



YEAR OF MAKING SHEFFIELD 2016

Year of Making is led by the Sheffield Cultural Consortium with support from The University of Sheffield, Sheffield Hallam University and Sheffield City Council. Strategic activity is led by an Advisory Group and a Steering Group; both meet monthly to support and feed into the programming activities which are led by the Year of Making Events Manager Tamar Millen.

The Year of Making team are inviting proposals from the creative sector, arts and cultural organisations to develop and deliver an inspiring range of high calibre cultural activities as part of Sheffield's Year of Making 2016

Round One of this Year of Making commissions pot consists of £70,000

We are looking to fund 3-4 projects within the £2,000-5,000 range and 2-4 projects in the £5,000 to £10,000 range

We encourage bold formats that aim to engage surprise and excite an audience.

In 2016 Sheffield will celebrate a **Year of Making**, an opportunity to foreground all forms of making in the city and region – from advanced manufacturing, specialist steels, forged products, cutting tools, flanges, bearings and blades to award winning theatre, international art and design, ground-breaking research and world class talent.

The **Year of Making** 2016 celebrates our past, present and future as a city of makers and promotes a world city with an international reputation for excellence and innovation.

Your idea should fit in with the overall Year of Making themes of:

- Making an impact
- Making a difference
- Making an impression

We are looking for proposals that

- celebrate our strengths in words & music, craft, performance, theatre, design, visual art, industry and manufacturing
- build incredible connections
- energise our creative strengths

How to apply

Read the brief and fill in the application form (downloadable from Sheffield Culture Consortium website <http://www.sheffieldculture.co.uk/>) and email it to tamar.millen@sheffield.gov.uk
Attach an organisational or personal CV (no more than 2 sides A4) that includes links to previous relevant work.

Requirements and Conditions

We are seeking proposals from across Sheffield. Priority will be given to applications where the publically accessible aspect of the activity takes place in Sheffield City Centre and has a strong participatory element.

Proposers are expected to bring some of their own resources to the project either through additional fundraising or dedicated staff time, details of which must be included in the project budget and proposal.

All participants must agree to allow Year of Making to use any content produced throughout this process for promotional and marketing purposes.

Important Dates

Round One February 2016

Open for applications 01/02/16

Application closing date – (Round One) 22/02/16

Successful applicants informed 01/03/16

Funding decisions publically announced at Year of Making launch 03/03/16