Foresterhill: Past, Present and Future
Micro Commission Artist Brief

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.

Project Overview: Foresterhill: Past, Present and Future.
Four emerging artists based in the North East of Scotland will be commissioned to work on a project with Lead Artist, Adrian Reid, and NHS Grampian Archives to respond to the current building work at the Foresterhill Health Campus. They will be engaged to look at the long heritage of the Foresterhill Site and the community it serves, and the legacy of the Campus.

Foresterhill Health Campus has over 100 years of history from the conception of the Joint Hospitals Scheme through to the opening of The Baird Family Hospital in March 2024. Since the laying of the foundation stone of Aberdeen Royal Infirmary in 1928, the site has expanded with new hospitals and teaching facilities serving the whole of the North East of Scotland, Orkney and Shetland. By the end of the last century Foresterhill became the biggest hospital campus in Europe with over 20,000 people onsite on a daily basis.

There are currently four new buildings in development, The Baird Family Hospital, The ANCHOR Centre, The Bio Hub and the Mortuary. Future proposed building work will include the new National Trauma Centre building, and work on the current Maternity Hospital.

Brief:
GHAT has a track record of supporting new graduates reach their potential and is seeking artists based in the North East of Scotland who are in the early stages of the career. Successful candidates will gain experience of developing a collaborative exhibition and working in a public gallery based in a busy healthcare setting. The role of the Artist will be to work with Lead Artist Adrian Reid and 3 other artists to create a new exhibition in The Suttie Arts Space and elsewhere onsite. The Artist will work closely with Lead Artist and NHS Grampian Archives material. The format of the exhibition will be discussed and agreed with the Snr Manager Projects and Exhibitions in the development stage of the project.

Experience:
GHAT is looking for someone who is an arts graduate who graduated between 2019 and 2022, and currently lives in the Grampian or Moray regions of Scotland.

Exhibition Duration: February 2023- May 2023

Fee: £1000 (fee & travel costs)

There is an overall budget of £4000 for the production and installation costs of this project.

This project has been funded by Aberdeen City Council.

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 17 staff members with another 5 volunteers who support the delivery of our core programme of activity.

GHAT is and independent charity lead 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 cover letter explaining their practice, their CV and visual documentation of previous work that demonstrates any relevant creative, technical or design skills (maximum 2 pages)

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 with '**Foresterhill Micro Commission'** in the subject line to tamsin.greenlaw@nhs.scot

Deadline: Thursday 10th November - 5pm

Contact for this opportunity is

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