

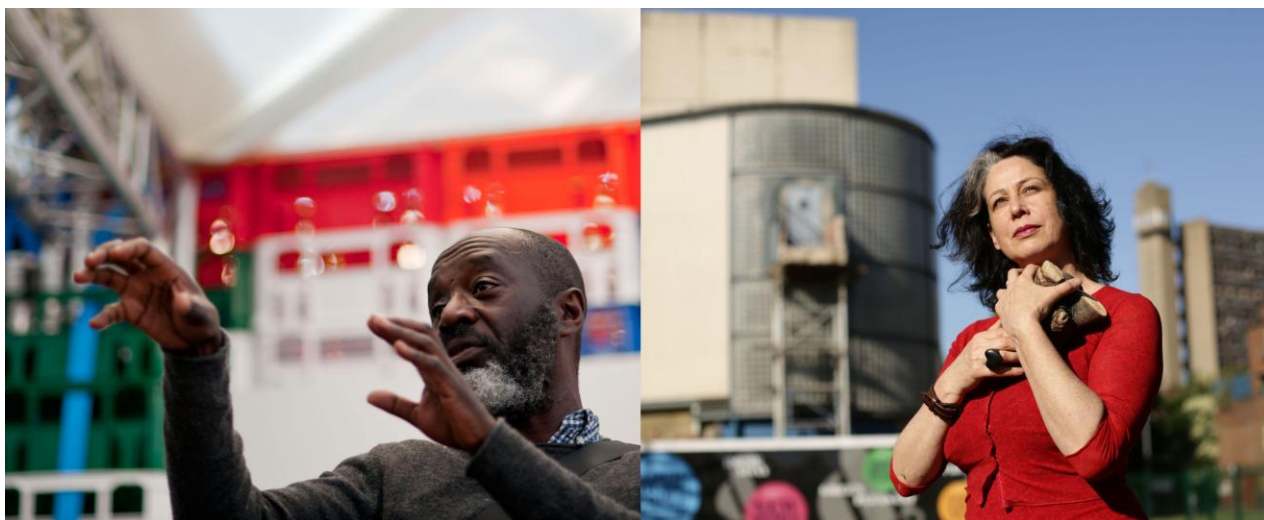
## Guidance for expressions of interest: InTRANSIT Festival of Arts 2016

### About the Festival

InTRANSIT Festival of Arts is an annual festival of site responsive art and performance from the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. The festival champions work that is immediate and relevant, encouraging the involvement of local people and places in the creation of new work in the Royal Borough.

Now in its tenth year, the festival celebrates the changing urban landscape, making use of public and private spaces throughout the borough. We are looking to commission or support a number of outstanding new site responsive projects for the 2016 festival, which takes place in June across Kensington and Chelsea. Last year's programme featured co-productions and work from The National Trust, V&A, Kensington Palace, The Design Museum, The London Festival of Architecture, Akala, You&Me Architecture, USE Architects, The Working Party Theatre Company, Chelsea Arts Collective, and Brighton and Berlin-based Neofuturist Collective.

The programme is curated to provide invaluable opportunities for emerging talent, but also to develop new collaborations with established artists from Britain and abroad. Artists and organisers work together to bring the streets and less-familiar spaces of Kensington and Chelsea alive each summer. InTRANSIT 2016 runs from Friday 17 to Sunday 26 June. You can find out more about the InTRANSIT Festival [here](#)



Photos: InTRANSIT 2015: Architect Jo Hagan with his Art House © Caroline Gervay\_Natasha Langridge with Memoirs Of A Tree © Yui MokIn

### **What types of work do we support?**

This is a call-out to artists and companies from any discipline, who are passionate about working beyond conventional theatre and gallery settings.

InTRANSIT is a site-responsive, or site-relevant, festival looking to present work, which is either relevant to, or inspired by, spaces, architecture and society. For example, work could be in response to the particular site it is to be performed in, or, alternatively, to current events and issues, then performed in a relevant setting. Artists can propose work to take place anywhere within the borough. We are particularly interested in work that goes beyond the conventions of its own genre and is genuinely risk taking. The festival is increasingly renowned for producing and supporting work which more traditional festivals might not be willing or able to consider. We can help you place the work within the borough, advising and supporting you on logistical or licensing issues, and finding collaborators and local partners. InTRANSIT is an initiative of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, and all work should also support the aims of the borough's Arts and Culture Strategy.

### **The theme for 2016 is 'Strange Bedfellows: The Attraction of Opposites'**

We are looking for proposals that explore the interplay between two seemingly opposing elements. For instance, productions that unite two different art forms, communities or ideas, or that explore the attraction of opposites.

At the end of this document are a few miscellaneous facts about the Borough, which might help illustrate this theme.

### **Funding**

Between £500 and £5,000 grant funding may be invested in an individual commission, and projects that already have, or could bring in, additional funding from other sources will be at an advantage. We are also keen to commission work that will have a life beyond its iteration in the festival. InTRANSIT Festival of Arts 2016 runs from Friday 19 to Sunday 26 June.

### **How to submit an expression of interest**

Please complete our online application form including links to any relevant work and an outline of additional funding sources you might be able to draw on. We are not necessarily looking for detailed proposals at this stage, just ideas and potential.

### **Deadline**

The deadline for submissions is 12 noon on Monday 15 February 2016. Expressions of interest will be shortlisted by Thursday 3 March. Shortlisted artists will then be given up to four weeks to further develop their idea with the curators before the final selection on Thursday 31 March. You can access the online application form [here](#)

**A miscellany on the theme of InTRANSIT 2016 and major anniversaries in the borough**

“Misery acquaints a man with *strange bedfellows*. I will here shroud till the dregs of the storm be past.” – William Shakespeare, *The Tempest*

40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the origins of Punk in London on the King’s Road and under the Westway

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the commissioning of Trellick Tower.