

BRADFORD CULTURAL VOICE

Freelance Network Lead

Bradford Cultural Voice Forum's Young People's Sub-Network

Location: Bradford (local candidates preferred)

Fee: £2,000 (estimated at £200 per day for 10 days work)

Contract Duration: All work to be completed by January 2026

Overview

Bradford Cultural Voice Forum is seeking an energetic and experienced facilitator to lead a specialist sub network for young people aged 18 to 25 engaged in the cultural and creative sector. The network aims to connect and empower young artists and creatives, supporting their engagement with current cultural and heritage work happening in the district.

Key Responsibilities

Network Development

- Establish the format and operations of the Young People's Sub-Network.
- Collaborate with young people to understand their cultural interests and needs.

Networking Sessions

- Plan and deliver a minimum of four in-person networking sessions by January 2026.
- Coordinate venue hire and manage logistics, with additional designated funds available for these expenses (room hire and refreshments).

Community Engagement

- Engage local young people engaged in the arts and cultural sector and facilitate discussions around cultural and heritage topics.
- Create a welcoming environment that encourages creativity and collaboration.
- Discuss next steps after 2025.

Impact / Evaluation

- Write a report assessing the impact of the network and the sessions, aiming to position this initiative as a catalyst for ongoing networking and support within the sector. The report should make recommendations for next steps.

Data Collection & Reporting

- Responsible for collecting qualitative and quantitative data for monitoring and evaluation purposes throughout the duration of the project.
- Complete a comprehensive case study at the end of the contract, summarising key findings, participant feedback, and recommendations for future initiatives.

Experience

Essential

- Demonstrated experience in developing and delivering networking initiatives, particularly in the cultural/creative/arts or heritage sector.
- Experience of working with a wide range of young people in the arts/ cultural sector.
- Proven ability to engage and inspire diverse groups of people.
- Strong organisational and communication skills.
- Experience in data collection, evaluation and report writing processes.

Desirable

- Familiarity with the Bradford arts and cultural community and its dynamics.

Application Process

Interested candidates should submit a proposal outlining their relevant experience, approach to developing and leading the network, methods for data collection, and any initial ideas for networking sessions. Please keep proposals to a maximum of two pages.

Please include a current CV with contact details of at least one relevant referee. This can be a colleague, employer, academic or volunteering supervisor, but not a relative. References will only be sought for the successful candidate.

If there are any adjustments that will help you shine through the recruitment process, please don't hesitate to request them – we will try our very best to accommodate. This could be an option to submit your application in a different format, provision of language support, or any other access needs you might have.

Deadline: Wednesday 24th September

Interview Date: w/c 29th September

Contact Information

For inquiries and to apply, please contact hello@bradfordculturalvoiceforum.com

We look forward to receiving your application and exploring how you can help amplify the voices of young artists within the Bradford area!