



## Rape Crisis Arts Project (Short brief)

We are inviting interest from artists to work on the delivery of peer education project, a 6 month arts programme (February 2021 – July 2021) delivered by Helix Arts in partnership with Rape Crisis Tyneside and Northumberland.

Working with young people Helix Arts artists and young people will devise a bespoke drama piece exploring exploitation and abuse within relationships, especially since Covid-19. Once this new work is written, young people will perform the piece to their peers. Peer performers will also undergo a training programme (via RCTN) to lead workshops based on themes and become workshop facilitators to tour schools.

We seek to appoint a Lead Artist who is a skilled drama practitioner, who has experience in working collaboratively with young people to co-create a piece of performance. The artist would have experience of working in socially engaged settings with young people. The group of young people will be part of the whole development process from initial idea and conception to performance. We are looking for an artist who has experience with collaborative projects of this nature. Experience of issue based work around exploitation and/or abuse within relationships would be beneficial.

We would like an artist with multidisciplinary experience, as we will have to be flexible in the way we present the work. Working with young people, the artist will devise a bespoke drama piece exploring exploitation and abuse within relationships, especially since Covid-19.

The artist will be working with a group of young people aged 14-18 in up to 20 x 90 minute sessions (RCTN lead a proportion of the 20 sessions). The artist will work alongside participants to help them engage with and explore within the artist's creative practice. Within each workshop the artist and participants will be supported by peer education staff from Rape Crisis who have experience of scripting work with young people on these topics.

**Budget:**

**Artist fee: £ 3,500**

There is an additional production and materials budget to support the project as agreed with partners.

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