

## Call for Transition Group Members, Black Lives Matter, August 2020 | CVAN South East

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### Introduction

As part of our commitment to Black Lives Matter, CVAN South East seeks to form a transition group to develop a time-oriented action plan. This temporary group will convene for approximately three meetings to guide the network through a process of change, strengthening our position on social justice and equity in the visual arts as an anti-racist network. The group will be able to recommend lasting changes to the structure of our network and will ensure that diverse voices are represented in the decision making around this important process.

### Composition of the Transition Group

We are looking to form a transition group of between five and seven people, which will include two members of CVAN South East's Steering Group.

We invite interest in the remaining positions on the group from individuals with a range of expertise and lived experience in relation to social justice and anti-racism in the visual arts, whether you are currently working within an organisation or self-employed/independent.

We particularly encourage people based in the South East region, or with a record of working within the region or with our network partners, to apply. The membership of the group will be monitored across a range of protected characteristics, including ethnicity, disability, gender, age and sexual orientation.

### Specifications

The purpose of this role is to provide insight on social justice, equity and anti-racism in the visual arts in the South East region and to help CVAN South East to deliver a time-oriented action plan. The commitment of the role will require reading papers and attending meetings via Zoom. We anticipate three meetings between September and December 2020.

The requirements for the role are:

- A commitment to social justice and anti-racism in the visual arts
- The ability to contribute an independent voice informed by direct experience
- Knowledge of the visual arts ecology in the region

### Expenses

Independent Transition Group members may claim a loss of earnings allowance of £30 per hour to attend the online meetings.

### **Expressions of Interest**

If you are interested in joining this group and feel that you are suitable for the role, then we would really like to hear from you. Please apply by emailing a short bio and statement (each approx. 200 words), explaining why you are interested in being involved, to Oliver Sumner, Manager, CVAN South East, [oliver.sumner@modernartoxford.org.uk](mailto:oliver.sumner@modernartoxford.org.uk) by **12noon Monday 7th September 2020**. Please also contact this address if you have any queries.

### **About CVAN South East**

CVAN South East is a network of organisations across the visual arts sector in the South East region of England. It aims to be an effective network for the sector in this region by working in partnership on strategic projects and programmes, and by sharing learning and information to maximise expertise and creative thinking.

The network is concerned with developing critically engaged art practice. Beyond the membership it is dedicated to promoting a visual arts ecology that thrives on the interdependence of many stakeholders, including artists and art professionals, local government, higher education, not-for-profit and commercial sectors.

The current partners in the network are Aspex Gallery, A Woman's Place Projects, Blast Theory, Brighton CCA, Cement Fields, Creative Folkestone, Creative Future, De La Warr Pavilion, Disability Arts Online, Fabrica, Hastings Contemporary, HOME Slough, HOUSE Biennial, John Hansard Gallery, The Lightbox, Lighthouse, Milton Keynes Gallery, Modern Art Oxford, Open School East, Outside In, Pallant House Gallery, Phoenix Art Space, Photoworks, Project Art Works, Reading International, Towner Eastbourne, Turner Contemporary and Watts Gallery - Artists' Village. The network has a Steering Group which includes artists Sonia Boué and Lindsay Seers.

CVAN South East is one of the nine regional networks in England that make up CVAN (the Contemporary Visual Arts Network). The network is supported by Arts Council England.

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