



YOUNG NORFOLK ARTS FESTIVAL

27th JUNE to 6th JULY 2014

INVITATION

Dear Head,

I am writing to invite your school to be involved in the second Young Norfolk Arts Festival which takes place from 27th June – 6th July 2014. A pilot festival was held in 2013 which was successful and we seek to build on that with a festival which reaches out to more young people in our county.

WHAT IS IT?

- The Young Norfolk Arts Festival is a varied arts platform to provide artistic and cultural opportunities for young people of all ages in venues across the county at a time of the academic year when there is scope for creative projects.
- Under the guidance of a federation of partner organisations led by Norwich School, young people will be involved in organising, performing and watching an exciting programme of artistic events; their families and teachers are welcome to be involved, too!
- The programme is extensive, including opportunities for drama, art, classical and contemporary music, dance and the spoken word.

The aims are as follows:

- Profile the cultural opportunities available to young people both in the city of Norwich and throughout the county of Norfolk;
- Give young people different platforms for performance, organisation and attendance;
- Enable young people to learn and reinforce a variety of educational and life skills through participation in creative activity;
- Bring young people from diverse backgrounds together.

HOW CAN MY SCHOOL GET INVOLVED?

There are two ways to get involved:

- ✓ On the enclosed sheet there is a list of activities being organised by the YNAF core partners to which you can sign up to be involved, either as participants or members of the audience. There are opportunities both at primary and secondary level. We will look to incorporate those schools which are interested in the various events.
- ✓ If you are already involved in a creative project which you would like to be included in the 2014 Young Norfolk Arts Festival listings, please use the relevant section of the reply form to state the nature of the project. If appropriate, the Festival can help to find a venue for a project which you would like to put on.

WHAT ABOUT ARTS AWARD?

Young people working towards their Arts Awards (a qualification which inspires young people to take part in the arts) will find many events which will help them to achieve their goals. Further specific information can be provided by the Festival Co-ordinator on request.

WHAT IS THE SITUATION WITH FUNDING?

Most of the opportunities are free at the point of delivery. Those that will include a participation cost are marked, as are the few opportunities which are still subject to funding confirmation.

WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

If you are interested in signing your school up for involvement in the Young Norfolk Arts Festival, please return the form by 7 March 2014 to:

Lucy Farrant, YNAF Coordinator, 71a the Close, Norwich, NR1 4DD

Further information about the Festival and a copy of this correspondence is available at www.ynaf.org.uk. Further questions should be directed to Lucy Farrant at enquiries@ynaf.org.uk.

I very much look to hearing from you and look forward to an explosion of creativity for the young people of Norfolk in the summer.

Yours sincerely,



Steffan Griffiths
Committee Chairman of Young Norfolk Arts Festival

