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ARTS
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**HRWYDWAITH CELFYDDYDAU AC ADDYSG: GOGLEDD CYMRU
ARTS AND EDUCATION NETWORK: NORTH WALES**


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CALL FOR ARTS CHAMPIONS!



This is a call out for **TEACHERS AND ARTS PRACTITIONERS** who are passionate about the arts in primary and secondary schools and are open to expanding their understanding of creative learning in order to become inspiring and supportive role models for others.

The Arts and Education Network: North Wales is seeking **12 INSPIRATIONAL ARTS CHAMPIONS** for the new regional network in partnership with The Welsh Government and Arts Council Wales as part of *Creative learning through the Arts – an action plan for Wales*.

IS THIS YOU? ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Further information and how to apply:
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Closing date for applications:
28 September 2016

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FURTHER INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

The Arts and Education Network North Wales is seeking **12 Arts Champions** for the new regional Network in partnership with The Welsh Government and Arts Council Wales as part of *Creative learning through the Arts – an action plan for Wales*.

About the Arts & Education Network

The network's role is to increase and improve arts experiences and opportunities in schools by forging links between:

- teachers
- educationalists and partners from the education sector
- arts practitioners
- arts organisations and venues
- cultural and heritage organisations and venues (such as museums, libraries and archives)
- local authority arts providers including music services
- higher education arts and cultural partners
- creative industries sector

Creating an Arts Champion programme is one of the five main tasks of the network as defined by the Arts Council of Wales:

1. Organise a programme of high quality professional development for teachers, artists, arts and cultural organisations.
2. Establish and coordinate networking opportunities for teachers, artists and organisations from the arts, creative, cultural and heritage sectors – both digital and face to face.
3. Connect schools with artists and arts organisations – acting as a 'broker'.
4. Collect information on the regional offer and publicise examples of best practice.
5. Deliver the Local Arts Champions programme.

The Arts Champion programme overview

We are looking for Arts Champions who are experienced teachers of the arts in primary or secondary education, whether a qualified teacher or experienced arts practitioner who are willing to share their skills, experience, expertise and enthusiasm with other teachers and schools, and take on the role of public advocates of arts and creativity in education.

The Network will provide funding to schools to cover the release of the Arts Champions who will spend short periods of time promoting best practice, training, supporting others to adopt similar approaches, or bringing others into their school to observe and learn.

The role also encompasses an advisory role within the network.

2. WHAT IS AN ARTS CHAMPION?

The Principles

The Arts Champion scheme supports, enthuses and inspires educators and learners to consider the arts as able to enrich learning experiences. The Arts Champions will provide guidance and encouragement to educators and learners to view and engage in creativity in a positive way.

What will an Arts Champion do?

- Promote and share best practice
- Provide training
- Provide support
- Peer role model via observed lessons
- Provide the network with insight on what's happening in schools and the arts as well as guidance and advice on training needs

An Arts Champion needs to demonstrate:

- Strong commitment to Creative teaching and learning
- They are inspiring individuals with strong interpersonal skills
- Willingness to act as role models for teachers and learners
- Evidence of outstanding work that they have undertaken within a learning environment
- Commitment to professional development
- Willingness to develop their ability to influence and empower others to excel

What other specifications are we looking for?

- The ability to converse and write bilingually is desirable.
- A recent DBS check. Registration with the Education Workforce Council.

How much time will being an Arts Champion take per academic year?

Total of 10 days (can be split into half days as relevant to activity/network).

- 1 x days - Arts Champion training
- 8 x days - Arts Champion peer support
- 1 x days - advisory to networks

Covering the cost

Teachers

The network will **cover the cost** of releasing a teacher from school, enabling the school to cover the costs of a supply teacher.

Arts Practitioner

The network will pay the arts practitioners for their time participating in the Arts Champion programme.

Training

Arts Champions will be asked to attend initial training organised and paid for by the network. This will enable the Arts Champion team to familiarise themselves with the context of *Creative learning through the Arts – an action plan for Wales*, to gain inspiration from experts in the field and to share ideas and start planning ahead as a team.

3. HOW TO MAKE AN APPLICATION

If you are interested in becoming an Arts Champion, we kindly ask you to send on the following requirements:

1. A current C.V.
2. A letter of interest outlining why you would like to take on the role.
3. Details of two referees that can vouch for your work / projects within an Educational setting.
4. Examples of work, relevant to the essence of becoming an Arts Champion, that you would like to share with us (web-links are acceptable).
5. **Teachers** - include a letter of endorsement from your headteacher.
6. **Arts Practitioners** - include a letter of endorsement from a school that you have worked with on creative projects.

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Where to send your application

If working in Anglesey, Gwynedd or Conwy:

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If working in Denbighshire, Flintshire or Wreccsam:

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4. THE NEXT STEPS

- 28th September - deadline
- 30th September - The network will let you know by the end of the day if you are selected for interview
- 6th October - interviews in Bangor
- 7th October - interviews in Mold
- 10th October - The network let you know if you have been successful
- 21st October - Arts Champions Training Day

The contract will start on 21st October 2016 for 12 months.

5. CONTACT

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ATTACHMENT 1 INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS

Why should you offer a member of staff to become an Arts Champion ?

There are many benefits to a member of staff from your school becoming an Arts Champion, including:

- Being a key part of the *Creative learning through the Arts – an action plan for Wales*;
- Enhanced preparation for applying the new curriculum;
- Expanding knowledge and experience of the individual teacher and hence the school;
- Bringing new ideas into the school;
- New ideas linking into school improvement plan;
- Providing in-house training for your school;
- The school will be intensely linked to the 'Arts Champion' community;
- Career enhancing and moral boosting for the teacher;
- Costs covered - all the above benefits are at no cost to the school.

What will your school gain from receiving support from an Arts Champion?

- Support for the school in preparing for the new curriculum
- Enhance creative learning activity in school
- Opportunity for on the job CPD for teachers
- Linking activity to school improvement plan
- Enhancing skills by providing first hand experience of high standard art forms in the classroom
- The Arts Champion scheme is funded and will be no cost to the school, including paying for supply cover