



Small Arts Grant Fund:

About the Fund:

Ryedale District Council recognises that our arts and culture sector has been impacted by the COVID-19 crisis and the challenges faced by lockdown and the ongoing social distancing regulations. Providing cultural activities will be challenging for the foreseeable future and yet arts and cultural engagement is essential for our health and wellbeing.

The sector is always resourceful in generating creative solutions. We want to support the sector and our communities with the small Art Grant Scheme.

The application window is from Tuesday 1st Sept until midnight on the 14th Sept.

Key Aims:

The aims of the small Art Grants is to support small organisations and freelancers to:

- support Ryedale communities and visitors to engage with creative and artistic outputs in a safe way taking into account social distancing safety measures where applicable
- contribute to community health and wellbeing
- contribute to a vibrant and creative Ryedale
- contribute to the wider creative economy of Ryedale
- create new ideas and approaches to outputs

Who can apply?

- Artists, freelancers, CICs, arts organisations, arts-related charities based in Ryedale and delivering activity in Ryedale
- Your free reserves are less than £10k at the time of application

What can you apply for?

- The grant can be used to pay for professional fees for freelancers to develop and present activity
- The grant can be used to pay for equipment and supplies that support the delivery of activity

Please note: You can only apply once in this round.

Timescales: Projects must be completed within six months after award.

Grants considered: between £250 and £1000.



We will not fund:

- General and ongoing running costs
- Building maintenance
- Retrospective support for activities that have already started or taken place
- Building renovations & capital costs (fixed / venues)

How the fund works:

Only applications made online through the Ryedale District Council Small Grant fund online application form will be considered

You must stipulate in your application what the grant will be used for, and provide details of quotes or costings that justify the amount of your request.

Ryedale District Council will carry out checks to verify applications. This is to avoid fraud and ensure Council money is being allocated appropriately.

Applications will be considered after the closing date and applicants should be informed of a decision within two weeks. Please attach any relevant documents to your application eg: evidence of public liability insurance, bank statement, safeguarding policy, constitution/set of rules, risk assessments.

If the fund is over-subscribed, priority will be given to applications that it is deemed best meet the outline aims of the grant, and that ensure as wide a range of Ryedale communities are represented and provided for as possible.

You are not excluded from applying if you have already had a different grant award from the council this year but please note, priority may be given to those who have not received grant funds this year.

If you are successful, we will send you a grant offer detailing the amount, terms and any specialist conditions of the grant award. Depending on the project outlined, and what you have supplied with your application, we may also ask to see certain documents prior to the grant being paid.

As this is being launched as an emergency fund, grants will be paid up front in full.

By accepting the award you agree to abide by the Council's grant conditions.

All grant money must be spent within six months.

Ryedale District Council will monitor the outcome of the grant scheme and may undertake follow-up checks to ascertain that money was spent as intended, and reserves the right to take back any grant that has not been spent, or was not spent in line with the application.



This grant scheme can be used as match funding for a larger project but confirmation of other funding awards will be needed before a payment can be made.

Your Information:

In order to accept your application we must process your information, some of which is personal (for example, your name, address, email address etc). We are allowed to process this information because administering the grants is part of our statutory function. As part of the grant application process we may share the details of the application form with relevant Elected Members and officers of Ryedale District Council, plus other parties who can help us to verify the information in the application. Information in relation to your grant application will be retained by the Council for two years following the completion of the project. Please see the Privacy Notice on Ryedale District Council's website.

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