

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

Report To: Leisure and Arts Services Committee – 19 April 2004

Report On: Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd. Revenue Support 2004-2005

Report By: Director of Leisure and Arts

Report No: 212-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To submit to the Committee a request for renewal of revenue funding to Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd for the year 2004-2005.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Committee approves the level of grant funding amounting to £254,000 as set out in the Report.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The service charge for the provision of core activities in 2004-2005 amounts to £110,800 and will be contained in a formal management agreement. The funding required in 2004-2005 for previously approved services transferred to Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd amounts to £143,200. Allowance has been made for the foregoing expenditure totalling £254,000 in the 2004-2005 Leisure and Arts Department Revenue Budget.

3.2 The terms and conditions of these payments will be contained within a Management Agreement 2004-2005 between Dundee City Council and Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd offers facilities and programmes of exhibitions, events and workshops which are planned to meet the needs of audiences and artists, which ensure that local needs are met locally and that opportunities for culture, leisure and recreation are readily available to all.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd aims to make its programme of activities accessible to all sections of the community including visitors with disabilities, the elderly and those with small children.

5.2 The Management Agreement 2004-2005 will contain requirements that Dundee Contemporary Arts Ltd practise equal opportunities policies in respect of its dealings with its public and staff.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 Attendance levels continue to run in excess of 300,000 per annum. In addition to the ongoing delivery of visual arts and film activity, Dundee Contemporary Arts has in the last year played a major events development role in Dundee, creating and collaborating on new festival initiatives and events.

6.2 During the year there were exhibitions by Christopher Wool, the first UK solo exhibition by this significant American artist. The exhibition of Scottish artist Clair Barclay coincided with her selection to represent Scotland at the Venice Biennale. The major group show of the year "Plunder" featured over 30 artists. The final show of the year "What I Did this Summer" by

George Shaw featured his extraordinary paintings of playing fields, back lanes and housing estates. The year's gallery programme received high levels of critical acclaim.

- 6.3 The 2004-2005 programme will include Richard Wright who will work in Dundee for four weeks to create the exhibition, Marine Hugonnier of France and Israeli artist Nahum Tevet's first UK exhibition of room-size sculpture installations. Dundee Contemporary Arts will also collaborate with the Fruitmarket Gallery, Edinburgh on an exhibition of work from French collections.
- 6.4 DCA cinemas are performing to audience and income targets. European funding of £11,000 in support of the cinemas' programme has been awarded. The Projection Animation Festival was co-produced and hosted with the support of Dundee City Council, Scottish Screen, SET and the City of Discovery Campaign. Scotland's first international film festival for children and young people will take place in Dundee and Stirling in September 2004, and tour nationally. Dundee Contemporary Arts is also working with young people in all areas of the city to enable them to produce animations for broadcast on Channel 4.
- 6.5 The Community and Education Programme delivered over 300 events for over 5000 participants including activities for families, 7-12 years, teenagers and young adults. Longer term projects involved local groups with particular needs, such as Dundee International Women's Centre, Strathmartine On the Move Group, Whitfield over 55's Group, The Shore, Park Place Nursery and SENSE Scotland. The programme achieved an SAC Award for innovation in visual art education for the second successive year and the ADAPT Trust UK Award for accessibility.
- 6.6 The Print Studio has collaborated on exhibitions with the McManus Galleries, the Apex Hotel in Dundee and the Scottish Poetry Library. An exhibition, major symposium and events programme was held around the opening of Frank Gehry's Maggie's Centre in Dundee, and the UK's first festival of experimental music and moving image was held over three days to near capacity audiences.
- 6.7 A major economic impact evaluation of Dundee Contemporary Arts was carried out and published in June 2003. It found that Dundee Contemporary Arts sustained 74 full-time equivalent jobs and was a major factor in the local economy and in terms of indirect employment.
- 6.8 Major plans for 2004-2005 include:
 - 5 major exhibitions of Scottish and international artists.
 - Channel 4's Ideas Factory activities and events.
 - Craft Factory 2, a multicultural craft event.
 - The ongoing development of Made at Dundee Contemporary Arts print editions and attendance at Glasgow Arts Fair.
 - Completion and implementation of SAC audience development projects.
 - Projection 04 Animation Festival.
 - Discovery – Scotland's first international film festival for children and young people.

7.0 Consultation

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning) have been consulted on this Report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 Background Papers

- 8.1 None

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Appendix 1

DUNDEE CONTEMPORARY ARTS

EXPENDITURE

	Estimated Outturn 2003-04	Budget 2004-05
Staff Costs	644325	656209
Exhibitions Programme	174723	170776
DCA Events	58225	43225
Community and Education	53912	48300
Print Studio	24905	34900
Shop	48031	53858
Central Overheads	93239	96132
Marketing	127246	131939
Audience Development Project – SAC	18630	2070
Development	2500	2000
Cinema	136140	182168
Front of House Overheads	6405	7100
Total DCA Expenditure	1388281	1428677

INCOME

Public Sources

Scottish Arts Council - revenue	350000	350000
Scottish Arts Council - project	16429	0
Dundee City Council	292000	296000
Scottish Screen	55000	51000
University of Dundee	10000	11000
Other Public	51443	50706
Total Public Income	774872	758706

Trading/Other Income

Cinema	183980	187895
Shop	85000	92650
Catalogues	6000	9000
Print Studio	38525	55492
Cafe	99064	108000
Events	49221	43050
Membership Scheme	2500	7500
Sponsorship	47000	96300
Donations/Trusts	58316	50500
Audience Development Project - SAC	18630	2070
Other	25173	27550
Total Trading/Other Income	613409	680007

TOTAL DCA INCOME **1388281** **1438713**

Surplus/(Deficit) **0** **10036**