincoln are invited to propose a creative intervention in the Moorland ward, from Moorland Community Centre and reaching local communities.

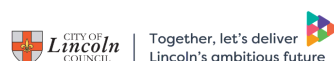
About

Founded in Spring 2024 by Chelsey Everatt, Rooted Arts connects communities to each other, creativity and nature, improving mental wellbeing. Our vision is that vibrant creativity will be deeply rooted in all communities, leading to content Hearts and a thriving Earth.

Securing a National Lottery Project Grant from Arts Council England has allowed Rooted Arts to launch an exciting 6 months of activity to establish the roots in Lincoln communities, and this commission is part of that project. Much of our work focuses on Moorland and Ermine in Lincoln.

To find out more about the organisation, please visit our website rootedarts.org.uk

In Moorland, Rooted Arts are working in partnership with Voluntary Centre Services who are delivering work funded through UKSPF, focused on engaging with the local community to help develop Moorland Community Centre into a thriving community venue.



The Commission

This is an exciting opportunity for creatives to work with local communities and develop an artistic intervention. This could take any art form including but not limited to: visual arts, digital, dance, music, theatre, writing etc. Applications are welcome from individuals or collectives.

We would expect the work to respond to Moorland as a place and could explore (but not limited to): community voice; identity of the place and people; heritage of the area; local stories; imagining the future; and happiness and light in winter months.

Work should be artist-led with community collaboration central to the project. The proposed intervention can be related to existing or ongoing projects, but should be tailored and bespoke to the locality. There should be an outcome that can be documented and shared.

Chelsey Everatt, Director of Rooted Arts, will work with the successful applicant to plan the project and utilise local connections and resources, including utilising local venues such as Moorland Community Centre for community engagement opportunities. Therefore, venues do

not need to be factored into the budget. There are other local venues and outdoor green spaces, which can also be utilised in kind.

Rooted Arts can provide mentoring and coaching to the selected creative, as well as other support around writing funding applications and general signposting. We want this to be a great development opportunity for those involved.

The project will be documented and shared through Rooted Arts social media and website. Marketing costs are additional to the budget provided and in house design will be created for engagement activities.

Rooted Arts will be responsible for the monitoring and evaluation of the project, but will require some reflection, input and reporting from the creatives.

Timeline

Date	Activity
1st November	Creative Brief Issued
22nd November	Deadline for Proposals
w/c 25th November	Community and Partners to undergo decision process, clarification questions may be sent to creatives
2nd December	Successful creative contacted and contract issued
3rd December 2024 - 7th February 2025	Project delivery
14th February	Final reporting deadline

Eligibility

There are limited criteria for the commissions to enable as many artists and creatives to submit as possible. However:

- Priority will be given to artists and creatives based in Lincoln, especially those with connections to Moorland the surrounding areas
- You must have valid public liability insurance and if successful, collaborate on producing risk assessments for project activities
- Produce an outcome which can be shared with the local community, either physically at the Community Centre, elsewhere locally including outside, or digitally online

Budget

One commission will be made, to a maximum budget of £2500, which should include artist fees, equipment, materials and all other associated costs. It does not need to include marketing costs (design, print, socials etc.) or venue hire for engagement activities.

Submission

Please email proposals to chelsey@rootedarts.org.uk by 5pm on Friday 22nd November, clearly marked 'MOORLAND COMMISSION SUBMISSION'. The submission should include the following information:

- 1) Outline of the proposal including how the community will be engaged in the commission, why you are interested in being involved, and what form the proposed outcome will take. Please include images if these are available.
- 2) Budget breakdown to include all costs for artist fees, materials and equipment.
- 3) Your CV and details of relevant past projects - this could include links to a website, socials, videos etc.

We are also happy to accept the above in audio or video format. Applicants are welcome to contact us on chelsey@rootedarts.org.uk or can visit Moorland Community Centre between 10am-12noon on a Wednesday, to discuss the project.

Selection will be based on the quality of your idea, suitability for the local area, and your ability to deliver the work to a high artistic standard and within the timescales and budget. The community will be central to the decision making process, guided by Rooted Arts and partners, so it may be worth considering how the proposal will be appealing to the public.

Applicants will be contacted with the outcome during w/c Monday 2nd December.

Rules and Regulations

- The deadline is 5pm on Friday 22nd November. Any submissions that arrive late will not be considered.
- The assessment of the submissions will be made by Rooted Arts, partners and the community.
- We reserve the right to invite creatives to an interview before a final decision is made.
- At our discretion, after receiving proposals, we are permitted to not commission any work.
- The decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into, in regards to decisions made. You must agree to this in order to be eligible. However, feedback will be given to all applicants.
- Once a decision is made, a detailed contract with agreed targets, outcomes and milestones will be agreed between Rooted Arts and the successful applicant.