



Skills Development Artist



We're Hiring: Skills Development Artist

We're looking for an artist/s to lead weekly, hands-on art-making workshops in 5 locations across West Cumbria, to lead weekly, hands-on art-making workshops in as part of Create & Connect a creative programme celebrating connection, community, and craft.

Each session offers local participants the chance to learn a new artistic skill in a welcoming, sociable environment. Sessions are designed to build confidence, spark creativity, and support personal and artistic development. The participants will develop artistic skills that they can then teach in public workshops at the Imagine Festival in February 2026. We're inviting artists with strong participatory skills and a passion for teaching to apply.

Project Details:

- When: Weekly 2 hr workshops
- Where: In Aspatria, Frizington, Flimby, Mirehouse and Cleator Moor
- Project Duration: Mid- October 2025 – February 2026
- Who Attends: Over 18's from local and surrounding areas – no prior experience necessary
- 3hrs per week at £45 per hour

What We're Offering:

- Paid time to connect with community groups and local people
- Materials budget available (to be agreed upon at point of contract)

What We're Looking For:

We want to hear from artists and makers who can confidently deliver a range of high-quality, engaging workshops in specific art or craft skills. We're especially interested in artists working in:

- Printmaking (e.g. lino, screen, monoprint)
- Painting or drawing
- Collage, mixed media, or illustration
- Ceramics or sculpture
- Textile arts (e.g. embroidery, weaving, felting) Bookmaking, paper arts, or zines
- Other accessible creative processes!

Your workshops should:

- Be designed for beginners (no prior experience assumed)
- Include a clear, hands-on creative skill or technique
- Be suitable for a relaxed, drop-in-style group
- Offer a finished piece or process participants can take pride in
- Ideally link to the broader project theme of connection (personal, local, creative)

Who Should Apply?

This opportunity is ideal for artists who:

- Have experience running community or educational arts workshops
- Are passionate about sharing their skills with others
- Can create an inclusive, welcoming environment
- Are organised, reliable, and good communicators
- Are based in West Cumbria or nearby

To apply:

Please submit a detailed CV that outlines relevant experience and a one page cover letter or statement of interest aligned to the brief, alternatively please submit a video with equivalent details via WeTransfer.

Please send your application to jenny@everyonehere.org with Create & Connect in the subject line, by 3rd September 2025 at 11.59pm providing a copy of your public liability insurance and DBS reference number alongside confirmation of availability for interview on the 9th September 2025. Alternative application can be a video outlining your relevant experience sent via wetransfer.com.



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