



REcreate Accelerator

Accelerating artists' and producers' ideas through tailored support, mentorship and paid incubation time.

Intro:

We are excited to be opening applications for our first paid artist development project: REcreate Accelerator.

We know artists and producers need more money, more time and more support!

Summary:

We will select 8 early career creatives - 4 artists and 4 producers - who have the start of an idea, project, show, or concept and need support, skills and time to help

develop it.

We will provide tailored mentorship and paid thinking time.

We will give £500 to each creative to develop their practice however they need.

The project will run for 2 months across January - February 2022.

What do we mean by early career?

We suggest early-career is someone who has 1-3 years experience under their belt.

And is someone who has developed and finished at least one project, production or idea before.

To be eligible for REcreate Accelerator you must:

- Be an artist or producer who is based in the UK.
- Be an artist or producer who would consider themselves to be an early career.
- Have something you want to develop. This could be a show, production, project or concept and can be in any discipline. At REcreate, we mostly work within theatre, dance, live art, musicals, and outdoor contexts.

- At a point in your career where you feel like you need some structured support
- Ideally, but not essentially, be someone who identifies as coming from one of our priority underrepresented target groups:
 - D/deaf or disabled
 - Neurodiverse
 - Queer or LGBTQ+
 - Working Class
 - Caring Responsibilities
 - Black/Brown Global Majority

Why must you have an idea to develop?

Hands-on experience and 'on-the job' learning is a great way to develop your practice.

That's why we want you to have something real that you care about and want to see grow.

If you're an artist, this will likely be your own script, idea or work - but if you're a producer this could be an idea you want to support, a collaboration or project that you believe in.

Tailored support:

We know every artist and producer will have different

experiences and needs.

So this is why we will work with each creative to work out what their personal goals are for REcreate Accelerator and what key skills they'd like to develop.

Think of it like a mini Arts Council England DYCP!

An example of what we think that support might look like:

- Mentorship with the REcreate team to develop a plan and identify key areas of development
- Group workshops on pitching practice, dramaturgy, budgeting and fundraising - all tools needed to get an idea up on its feet and out into the world!
- A session on wellbeing and care as key parts of your practice
- Group networking with industry professionals and other REcreate supported artists

REcreate Accelerator Day:

The program will end in an in-person event on February 26th 2022, (location TBC).

The 8 creatives will come together to pitch their ideas and network with other invited industry professionals.

Applications:

Will open on Thursday 4 November 2021

Will close on Monday 29th November 2021

Applicants will be asked to submit their information, equality and monitoring data and answers to three short questions.

This can be done via Google Form, video or another format of your choice.

The questions are as follows:**Personal Data:**

Name

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Email

Project Name

Questions:

Who are you? (Why you?)

What's the idea? (Why this?)

Why do you need this program now? (Why now?)

Equality & Monitoring

Do you consider yourself to be underrepresented in any of the following ways (choose as many as apply)

- D/deaf or disabled

- Neurodiverse
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We believe this should take no more than 30 minutes to complete.

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to an informal 20 minute chat on Zoom (or another platform if preferred).

This will be a chance to meet the REcreate team, discuss their idea and share more about their practice.

These will happen between 13th December - 14th December 2021

All applicants will be told of the outcome of the program by 20th December.

You can digest this guidance in an alternative format if needed: large text, BSL and an audio version are all available on our website.