

## **Let's make a noise!**

'Let's make a noise' is a project to be based at Custom House, Middlesbrough Myplace, to work with a group of up to 10 young people, aged 14-17 years, who may be known to Middlesbrough Youth Offending Service, or are considered to be at risk of offending, or are NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training), or are otherwise at risk of getting off to a bad start in life.

LMAN aims to support these challenging and vulnerable young people to help them make better choices, discover more positive ways to enjoy themselves, gain some practical and some social skills (including better self-management and reflectivity), gain some confidence, and also some of them will achieve Bronze Arts Award, which will be factored in from the start.

LMAN intends to achieve these outcomes by engaging the young people in carefully designed and thoughtfully delivered programmes of creative activity, which will be generally arts based, and which will particularly feature music; LMAN is funded by the Youth Music Foundation.

A Music Leader is required to be the lead artist on the project, which will include liaising with Myplace personnel (Myplace are hosting the project and are the grant-holders), with Tees Valley Arts (who will manage and oversee the delivery of the project, and will line-manage the ML), and with the various referring agencies; the ML will also lead on all Arts Award activity, so the ML will need to either already be a trained Bronze/ Silver AA adviser, or must undertake such training immediately on appointment. The ML will support the group throughout, will identify any particular musical or other artform interests the group or individuals within it have, and will liaise with TVA about bringing in other sessional musicians/ artists.

Recruitment and selection of suitable young people will be the responsibility of the various referring agencies, as will retention once the project is up and running, but the ML will be required to actively liaise with all relevant personnel and organisations, and to keep them informed of non-attendance and other behavioural issues which are likely to lead to poor outcomes for the young people.

The ML will also contribute to the staff development of the support workers, supporting them in gaining an understanding of creative and music based approaches to working with challenging young people, and in gaining some relevant practical skills; some of the overall allocation of sessions may be dedicated to staff training – to be agreed with TVA.

Sessions with the young people will take place on **Monday and Wednesday afternoons, 1.30-3.30pm**, in term time, with some additional sessions to be timetabled in consultation with all relevant parties; such additional sessions might be eg evenings, or weekends, or intensively over school holidays, all to be agreed.

At each session, besides the ML, there will be a member of Myplace personnel, and a tutor from Learning Works, plus (at 21 sessions) there will be a sessional artist (eg other musician or an artist in visual arts, film-making, photography, print-making, sculpture, creative writing, drama, dance etc).

**It is intended that activity should begin as soon as possible after selection, either late November or early December; activity will finish July 2014.**

At the start of the project there will be a schedule of review meetings agreed, to include all key stakeholders, throughout the life of the project.

**Fees:**

- Music Leader – 48 sessions @ £120 per session, including preparation etc = £5760
- Music Leader – 9 days of non-contact time, to include eg meetings, planning, risk assessment, Arts Award management, liaison as outlined, evaluation and monitoring, reporting to TVA etc, all as directed by TVA @ £150 per day = £1350

**Thus total fee to ML = £7110**

ML will be responsible for their own tax and national insurance etc

Please note there is also a budget held by TVA which includes:

- 21 sessions x freelance artists (artforms to be agreed with participants as far as possible and practicable)/ musicians etc @ £135 per session
- Materials budget – eg arts materials, instruments, travel to eg music centres, software - £1200
- Arts Award trip and moderation fee - £600

The ML will need to agree allocation of this budget with TVA.