



Art Trail

10th September 2017



Call for Proposals/Projects

Spon Spun Art Trail 2017

The Spon Spun Art Trail is a part of a new Arts & Heritage Festival in Spon End, Coventry. A Management Group of the arts and heritage organisations operating in the area, including Coventry Artspace Partnerships, The Albany Theatre, The Weaver's House and Holyhead Studios, has been formed to oversee the development of the Festival. The group works closely with other community groups including The Rose Community Centre, Coventry MIND, Oasis Cafe and Koco Community Resource Centre and the Festival is being evaluated by Warwick University. The art trail will take place on the last day of the Festival – Sunday 10th September. Following the Festival work selected from the trail will be exhibited at City Arcadia Gallery.

Overarching theme

The overarching theme of Festival, which encompasses different art forms, is *Spon End Stories*.

Call for Proposals/Projects

The Spon Spun Festival Group is inviting calls for artworks/projects to be included in this year's art trail. The art trail is a one-day event taking place between 12 and 4pm on Sunday 10th September 2017.

We are interested in interventions, installations, performances, experiments, moving images, video based work, artistic research projects and concepts which benefit from being installed in the Spon End environment. We are particularly interested in proposals that address the above theme of 'Spon End Stories' and/or which encourage creative playfulness, engagement and interaction.

Proposals for work in all locations will be considered. We are particularly interested in locations that are meaningful to the local community. If you have a proposal but haven't yet specified a location you can still apply and we will choose a location. If you have selected a location please let us know in your proposal.

The deadline to apply is 31st July 2017

www.sponspun.co.uk

How to apply

Application is through an open call process. To make an application please complete the application form which can be obtained by emailing mail@coventry-artspace.co.uk . Return the completed form to the same address or post to: Coventry Artspace, Floor 4, Eaton House, Coventry CV1 2FJ. Mark your email or envelope 'SPON SPUN ART TRAIL PROPOSAL' .

Artists working in all disciplines can apply. This can include, but is not limited to, music, video, sculpture, installation, drawing, painting, photography, performance, sound, interventions, participatory and collaborative work.

Artists do not need to live in Spon End to apply. The key requirements are a willingness to experiment with showing your artwork in unusual spaces, and an openness and curiosity to see what happens when you extend your practice in new ways through engagement with the art trail.

Selection panel

The selection panel will consist of representatives from Spon Spun partners and the curator of the Art Trail, Anne Forgan.

Selection criteria

The selection criteria are artistic quality, originality, creativity and feasibility of realising the project. It is expected that there will be at least 10 stops on the Art Trail.

Application deadline

31st July 2017

Terms and conditions

Application is free. Participation in the Art Trail is free of charge and the trail is free to view.

Each selected artist will be awarded £25 to cover expenses. This will be payable on the day of the Art Trail. *In exceptional circumstances the organisers will try to identify further funds for expenses where appropriate. If you would find support for materials useful in realising your work for the art trail please include this information (with an estimate of costs) in your application.*

The artwork remains the property of the artist at all times.

The Spon Spun Festival Team will promote the art trail and related activities in various ways including social media and the Heritage Open Weekend publicity. All work selected will be included on a printed Spon Spun Art Map which will be handed out during the Festival Weekend

The Art Trail will be documented and disseminated in a variety of ways including social media pages and website.

We reserve the right to use images or work provided by the participants and produced for the Art Trail for press and public relations purposes.

Selected artists must agree to:

- Provide a certificate of Public Liability Insurance, a copy of this will need to be submitted to the organisers prior to installation of the work*.
- Install their work by 11am and remove it and clear up by 5pm on the day of the art trail (10th September 2017). Please make clear on your form if you will require assistance with the installation of your work.



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Application Form



Personal Information

First name:

Last name:

Collective name if appropriate:

Address:

Postal code:

Email address:

Phone No:

Website:

Project information

Project / Work Title:

Project Discipline/Media (please specify the discipline that you work in eg, video, photography, installation, sound art, sculpture, performance, painting, etc):

Short description of the project / work (max 200 words describing the work you intend to show as part of the art trail and why your experience/interests are relevant to the project):

Please attach 3 images (jpegs) of recent work/proposed piece.

Location for the work for the art trail

Have you identified a location for your work? *(If yes tell us where)?*

If yes, who is the property owner and has permission been granted by them? *(supply name, address and contact email/phone no.)?*

If no, what are the practical needs for the work? *(eg exterior/interior location, size of space required, electrical supply, monitor/screen, needs to hang/fix to wall/etc):*

Do you own an interesting location that you would be willing to allow other artists to exhibit in? *(if so please tell us about it here)?*

For publicity purposes

A short artist's statement including a brief description of the work and its related context (max 150 words):

Artists Bio (100 words max):

Please attach one high res image (jpeg)

If selected I agree to:

1. provide a certificate of Public Liability Insurance
2. install work by 11am and remove by 4:30pm on the day of the festival (including clearing all rubbish etc).
3. stay with the work for the duration of the festival - or nominate someone to do this on my behalf and to be prepared to speak with the public about the work on view.
4. allow images of my work and accompanying statement to be used for publicity purposes.

SIGNED.....

This form and accompanying information should be submitted by
10am 31 July 2017 to:

mail@coventry-artspace.co.uk / Coventry Artspace, Eaton House, Coventry CV1 2FJ
Please title 'SPON SPUN ART TRAIL PROPOSAL'