



Artist Commission Brief

Artist-designed Gate – The Ropewalk, Barton upon Humber, North Lincolnshire.

Context and background

The Ropewalk would like to commission an artist or arts organisation to design, fabricate and install a gate/entrance to the promenade alongside The Ropewalk building.

The project aims to create a more positive image for the external surroundings of the building. The provision of a gate is the second stage of a project funded by Arts Council England and LEADER. (Part one included the resurfacing and landscaping of the promenade).

The total budget for the commission is £9000

It is envisaged that the project will take place following a successful tender application and if appropriate the artist/arts organisation could include a series of design workshops with local schools. The appointed artist/arts organisation must be available to commence work immediately after selection.

DEADLINE: 5.00pm on **January 27 2012**

Gate and attached fence

- The new gate will replace an existing gate and attached fence that is located at the southern end of the promenade leading to the car park and entrance to the Ropery Coffee Shop and Artspace.
- The choice of the type of materials is not prescriptive and will be up to the discretion of the artist.
- The choice of design is not prescriptive and will be up to the discretion of the artist but should reflect the building's history and current use.
- Work must include design, fabrication, delivery to site and installation.
- Project could include three half-day design workshops with local primary schools
- Particular attention should be given to safety and maintenance considerations as well as accessibility and resistance to vandalism.

Commissioning Procedure

Interested artists/arts organisations are invited to submit a proposal to Liz Bennet at The Ropewalk by 5.00pm on **Friday 27 January 2012** comprising of the following:

1. A written document of a maximum 500 words, outlining their approach to the brief; and describing their initial ideas for the commission.
2. A copy of their current curriculum vitae highlighting relevant qualifications and experience for a commission of this nature (no more than two A4 pages)
3. Visuals of appropriate recent work in the form of photographs or CD. Please submit a maximum of six images with a brief description (no more than a short paragraph for each image).
4. A budget breakdown for this project to include artist's fees, any workshop costs, materials, installation costs and VAT where appropriate.

5. Details of the anticipated programme of the project with timescale broken down into consultation, manufacture and installation.
6. Description of expected maintenance regime and lifetime expectation.
7. Details of who would be responsible for the manufacture and installation, i.e. the artist or artist's sub-contractor. The selected artist/arts organisation will be required to provide the working group with a copy of their Public Liability Insurance (minimum of £5,000,000) together with a method statement for the installation of the final artwork and relevant insurance certificates for any sub-contractors involved in the fabrication and installation.

Please note, no fee is provided for the tender process.

Submissions will be judged by The Ropewalk Management Team

Please send your information to:

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Appendix

Dimensions of existing gate:

Approx. 5m width

1m height

Distance either side of the gate is approx. 5m

Existing gateposts may be utilised but the structure cannot be attached to the actual building

