

CVF Meeting Agenda – 4 Dec '25

Date:	Thursday 4 December
Time:	4:00pm–6:00pm
Location:	Bradford Arts Centre, Weston Room
Address:	St Peter's House, 1 Forster Square BD1 4TY

Schedule

4:00–4:10	Arrival & refreshments
4:10–4:15	Welcome and updates from CVF
4:15–4:25	Connecting Culture Conference update
4:25–4:40	Start with Art: Artist showcase
4:40–4:50	Update from Bradford Arts Centre
4:50–5:10	Mind the Gap talk and Q&A
5:10–5:20	Comfort break
5:20–5:40	SENDiverse by The Leap
5:40–6:00	Access roundtable
6:00–10:00	Closing with Culture: Creative Winter Social

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4:00–4:10 (10 mins) Arrival, registration, networking, and refreshments.

4:10–4:15 (5 mins) Welcome and updates from CVF.

- Celebrating the activity of CVF sub-networks.
- Update on the Access Funding Scheme overhaul and major website redesign.

4:15–4:25 (10 mins) Kathryn Penny, Conference Producer.

- Connecting Culture Conference tickets going live.
- Sneak peek at the conference programme.

4:25–4:40 (15 mins) Start with Art: Artist showcase featuring Razwan Ul-Haq, calligraphy artist and finalist of the 2025 England Maker of the Year Award.

4:40–4:50 (10 mins) Alex Croft, CEO of Bradford Arts Centre.

- Talk about the recent reopening after a major refurbishment and rebrand.
- Accessibility of the new building.

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4:50–5:10 (20 mins) Charli, Creative Director of Mind the Gap Theatre.

- Approach to access and inclusive practice.
- Current projects at Mind the Gap.
- 5 minute Q&A.

5:10–5:20 (10 mins) Comfort break and networking.

5:20–5:40 (20 mins) Ibrar Ali, Community Development Manager at The Leap.

- SENDiverse Festival update.
- 5 minute Q&A.

5:40–6:00 (20 mins) Access rountable discussion.

- How can the arts and heritage sector be made more accessible to creatives and communities?
- Discover Cards for Inclusion by Unlimited.
- Find out more about the CVF Access framework.

6:00 Closing with Culture: Creative Winter Social