

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee – 21 June 2004

REPORT ON: Small Project Grants

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 453-2004

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval to award grants to a range of arts and heritage organisations.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee authorise the payment of £1,000.00 for the grants detailed in appendix 1.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The recommended grant awards totalling £1,000.00 can be met from the grants budget within the Leisure and Arts Department's 2004/05 revenue budget. Grants are payable on receipt of a Project Report.

4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The grants awarded reflect a positive contribution to the Local Agenda 21 theme "access to facilities, service, goods and people is not achieved at the expense of the environment and are accessible to all" and "local needs are met locally".

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Particular consideration is given to applications, which prioritise or maximise community involvement, generating interaction within specific groups, communities and organisation.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 Small Projects Grants

Aims of the Scheme

- To assist non-profit organisations undertake short-term leisure and arts projects in Dundee
- To complement the Leisure and Arts Department's priorities and public programme

Assessment Criteria

- The extent to which the project increases public access to leisure and arts opportunities
- The extent to which the project complements, or adds to, already existing

- provision
- The impact of Council support on the viability of the project
- Evidence of ability to deliver the project, with sound organisational and financial management
- Production of a balanced project budget.

7.0 CONSULTATION

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

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 None

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26 MAY 2004

APPENDIX 1

Applicant	Application	Criteria	Cost of Project	Request	Recommend
Art Angel – Workshop/ Exhibition	Art Angel is a registered charity based at Dundee Rep Theatre. This venue based project provides opportunities in art based activities for people who experience mental health problems The proposed project will run from the 7 June to the 23 August 2004 and would offer participants an opportunity to get involved in combined arts workshops including, photography, creative writing, video and art. Part of the project will be to make work to be exhibited at the Dudhope Arts Centre. The workshops will be open to allow participants to give their views, ideas and opinions and the work will be exhibited towards the end of July. A programme of workshops will be sent to possible participants and also to Art Angels partnership groups such as Hearing Voices Network, Little Wing, Tayside Carers Support etc. thus ensuring as wide a choice as possible.	Y	£7,950	£6,000	£500.00

Wasps Artists Studios – Wasps Open Doors	<p>Wasps Ltd. (Workshops and Artists Studio Provision Scotland) is one of Scotland's largest visual artists charities. The organisation provides affordable workspace for 750 artists each year in city, rural and island locations in Scotland as well as offering exclusive discounts on arts materials, new graduate discounts and exhibiting and international exchange opportunities for artists. Wasps currently support artists at Meadow Mill Studios in West Henderson's Wynd. Wasps Open Doors, a National Event, will take place on the weekend of 2nd and 3rd October 2004 with the artists at Meadow Mill opening their workspaces to the public, the aim being to increase public awareness of artists working in the City, link Meadow Mills Studios with the city's burgeoning cultural quarter, raise the profile of visual arts in Dundee amongst a local and national audience and create sale and exhibiting opportunities for Dundee based artists. The Wasps Open Doors is a national initiative with up to 500 artists in Aberdeen, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Nairn, Shetland, Selkirk, Alloa, Irvine and Paisley opening their studios to the public at the same time. The Open Doors event was first run in 2002 and last years event attracted over a third more visitors than the inaugural year with a third of the artists participating in the event benefiting from the weekend by way of sales, commissions and exhibitions.</p>	Y	£41,800	£1,000	£500
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