

Pitch an Idea for a Creative Library Workshop

For Students Aged 11-17

Redruth Library, in collaboration with Kresen Kernow, have been awarded funding by SWRLS to deliver a series of workshops aimed at an audience aged 11-17, to encourage engagement with the resources and support available through Redruth Library. The workshops will be based on successful ideas pitched by students and inspired by the Universal Library Offers.

This exciting project will allow 6 students to meet with a professional artist to turn their vision into reality and develop a workshop for 15 of their peers.

Workshops will take place between April and December 2026 and applicants must have parental consent to apply. Successful applicants, whose workshop idea is selected and developed, will receive a stipend of £40 for their participation

Students will be shortlisted based on the application form and invited to a short interview, in February, in order to finalise selection of the 6 students. We will then look to match artists based on the successful workshop ideas.

If you and/or your parent/guardian have any questions or need any support completing the application form (including alternative formats), please contact Redruth.Library@liscornwall.org.uk, call 01872 326385 or pop into the library and ask to speak to the Senior Library Officer.

Further Information: Universal Library Offers

Information on the Universal Library Offers can be found on the Libraries Connected website: <https://www.librariesconnected.org.uk/projects/universal-library-offers>

- Culture and Creativity: Enabling local communities to enjoy high-quality arts and cultural experiences through libraries.
- Health and Wellbeing: Supporting the health and wellbeing of communities through services that inform, engage and connect.
- Information and Digital: Ensuring communities can access quality information and digital services, learn new digital skills and feel safe online.
- Reading: Building a literate and confident society by developing, delivering and promoting creative reading activities in libraries.

The Libraries Connected website also includes a calendar which brings together key national campaigns, festivals and celebrations through which libraries can develop and promote the Universal Library Offers: <https://www.librariesconnected.org.uk/universal-library-offers-calendar>

FAQs for Applicants and their Parents/Guardians

Q. Who can apply?

A. Any student aged 11-17 can apply.

Q. What is the time commitment?

A. The project will require approximately 5 hours of the students time, including meeting with the artist and supporting the workshop.

Q. Is parental consent required?

A. Yes, parental consent is required to take part in this project. Please ensure that the relevant section on the application form has been completed. For successful applicants there will be further consent forms required to be completed by both student and parent/guardian.

Q. Where will the interviews, artists meetings and workshops and take place?

A. The interviews and meetings with the artist will be held at the library and supervised by a member of library staff. Parents/Guardians are welcome to be present. The Workshops can be held at the library or an alternative, suitable location within Redruth. This will be down to the workshop idea proposed by the student and their meeting with the artist. Safeguarding procedures will be in place for all instances.

Q. Who will supervise the project?

A. The project will be supervised by the Senior Library Officer and all sessions will be supervised by library staff who are trained in safeguarding and DBS checked. The selected artists will also be DBS checked.

Q. What if a student has additional needs?

A. Please let us know about any additional requirements or support you may need so that we can ensure a positive and accessible experience. This applies to the whole process from application through to design and participation in the workshop.

The information provided on this form will be used to process your application. If you succeed in your application and take up the opportunity to deliver a workshop with an artist, the information will be used in the administration of the project and will be shared with third parties/partners in order to meet reporting outputs as a requirement of the funding. We will keep the applications of unsuccessful applications for up to 3 months post interviews at which time we will shred and/or delete the information contained within this application. Please refer to our privacy notice for more information in relation to how we process data, who our Data Protection Officer is as well as key contacts and your rights. The privacy notice can be found on our website www.redruth-tc.gov.uk or through contacting the Town Clerk's Office and requesting a copy to be sent to you. By signing the application form you agree to the processing of personal data, (as described above), in accordance with our registration with the Information Commissioners and under relevant regulations such as the General Data Protection Regulations.