

Creative Workshops – Artist Callout

What is Wakefield Exchange (WX)?

Wakefield Exchange (WX) is an event and exhibition space in the heart of Wakefield, operated by Wakefield Council. The former market hall has been transformed into a venue that aims to offer accessible and inclusive entertainment, creativity and culture for the people of our district and beyond.

Find out more about the venue and our programme here: [Welcome to Wakefield Exchange](#)

What are we looking for?

WX are looking for artists and creatives to run fun, hands-on workshops for people of all ages.

These sessions will be part of our seasonal programmes, which will offer creative activities that everyone can join in with. We are interested in ideas from different creative practices, but are particularly interested in hands-on workshops, such as sculpture, painting, drawing, textiles and more.

You will have:

- Proven experience running engaging creative workshops for the public
- A friendly and inclusive approach to delivery
- Public Liability Insurance (£5 million)

How to apply

Please email pkealey@wakefield.gov.uk stating:

- Which workshops you would like to deliver
- How many people you can accommodate per workshop
- Where you are based - please note we may favour applications from creatives in Wakefield District as part of our commitment to our local creative sector
- A brief description of your idea (200 words)
- A brief description of your experience (200 words)
- Your fee, including time, materials & travel – our target budget is £250 per session max (excluding wreath making), but we may be open to increase this for a great idea

Deadline: Midnight, Sunday 10th August

The dates and audiences

Adult workshops – part of our evening programming

Thursday 9th October – 7pm to 9pm

Theme: Autumn (open to ideas)

Thursday 30th October – 7pm to 9pm

Theme: Halloween – Pumpkin Painting

Thursday 23d November – 7pm to 9pm

Theme: Winter (open to ideas)

Thursday 11th December – 7pm to 9pm

Theme: Festive Wreath Making

Family workshops – daytime programming aimed at children aged 5 - 11

Sunday 21st September – 1pm to 3pm

Theme: Heritage – linked to Heritage Open Days (open to ideas)

Sunday 19th October – 1pm to 3pm

Theme: Autumn (open to ideas)

Sunday 23rd November – 1pm to 3pm

Theme: Winter (open to ideas)

Sunday 21st December – 1pm to 3pm

Theme: Christmas (open to ideas)

Want to apply in another way?

We welcome applications in written, audio and video format. If you have any concerns or queries about accessibility, please contact pkealey@wakefield.gov.uk