

THE ANCHOR CENTRE

Commission 1

Background

Grampian Hospitals Art Trust (GHAT) is committed to ensuring access to art for all by commissioning professional artists to deliver quality projects within challenging public healthcare settings and undertaking continuous action research within the arts and wellbeing sector. We have created the only commissioning, contemporary arts space to be found in an acute hospital in Britain with unique opening hours for a gallery - 24/7. GHAT strives to highlight culture as a key component of wellbeing and is a sector leader in developing bespoke arts projects for people visiting, working or utilising the services within hospitals and healthcare.

The ANCHOR Centre

In June 2014, the Scottish Government announced an investment for 2 new health facility on the Foresterhill Health Campus in Aberdeen. The plans included a new hospital to replace the existing Aberdeen Maternity Hospital, with the inclusion of breast screening, breast surgery and gynaecology services, as well as a centre for out-patient and day-patient oncology and haematology services. This commission is one of four for The ANCHOR Centre.

Following a public consultation exercise in 2015, it was decided that the new facility would be **The ANCHOR Centre** in line with the 'ANCHOR' brand (Aberdeen and North Centre for Haematology, Oncology and Radiotherapy) which has been in use for over 20 years.

The Centre will bring together the following services:

- Oncology day-patients and out-patients
- Haematology day-patients and out-patients
- Pharmacy
- Research and Teaching Facilities
- Non-Clinical Support Services
- Radiotherapy

This new centre will be located at the south of the east end of the Foresterhill Health Campus, adjoining to the existing Radiotherapy Centre to create a single facility for all patients using Haematology, Oncology and Radiotherapy day- and out-patient services.

Key project facts:

- The centre will be around 5,500m² in size.
- The centre will open for patients May 2023.
- There will be around 65,000 out-patients using the centre each year, with approximately 250 patients attending each day for care or treatment.

GHAT have been working with NHS Grampian to deliver the arts and environment programme for The ANCHOR Centre. An Arts and Environment strategy has developed through engagement with the stakeholders with the Aim

To create a well-designed, person centred and positive visual environment for patients, staff and visitors.

The Brief:

GHAT is seeking an individual who can demonstrate a strong record of participatory visual arts practice with a background in public commissions. The role of the artist will be to work with GHAT and NHS Grampian to create artwork for the new The ANCHOR Centre for the following locations:

- Atrium
- Stairwells
- Lift lobbies
- A site specific work outside the entrance of the facility

All work must be manufactured and installed by January 2023.

The Artist will work closely with NHSG staff and patient groups to:

- Integrate artwork into the full environmental design linking architecture, interior design and wayfinding;
- Create artwork which will sustain the interest of viewers and that will not readily date and which retains interest on repeated viewing;
- Create artwork which is visually interesting, relevant and promotes a positive sense of wellbeing;
- Make effective use of links with the organisations and groups in the immediate area.

The project will be managed by the GHAT Senior Manager Projects with support from a dedicated Project Assistant.

Main tasks for this brief:

The Artist will work with GHAT to prioritise the following tasks.

- Deliver workshops and consultation sessions to NHS Grampian services, patient groups and funders which will inform the design of the artwork
- Liaise with the Project Manager to ensure all artwork materials and installation is compliant with NHS Grampian Health and Safety and Infection Control policies
- Engage with Interior Design Strategy and the Arts and Environment Strategy
- Produce fully costed designs which will be signed off by NHS Grampian and GHAT
- Work with the other commissioned artists on site
- Source manufacturers
- Timetable installation of artworks
- Agreeing and coordinating infrastructure arrangements

Budget:

The budget will include

- the artists fee
- all travel for site visits and workshops/consultations
- all materials and expenses
- fabrication and installation costs
- Infrastructure costs for installation

The budget for this brief is **£150,000 (including VAT)** payable in a pattern to be agreed between GHAT and the artist.

Supporting Material**The ANCHOR Centre Arts and Environment Strategy**

<https://www.ghat-art.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Anchor-Centre-Art-Strategy-version-22-Sept-21-draft-TG.3.pdf>

Interior Design Strategy

<https://www.ghat-art.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/ANCHOR-Interior-Design-Strategy-June-2018.pdf>

The ANCHOR Centre website

<https://www.bairdanchor.org/the-anchor-centre/>

The ANCHOR Centre virtual fly through

<https://youtu.be/ltgCCfQFjMo>

Working for Grampian Hospitals Art Trust

GHAT is based in Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen. Some of the team are based in the office and others work within their project site such as the Artroom Artists. This post will be based in the main GHAT office of Aberdeen Royal Infirmary.

At present there are 14 staff members with another 10 volunteers who support the delivery of our core programme of activity.

GHAT is an independent charity led by a board of 9 Trustees. The Trustees are responsible for the governance and strategic development of the charity. More can be seen at www.ghat-art.org.uk

Application process:

Artists are invited to send a project proposal (maximum 2 pages) outlining how they would approach this project, showing details of;

Methodology

Stakeholder engagement

Budget allocation

Please include a CV and visual documentation of previous work that demonstrates any relevant creative, technical or design skills.

All supporting material should be clearly marked with your name. Anything over 5mb please send by WeTransfer.

Please give the name of two referees.

Applications are to be submitted via email to tamsin.greenlaw@nhs.scot

Deadline: Fri 21st January 2022

Interview: Wed 9th February 2022

Contact for this opportunity is

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