



ArtWorks
Cymru

Wales Artist Coaching Pathway

Information for Coachees

ArtWorks Cymru is a partnership of 29 organisations from across Wales who deliver participatory arts. The partnership came together to deliver sector development programs as required.

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As part of the 2023 – 2024 ArtWorks Cymru program is piloting the Wales Artist Coaching Pathway to support freelance participatory artists in Wales to develop their practice. The Pathway will focus on dialogue between an artist-coach and artist-coachees in which the coachees can explore their practice, aspirations, needs and potential.

We are keen to receive applications from individuals who are under-represented / have faced neglect or exclusion from the arts community; we particularly welcome applications from disabled people, Black, Asian and ethnically diverse people.

Six artist-coaches took part in a training retreat where we developed the coaching program in collaboration with Courtney Boddie from the New Victory Theatre, New York. Each artist will coach three other artists using the program developed in a range of different contexts across Wales.

The Pilot Project Cohort

The 2023 Cohort Artists and sponsor organisations:

Bethan Page (Aberystwyth Arts Centre)

Clare Potter (Literature Wales)

Jon Dafydd-Kidd (Riverfront)

Martin Daws (Community Music Wales)

Pauline Down (Swansea Bay University Health Board)

Rabab Ghazoul (Gentle Radical)

The Pathway

Pathway Coaching Session will include the following:

- Mentorship by an artist-coach
- Defining the core values of your participatory practice
- Exploring your journey as a Participatory Artist using the Wales Artist Pathway Tool
- Exploring the next steps in your practice

You will meet up to five times with your coach.

The Timeline

July 2023 onwards - Coaching sessions take place. Each organisation must decide the context in which the coaches will work.

Evaluating the Pilot Pathway

ArtWorks Cymru will be evaluating the Wales Artist Coaching Pathway Pilot. You will be asked to fill in an online survey at the end of the coaching process and may be selected to take part in a final semi-structured interview.

Contacts

The organisation who has recruited you as a coachee will provide you with a main contact and put you in touch with your artist-coach.

Get in touch if people need the info in a different format (i.e. large print, audio)

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