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ANNOUNCING CCA X JERWOOD = SUPPORTS

CCA Derry~Londonderry expands programme of artist support thanks to Jerwood Developing Artist Fund.

CCA Derry~Londonderry is honoured to be one of the beneficiaries of the Jerwood Developing Artist Fund. Entitled CCA x Jerwood = Supports, this two-year development programme a support for early career artists and curators will begin in 2023.

CCA joins 15 other programmes across the UK as part of Jerwood Arts' £1million of funding for leading arts organisations to delivery transformative programmes tailored to what early-career artists, curators and producers need now. You can read more about Jerwood Arts and the Developing Artist Programme at jerwoodarts.org.

Lilli Geissendorfer, Director of Jerwood Arts, said:

"We are delighted to be supporting CCA to resource such a critical range of inclusive developmental activities for early-career visual artists and curators across Northern Ireland over the next two years. It's clear the pathways and networks will provide important support and confidence to artists enabling them to build their networks and develop more sustainable careers for the long-term."

Catherine Hemelryk, Director of Centre for Contemporary Art Derry~Londonderry, said:

"We are thrilled to be part of the prestigious Jerwood Developing Artists programme. This fund is vital in enabling us to build upon our previous work supporting artists and significantly expand our activity at a time of urgent need for artists in the north. We hope this fund will boost the careers not only of artists working today, but future generations too through much-needed research and development that will feed into Northern Ireland-wide strategies."

CCA x Jerwood = Supports was developed by CCA with Researcher Jane Morrow who will be working with CCA over the two-year period that will scope the current provision available for artists in the north. We will be talking to artists about their realities and needs to help shape longer-term artist support in our region.

The programme will begin in January and will include a combination of short training courses, mentoring, crits, surgeries, application feedback and other resources. The programme provides access support for artists that need it to reduce barriers to participation, and includes paid opportunities for artists to take risks and make experimental ideas a reality.

The full list of organisations:

[Another Route](#), Bradford Producing Hub, CCA Derry~Londonderry, [Derby Theatre and In Good Company \(IGC\)](#), Derby Theatre and IGC Independent Producer Residencies, [Dundee Contemporary Arts \(DCA\)](#), [Glyndebourne](#), [HOME \(Greater Manchester Arts Centre\)](#), [Leeds Playhouse](#), MAYK Theatre CIC, [Mediale](#), [New Diorama Theatre \(NDT\)](#), [Outburst Arts](#), [Prime Cut Productions](#), [Somerset House Studios](#), [Theatre Royal Plymouth \(TRP\)](#), [Young Vic](#).

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Opening times: Tuesday–Saturday noon–6pm. Free admission

About CCA Derry~Londonderry: The Centre for Contemporary Art (CCA) is a publicly funded space within the historic city walls of Derry~Londonderry. CCA creates opportunities for audiences to experience ambitious, experimental and engaging art and for emerging artists to develop successful careers. CCA fosters a wide range of artistic, curatorial and critical practices through five programme streams: research and production, exhibition-making, public programmes, publishing and residencies.

CCA was a Finalist in Art Fund Museum of the Year 2021, the largest museum prize in the world. CCA was recognised for its resilience and adaptability throughout the pandemic, and their continued effort to support audiences and artists including creating paid opportunities for artists and freelancers when they needed it most.

CCA is a member of Plus Tate: Plus Tate is a network, which comprises 35 cultural institutions – including the Tate galleries – that have strong artistic vision, a focus on contemporary art, outstanding public programming and a commitment to local community engagement through art. Plus Tate aims to support the development of the visual arts across the UK.

About Jerwood Arts: The Jerwood Developing Artists Fund is a dedicated fund from Jerwood Arts to support arts organisations to deliver transformative early-career artist development programmes across the UK.

Jerwood Arts is the leading independent funder dedicated to supporting early-career UK artists, curators and producers to develop and thrive. We enable transformative opportunities for individuals across art forms, supporting imaginative awards, bursaries, fellowships, projects, programmes and commissions. We are committed to supporting artistic freedom of expression and being as inclusive as possible across all our work. We present new work and bring people from across the arts together through our exhibitions and events at Jerwood Space, London, as well as across the UK and online.

jerwoodarts.org

Safety: CCA has a range of safety measures to ensure staff and visitors can enjoy exhibitions with the knowledge that every precaution is taken. This includes hand sanitisers at entrances and exits and heightened cleaning schedules. All who are able to wear a mask are invited to do so and a dedicated isolation room is available in the event of the onset of symptoms.

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