Film Maker Call-out

Aged 16-25? Looking to gain experience producing videos? Think you can help us reach other young people with your video production skills?

We have a commission available for an emerging film maker aged 16-25 to create 4 short video pieces for CatStrand Youth and Galloway Glens Landscape Partnership.

We are offering a fee of £600 for completion of 4 short (1-3 min) video pieces for use on Twitch, Instagram, Facebook and our websites for promotion of several upcoming projects.
Creative direction around the response to the briefs is up to the film maker and we encourage imaginative approaches.

CatStrand Youth Arts will provide a paid series of induction sessions at £15 p/h – this will include an equipment introduction session (2 hrs), meet the organisations session (to help you to understand more about the project briefings) (2hrs) and a mentoring session to look over your plans before you start production (2hrs).

In addition we can offer an optional 4hr session with People's Voice Media to become accredited as a community reporter and be able to use this methodology around capturing people's stories.

Timings and dates for this will be agreed to suit the film maker but it is expected these induction sessions and training opportunities will take place the week of the 26th April at CatStrand.

Equipment access is supported as detailed below and a production mentoring session with a trained film maker will be held at the beginning of the process to support your delivery and available for consultation throughout.

Completion of videos for use by CatStrand Youth and Galloway Glens expected between
12th May - 30th May 2021.
Individual project deadlines are below.

Ongoing £15 p/h additional editing work with Catstrand at Home available beyond the timeline of the project if interested.

This is a freelance commission - payment is made on completion of the project on invoicing to CatStrand Youth Arts, CatStrand, High St, New Galloway DG7 3RN.
Assistance with invoicing is available- please ask if you need support with this.

Application Process

If you are interested in pitching for the commission please send details of your relevant experience or a showreel of your work as well as an idea pitch of your approach to one of the below projects to Jamie- jamie@catstrand.com.

This can be submitted via an example video, storyboard, written piece or recording yourself taking us through the idea. Please submit this by the **15th April.**

We can accept links to youtube or downloads from googledrive, wetransfer, dropbox to the email above to access video files. If you want to discuss how best to send your application do get in touch!

We will shortlist candidates on the **16th April** and be in touch with you to let you know if you've progressed to the next stage.

Informal discussions with shortlisted candidates will take place with Galloway Glens and CatStrand Youth Arts the week of **19th of April** via zoom.

Final decision on the commission will be made on **23rd April.**

Project Briefs:

Project 1: Dirt Edits (CatStrand) 1 x 2 minute video or 2 x 1 minute videos

Deadline: 21st May

Mountain biking and film making project. Young people will be mountain biking and learning to use go pros with a professional adventure filmmaker on 8th May. They will be heading out once a month following this in the local areas trails and the go pros will be available to hire out to young people on the scheme. We would like to reach more young people aged 12-18 about this opportunity- so we are looking for some short video pieces that will show what's involved and what they can get out of it. You can attend the sessions on the 8th May at Kirroughtree if you'd like to speak with the young people participating to add to your video.

Project 2: Youth Spaces Project (CatStrand) 1 x 3 minute video

Deadline: 12th May

This brand new project is due to start in May that focuses on helping young people create a space for young people in the Glenkens. We would like to recruit a steering group of young people to lead the project forward. We also need young people to join in the activities planned by the steering group and attend workshops. A short film about how we are empowering young people to make change and capturing some ideas for the project with young people locally that are interested would be great to spread the word about the project and how people can get on board. The project will include making a virtual space using Minecraft, a pop up outdoor youth space and a youth club at the town hall. So featuring all the elements involved in the project would be great.

Project 3: Galloway Rural Skills (Galloway Glens) 1 x 3 min video

Deadline: 30th May

A film focussing on the Galloway Glens funded internship programmes. We would like to let young people know about the opportunities for working in the area that other young people have taken up. It will feature our interns working at the Better Lives Partnership / Castle Douglas Development Forum and at Natural Power Consultants, and a creative way of finding out about their experiences would be great.

Project 4: Native Tongues projects (Galloway Glens) 1 x 3 min video

Deadline: 30th May

The Native Tongues production will capture the under-threat Lowland Scots dialect for generations to come. We would love a really creative response to capturing our local dialect, to show off what's special about it and to record it for posterity. Meeting dialect speakers may be tricky under COVID restrictions, so ideas welcome about the format of this film

CatStrand Youth Arts will provide:

- Freelance fee at above rates payable by invoice on completion of each piece of work or as a total at the end of the project.
- Induction session
- Paperwork templates for collecting video permissions for locations and people
- Paid for Community Reporter Training Session with Peoples Voice Media
- Access to use equipment from CatStrand including canon xa20, sennheiser mic, manfrotto tripod, access to Adobe premiere pro remote access or via macbook pro
- Workspace can be provided for editing/ filming as required.
- Mentorship and trouble shooting for use of equipment and film making process.
- Insurance for work carried out and equipment whilst being used
- PVG registration where required
- Point of contact for the film maker to organise sessions with project participants

Skills Required from Candidate:

- Experience in film production
- Experience in editing
- Experience making films with or for young people or your peers
- PVG Registered/ Willing to be PVG registered
- Access to own transport to get to locations for filming and training sessions
- Good organisational skills
- Imaginative approach to the above briefs