



THE BAIRD FAMILY HOSPITAL

Commission – Courtyards Phase 1 Consultation and Designs

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 Baird Family Hospital

In June 2014, the Scottish Government announced an investment for a 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 separate centre for out-patient and day-patient oncology and haematology services.

Following a public consultation exercise in 2015, it was decided that the new facility would be called **The Baird Family Hospital** in recognition of the contribution made to women's health in the North East and beyond by the Baird family.

The hospital will include all of the services currently provided at Aberdeen Maternity Hospital (AMH) as well as other clinical services which are currently located elsewhere on the Foresterhill site:

- Maternity Services including a Community Maternity Unit
- Gynaecology Services
- Breast Services
- Neonatology Services
- Aberdeen Centre for Reproductive Medicine
- Radiology Services
- Operating Theatres
- Research and Teaching Facilities
- Non-Clinical Support Services

The hospital will be located towards the west of the Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital (RACH). There will be physical connections from the new hospital to both RACH and to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary (ARI).

Key project facts:

- The hospital will be around 26,000m² in size, with over 1,000 rooms.
- The hospital will have physical links into Aberdeen Royal Infirmary and Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital to allow easy transfer for patients.
- The hospital will open for patients in March 2024.

GHAT have been working with NHS Grampian to deliver the arts and environment programme for both facilities. 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:

The project will be delivered in 2 phases. Phase 1 will deliver the consultation and fully costed designs. Phase 2 will deliver the manufacture and installation of all artwork.

The Artist awarded Phase 1 of the commission will be expected to deliver Phase 2. The fully costed designs from the Phase 1 Brief will go towards supporting the final fundraising target of the overall commission.

GHAT is seeking applicants who can demonstrate strong visual art and design skills, with a practice with a background in horticulture and landscaping. They will also require a background in consultation methods which include the stakeholders in the design of the work. The role of the artist will be to work with GHAT and NHS Grampian to create artwork for the Baird Family Hospitals 6 external courtyards. The some of the courtyards will be fully accessible while others will closed to public access however all will be visible from other parts of the building.

These courtyards are focal points for the users of the building, giving a view of the outside. The aim of this commission is the creation of engaging and accessible outside spaces.

All work must be manufactured and installed by December 2023.

The Artist will work closely with NHSG staff, public representatives 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.

Experience:

GHAT is looking for someone who is an arts graduate with at least two years' experience, and who has gardening or horticulture and landscaping as a key component of their art practise.

Desired skills:

1. Knowledge of contemporary arts practice at a national and international level.
2. Knowledge of the skills required to deliver a socially engaged participatory project
3. Experience in landscaping and knowledge of horticulture

Main tasks for this brief:

Phase 1 - The Artist will work with GHAT to prioritise the following tasks.

- Deliver workshops and public consultation sessions with 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

Phase 2 - The Artist will work with GHAT to prioritise the following tasks.

- Source manufacturers
- Liaise with manufacturers and GHAT Project Manager
- Timetable installation of artwork
- Agreeing and coordinating infrastructure arrangements

Budget:

Phase 1 - The budget will include

- the artists fee for consultation and design
- all travel for site visits and workshops/consultations

The budget for this brief (Phase 1) is **£7500 (including VAT)** payable in a pattern to be agreed between GHAT and the artist.

There is a budget of up to £1000 for workshop materials and expenses.

Phase 2 - The budget will include

- the artists fee
- all materials and expenses
- manufacture, fabrication and installation
- Any additional infrastructure costs due to the construction company created by the installation of the artwork

The final fundraising target for Phase 2 is **£112,000 (including VAT)**.

Supporting Material

The Baird Family Hospital Arts and Environment Strategy

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

Interior Design Strategy

<https://www.ghat-art.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Baird-Interior-Design-updated-November-2018.pdf>

The Baird Family Hospital website

<https://www.bairdanchor.org/the-baird-family-hospital-2/>

The Baird Family Hospital virtual fly through

<https://youtu.be/mvPkJHjFE80>

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 14 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

Applications must 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: Thursday 11th August 2022 – 5pm

Interview: Thursday 1st September 2022

Contact for this opportunity is

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