

WE ARE FUELLED BY YOUTH

In partnership with



Fuelled By Youth are looking to commission one or more artists to produce new work in response to the boxing community and / or *Boxing Clever* venue. This is an opportunity for someone to portray the beauty, poetic nature and relatability of the sport.

Why does this project interest you?

There are lots of stereotypes associated with boxing and we want someone to break these down - taking a closer look at the reality of the boxing community and exposing the emotional side of the sport.

We're inspired by the different views and perspectives within boxing, and interested to see how their interpretation can influence your artwork. We ask you to consider how media and society view the sport, and the reality of how impactful boxing can really be.

Tell us about what inspires YOU as a creative individual!

We are looking for an individual who is willing to be inspired, learn and indulge themselves in the world of boxing. We want the response and outcome to be innovative, inclusive, youth-centred and open to interpretation. The commissioned artist/s will need to be open to getting to know, and working with, the boxing space and the community of young people who use it.

Tell us what motivates you in your day to day life?

Why do you do what you do?

Why are you the right artist/s for this commission?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR ARTISTS

The Fuelled by Youth (FBY) team seeks to commission one or more artists to produce a new work which directly responds to boxing. The team welcomes applications from artists working across both traditional and non-traditional artforms. This includes the diverse breadth of creative practices including visual arts, sound art, film and video, immersive / new technologies, virtual reality, augmented reality, multi / cross art forms, performance and live events, and music.

The final artwork should be designed for presentation within the boxing venue. It may also be considered for presentation within other public spaces.

KEY TASKS

With support from Offset Projects and the FBY team, the successful artist/s will be required to carry out the following:

- Propose and facilitate a relevant and engaging approach to get to know, consult and / or collaborate with the boxing youth community.
- Respond directly and creatively to the venue, boxing community, and the sport.
- Work closely with Offset Projects, the FBY team, project partners and stakeholders.
- Collate and share initial ideas with the FBY team and Offset Projects and present one or more proposals to the boxing community within an agreed timeframe.
- Seek feedback from the boxing youth community.
- Support documentation and evaluation as required.
- Produce the final work ready for display / presentation.
- Present / share the final work with project teams, partners and the wider boxing community at a final event in July 2024 - details to be agreed.

KEY DATES

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| Deadline for applications: | 5pm, Sunday 17 December 2023 |
| Interviews: | January / February 2024 |
| Timescale for all engagement / production of work: | February - July 2024 |
| Commission end date: | July 2024 |

FEE

The total fee is £10,000 inclusive of VAT and all artists fees, travel, accommodation, materials, production costs and subsistence.

DBS CHECK & INSURANCE

The successful artist/s must have public liability insurance to cover the activities they undertake with the public. Before working with young people, the selected artist/s will be required to carry out their own basic DBS Check.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply email hello@offsetprojects.org.uk ensuring to include **Boxing Commission** in your email subject line. Please include a cover letter and the following:

- A 300-word statement about you and your work
- A separate 400-word statement about how you will approach the commission including how you propose consulting and collaborating with the boxing youth community.
- Max. 2 web links i.e. website, Instagram, online portfolio etc.
- A max. of 5 images

The FBY team welcomes video applications. If choosing to submit a video application please keep to a max. of 3 minutes in length.

Once you have submitted your application please ensure that you complete a **Recruitment Monitoring Form**. This supports Offset Projects to ensure that as an organisation we remain open and inclusive. The information you share is anonymised and managed separately from your application. Shortlisted artists will be invited for interview and asked to supply two references. At least one must have worked with you in a similar capacity within the past 2 years.

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ABOUT THE PROJECT PARTNERS

Offset Projects - *Fuelled By Youth* is managed by Offset Projects. With a focus on the local, regional, and national perspective of youth communities, and inspired by the entrepreneurship, innovation, and imagination of under 25s Offset Projects champions youth voice and empowers young leaders. Through connecting youth communities with creative people Offset uses the arts as a means to amplify youth opinion and reimagine collaborative arts practice.

Boxing Clever - Boxing Clever is an early intervention and prevention programme set up in 2022 by PC Adrian Cafe. Boxing and personal development sessions support young people to develop key social and emotional skills - self discipline; self esteem; and resilience; which better equips individuals to manage life's challenges. Alongside working with a passionate team of qualified coaches, young people also have access to a purpose built gym and equipment, workshops, and 1:1 sessions.

