

// POP NEWS / ISSUE 19 //

Hello and welcome to the February edition of **POP News**. Thanks for signing up. It's a packed issue, with one of the main highlights being a raft of opportunities for freelance creatives to apply for funding to deliver Youth Arts projects. In Renfrewshire, **PACE Theatre** are running the **ignite21** programme, and there is also **Action for Children's** Renfrewshire Loom Walk call-out; however, it is worth heading over to the main Creative Scotland Opportunities site as there are currently call-outs running Scotland-wide: <https://opportunities.creativescotland.com/>

Once again this issue has gone out a day later than usual! So, I am going to be realistic and schedule the next one to go out on **Tues 23 Feb**. Please get in touch with any news, events or opportunities that you'd like included in the next edition: artsteam@renfrewshire.gov.uk

Hope you are all staying safe and creative, Kate & all the Arts Team at Renfrewshire Leisure



// FEB 2021 //

// FUNDING & GRANTS //



WILLIAM SYSON FOUNDATION

Funding available to Scottish individuals and organisations working in the visual and performing arts, literature and arts heritage with funding available for revenue and capital expenditure.

More info: hello@williamsysonfoundation.org.uk or visit www.williamsysonfoundation.org.uk/make-an-application

DEADLINE: Wed 31 Mar, 2021



RENFREWSHIRE LOOMWALK : ACTION FOR CHILDREN

Action for Children is one of the distributing organisations for Creative Scotland's Youth Arts Small Grants awarding grants between £500-£4000 directly to freelance artists/creative practitioners to deliver artist-led youth arts activities. In Renfrewshire, Action for Children are looking for artists to lead workshops to create sensory installations for Loom Walk garden, Kilbarchan. **Loom Walk** offers a chance for disabled young people to have fun, gain independence, learn and develop while families get to take a much-needed break. More info: www.actionforchildren.org.uk

CreativeScotlandFunding@actionforchildren.org.uk

DEADLINE: Mon 1 Mar, 2021 | 5pm



POWER UP PARTICIPANT PROGRAMME : PRS FOUNDATION

The Power Up Participant Programme is designed to elevate exciting Black music creators and industry professionals and address barriers for those at crucial career stages. Participants will power up through: grant support of up to £15k, capacity building and mentoring, access to partners, marketing and pr support from the PRS Foundation.

More info: prsfoundation.com/power-up-participant-programme

DEADLINE: Wed 10 Mar, 2021 | 5pm



IGNITE21: FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CREATIVES IN RENFREWSHIRE

PACE Theatre Company is launching the first phase of Ignite21; a year-long programme of initiatives designed to help renew and rebuild youth arts in Renfrewshire. Applications are now open for the **Youth Arts Small Grants Scheme**; grants of between £750 and £3000 are available to work with children and young people, especially those most affected by Covid-19. Projects must be Renfrewshire based, but artists can live or work in any area.

More info: www.pacetheatre.com/ignite21

DEADLINE: Sun 7 Mar, 2021 | 5pm



MUSICIANS' RECOVERY, RESILIENCE, & GROWTH PROJECT CHAMBER MUSIC SCOTLAND

Designed to support freelance classical musicians who have been financially and creatively impacted by Covid-19. The programme will provide focused coaching plus funding of £1,000 to deliver a project.

More info: www.chambermusicscotland.com/musicians

DEADLINE: Mon 22 Feb, 2021 | 17:00



I-PORTUNUS - INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY FUNDING CREATIVE EUROPE DESK UK-SCOTLAND

CALLS NOW OPEN for mobility & international collaborations. This second phase focuses on artists, creators and cultural professionals in Music, Literary Translation, Architecture & Cultural Heritage. **Creative Europe** is the EU's programme to support the cultural, creative and audio-visual sectors. **i-Portunus** is co-funded by the **Creative Europe** program and a consortium headed by **Goethe-Institut** with **Institut Français** and **IzolyatsiaMobility**. Funding will support short term mobility that focuses on international collaboration, professional development and production oriented residencies.

More info: kate.deans@creativescotland.com (Kate Deans)

Or visit www.i-portunus.eu/

DEADLINE: Sun 28 Feb, 2021 | 17:00

// OPPORTUNITIES //



FIELD ONLINE RESIDENCY : TWO DESTINATION LANGUAGE

#FIELDScotland is a conversational residency on VALUE.

Two Destination Language are offering ten freelance creative practitioners in the performing arts £1,000 each to take part in an online conversational residency. The residency will take place 15 - 26 March 2021, online. Participation is restricted to those working in Scotland. Find out more:

www.twodestinationlanguage.com/curation/field-scotland

DEADLINE TO EXPRESS INTEREST: Fri 19 Feb, 2021



CLIMATE BEACONS FOR COP26 | CREATIVE CARBON SCOTLAND

A Scotland-wide collaborative project between climate change or environmental organisations and arts, heritage or cultural organisations to stimulate long-term public engagement in the lead-up to and following COP26.

Creative Carbon Scotland is currently looking to hear from organisations working in the arts, climate, culture, environmental or heritage sectors that are interested in participating in the project. We are currently organising funding to cover participating organisations' activity and will invite formal applications once this has been secured.

For information about Climate Beacons visit:

www.creativecarbonscotland.com/climate-beacons-for-cop26

DEADLINE TO EXPRESS INTEREST: Mon 1 Mar, 2021 | 9am



CALLING

volunteers

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES: SWIM NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Scottish Women Inventing Music have been working behind the scenes on some major new activities and projects. SWIM are looking for help, in the following roles to get things moving:

Social Media Assistant (3hrs/week) - scheduling social media, occasional content creation, responding to comments/questions, updating our membership and audience on SWIM's activities.

Coordination Assistant (5 hrs/month) - someone with excellent organisational skills. Organising Doodle polls/calendar meetings, confident with timelines and capturing actions in meetings.

Admin Assistant x 2 (3 hrs/week) - two people to help assist with administrative tasks; including helping manage our member's database, emails, internal admin on projects.

If you have spare time and would like to help contribute to our next phase then please email scotwim@gmail.com



SCOTTISH MUSIC CENTRE & NEW MUSIC SCOTLAND

The Scottish Music Centre & New Music Scotland have partnered to become the official *Scottish Section of the International Society for Contemporary Music (ISCM)* and invite composers to submit their scores for *World New Music Days (WNMD) Shanghai & Nanning 2021*. The ISCM is an international network of members from around fifty countries, devoted to the promotion and presentation of new and contemporary music. There are 12 categories for which submissions are invited to be presented at the festival. Submit works by sending a PDF version of the score plus an audio or video recording of the work (if available), or audio/video documentation if the work does not have a written score.

For full info, please visit: newmusicscotland.co.uk/iscm2021

DEADLINE: Mon 22 Feb, 2021 | 5pm



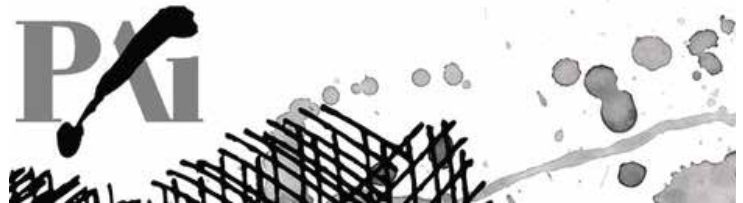
PROGRAMME MANAGER SCOTTISH BAME WRITERS NETWORK

Scottish BAME Writers Network are looking to hire a new Programme Manager who can help organise and coordinate events, and foster new partnerships for our non-profit in the Scottish literary sector.

More info: ScotBAMEWriters@gmail.com

<https://scottishbamewritersnetwork.org>

DEADLINE: Sun 14 Feb, 2021 | 23:55



PAI : SCOTTISH DRAWING COMPETITION 2021

Paisley Art Institute is holding an open call for the Scottish Drawing Competition 2021; with prizes ranging from £100 - £500

Full details and entry guidelines: <https://paisleyartinstitute.org/>

Submit work here: <https://pai.submittable.com/submit>

DEADLINE: Wed 31 Mar, 2021

Our Voices

CREATIVE SCOTLAND : OUR VOICES: A DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR EMERGING PROSE WRITERS.

Our Voices will support around 40 emerging writers from under-represented communities. CS are seeking applications from those who have begun to write their first book, who are ready to respond to professional feedback on their writing and would like an opportunity to discuss their ambitions as writers. CS welcome applications from unpublished writers who identify as disabled, LGBTQ+, care-experienced, BAME (Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic), and/or from a low-income household. Apply here:

<https://ourvoices.creativescotland.com/signup>

ROUND 1 DEADLINE: Fri 12 Feb, 2021. Round 2 opens May 2021



MUSICIANS' UNION : WOMEN'S NETWORK MEETING

The next MU Women's network meeting will take place on 12 Feb. As a member-led organisation, the MU often asks for members' opinions on a whole range of topics to ensure that their work represents members views. The MU equality networks are an important part of this process. Network members receive regular updates on our equalities work via newsletters, as well as the opportunity to contribute to MU consultation responses and take part in surveys. If you'd like more details about the MU's equalities work please contact john.shortell@themu.org



FOR THOSE IN PARTICIPATORY OR SOCIALLY ENGAGED ARTS. Of Source is a community facing social practice research project, led by artist Morvern Odling. Of Source is gathering knowledge about the creative third sector through interviews, workshops and practical research. Find out more & take part in the 10 min survey: <https://ofsource.squarespace.com/>



#CREATIVECONNECT NETWORKING SESSION : GLASGOW CAN

This month's #CREATIVECONNECT session will feature guest speaker and leading Youth Drama/Creative Arts Practitioner Glenna Morrison: *"Drama and self expression is vital to our existence, development and mental health and has never been more so. The ability to share my knowledge of drama with children and young adults and pass on my tales of experiences in this rich and wonderful world will hopefully inspire others to create their own content and explore the possibilities that Drama can hold."*

Always FREE & open to *Glasgow Connected Arts Network* non-members: <https://linktr.ee/glasgowcan>



If you've got no time to research potential funders, then GRANTfinder is for you! Book a free session with Engage Renfrewshire and walk away with lists of funders who have an interest in your work or project. Get your free GRANTfinder session booked now: info@engagerenfrewshire.com



#FeatureThursdays is a weekly takeover of Paisley Arts Centre's social media where we give the spotlight to local creatives. We are looking for entries from Renfrewshire-based artists, creative practitioners, arts organisations, with a range of interests, skills and backgrounds. Email artsteam@renfrewshire.gov.uk to get involved.



CVANETWORK INVITATION: LAUNCH #ArtsEssential CAMPAIGN

Thurs 11 Feb | 2pm - 3pm

Whether you are an artist, arts freelancer, arts educator, arts professional, venue, organisation, network or anyone in between - you can make a difference by being part of this campaign. It is a particularly uncertain time as we continue to assess the pandemic's long-term impacts and start to navigate a new landscape post-Brexit. Join this event that brings the visual arts sector together in a campaign that shouts: **ART IS ESSENTIAL**

www.eventbrite.com/e/artisessential-campaign-launch-tickets-139414539641



CRAFTSCOTLAND: MAKER JOURNEYS IN FOCUS

Hear from five makers, Frances Priest [@francesprieststudio](https://www.instagram.com/francesprieststudio), Heather McDermott [@heathermcdermottjewellery](https://www.instagram.com/heathermcdermottjewellery), Bryony Knox [@bryonyknox](https://www.instagram.com/bryonyknox), Cara Guthrie [@caraguthrieceramics](https://www.instagram.com/caraguthrieceramics), and Laura Spring [@lauraspringstudio](https://www.instagram.com/lauraspringstudio), as they guide you through their journeys running a creative business. Maker Journeys in Focus is the final COMPASS: online workshop series.

Book Ticket (£25) - <https://linktr.ee/craftscotland> - by 8 Mar



KAIROS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY FESTIVAL

TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE for Kairos' #IWD2021 Festival 12-13 March Exploring gender inequality in Scotland and across the globe in talks and interactive workshops:

WOMEN& Femininity | WOMEN& History | WOMEN& Care | WOMEN& Art
WOMEN& Work | WOMEN& Addiction | WOMEN& Covid-19
Plus The Ultimate Feminism Quiz!

Tickets are pay what you can donation (or free) Book via Eventbrite NOW! www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/kairos-women-18646298774?s=128624043
What will you **#CHOOSETOCHALLENGE** this International Women's Day?

This festival has been created by the Kairos Equalities Collective, our campaigning group. We are open to new members. Get in touch to find out more: katy@activecommunities.co.uk



PAISLEY BOOK FESTIVAL : BOOKSHOP

Have you seen the @BookPaisley shop over on @bookshop_org_uk ? Not only has it got the author's titles that are involved in #PBF2021 but many have also included their influences & inspiration. Browse, support the authors, buy a book: <https://uk.bookshop.org/shop/paisleybookfest>



GLASGOW WOMENS LIBRARY : SPRING PROGRAMME

Glasgow Womens Library's new programme of events is now live - running from Feb - May 2021, it includes story cafés, reading groups, performances, creative writing workshops & more! With a focus on kindness, community, creativity & activism; there's something for everyone!
<https://womenslibrary.org.uk/2021/02/04/spring-programme-events-at-a-glance/>



OUTSPOKEN ARTS SCOTLAND : FREE CREATIVE LEARNING WORKSHOPS

A series of online workshops for young people, school leavers and those not in employment, further education or training - exploring drawing, film making, sculpture from found and recyclable materials and clay. Full programme details: <http://outsokenarts.org/workshops/>
 First workshop - Tue 16 Feb | 5-7pm - Drawing with Katie McGroarty
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212701>



An installation view of Ghost Calls by Emma Talbot at Dundee Contemporary Arts PIC: Ruth Clark

HEALING & BEAUTY: MOIRA JEFFREY - THE POWER OF ART IN A CRISIS

ICYMI. As Moira Jeffrey takes over as director of SCAN, the Scottish Contemporary Art Network - her article in The Scotsman reflects on some of the art that has sustained her through the coronavirus pandemic, and on how the arts can provide solace in troubled times.
www.scotsman.com/arts-and-culture/art/healing-and-beauty-moira-jeffrey-power-art-crisis-3110699



THE TALK OF THE TOWN: A BILLBOARD TAKE-OVER | FEB 22 - APR 6*

This spring a series of three specially commissioned pieces of writing penned by Renfrewshire-based writers will be pasted up large on the billboard outside Gilmour St Station.

The first piece will be Roddy Scott's *Sma' Shot Reel*; the second is from David Rae, whose words draw on the romance of meeting and parting at the station and the third by Kick The Door Theatre whose piece asks - *with that all behind us, what next?*

Kate Drummond, Visual Arts Producer at RL said: "We are all used to looking at billboards and expecting to read words that are selling us something - by using the space as a place to share a different kind of writing we hope to spark curiosity, a sense of community and to get people talking about what they see and read. We hope the billboards become the talk of the town!"

*Dates may vary.



Februllage

Official 2021 Prompt List in English
 Our challenge

1st February Butterflies	2nd February Text	3rd February Triangle
4th February Joy	5th February Window	6th February Jungle
7th February Bug	8th February Street	9th February Leaves
10th February Thread	11th February Aeroplane	12th February Sea
13th February Zebra	14th February Spooky	15th February Feathers
16th February Prison	17th February Canary Bird	18th February Paint
19th February Chair	20th February Ideal	21st February Shout
22nd February Disco	23rd February Book	24th February Close
25th February Teacup	26th February Hair	27th February Rose Flower
28th February House		

Enjoy!

FEBRULLAGE - A COLLAGE A DAY DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY!

The Scandinavian Collage Museum and Edinburgh Collage Collective are hosting an open call project, #Februllage 2021

An invitation to challenge yourself to make a collage a day throughout the month of February, using the words from the Februllage 2021 Official Word Prompt Calendar: <https://missprinted.no/februllage/>

Februllage Rules:

1. Make a collage based on the daily prompt (analog or digital).
2. Post it on instagram
3. Hashtag it with #februllage and #februllage2021

****SIGN UP & STAY IN TOUCH****

Keeping Renfrewshire's creative community connected, and supporting artists, makers and creative freelancers in the area through this time and into the future. *Please sign up, join in and stay in touch.*



Future Paisley is a radical and wide ranging programme of events, activities and investments using the town's unique and internationally significant cultural stories to transform its future.