

21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

Young People on Arts Boards Training Programme



# A unique opportunity to join the board of a Birmingham arts organisation

**Have you ever wanted to have a say about the arts in Birmingham? Would you like the opportunity to sit on the board of a Birmingham arts organisation as a company director and a charity trustee?**

Arts organisations across the city have said that they would like young people aged 18–25 to become members of their management boards. They want to hear the views of young people and give them a real say in the running of their organisations.

Applications are now open for young people to take part in a weekend designed to prepare them for the responsibilities which being a member of a board entails. Upon completion of the course young people will be placed with an arts organisation they have an interest in and provided with a mentor, an experienced member of the board, who will guide them through their first year with the organisation.

The dates are Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at Birmingham Rep.

Overnight hotel accommodation and all meals and refreshments will be provided.

Priority will be given to young people living or studying in Birmingham.

By the end of the weekend participants will have:

- learned about the way in which arts organisations are managed
- understood the roles and responsibilities of board members
- heard about the support structures available to new board members
- found out about arts organisations that seek to recruit young people to their boards

Please find enclosed an application form. If you are interested in applying please return it to:

**Steve Ball**  
Associate Director  
Birmingham Repertory Theatre  
Centenary Square  
Birmingham B1 2EP

The deadline for applications is 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020 and a recruitment workshop will be held w/b 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020. I hope that you will consider making an important contribution to the cultural life of the city.

For enquiries contact Steve Ball on 0121 245 2091  
[steve.ball@birmingham-rep.co.uk](mailto:steve.ball@birmingham-rep.co.uk)

# APPLICATION FORM

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Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
Tel \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently (please cross)

full-time student       part-time student

What are you studying?

employed full-time       employed part-time       self-employed  
 unemployed      If employed, what is your work? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any further or higher education qualifications, if so what?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please write a few sentences about your previous experience of taking part in arts activities

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please state why would you like to join the board of an arts organisation

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If necessary continue on a separate sheet (up to one A4 page maximum), ensuring you include your name at the top.

We hope that participants will stay overnight at the hotel.  
If selected will you require overnight accommodation on  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November?       Yes       No

Do you have any dietary requirements? (e.g. vegetarian)       Yes       No  
If yes please state \_\_\_\_\_

I would describe my ethnic origin as (please cross)

White       Mixed-race       Asian or Asian British       Chinese  
 Black or Black British       Other ethnic group \_\_\_\_\_

I am (please cross)       Male       Female       Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you consider yourself to have a disability       Yes       No

If yes do you need any support? \_\_\_\_\_