

Call for Expressions of Interest: Artwork for new Urology Department in Malton Hospital

Background

HAFNEY

Hospital Arts for North East Yorkshire (HAFNEY) was founded in 1999 by staff of Scarborough Hospital to allow artists and health professionals to work together to improve the quality of life for those involved in producing and receiving health and community care. HAFNEY is committed to achieving high quality, well designed healthcare environments and has instigated an arts programme to support these developments. This programme offers creative methods for involving patients, staff and local communities.

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The Arts in York Hospital

The main aim of The Arts in York Hospital is to provide a varied, ongoing programme of artistic enhancements to improve the environment of York Hospitals for patients, staff and visitors. Some of Arts Team's responsibilities include: sourcing artworks for both temporary and permanent display; organising musical performances in wards and communal areas; working directly with patients to create art works; and redesigning spaces.

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HAFNEY and The Arts in York Hospital work together to create contemporary art to enhance the environment of all the hospitals in the York Hospitals Trust, including: Scarborough, Bridlington, Malton, York, Easingwold and Selby. Our core values are:

- Good quality contemporary art for everyone
- Participation
- Partnership
- Value for money

We support the work of York Trust by enhancing facilities and providing added value.

York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust provides a comprehensive range of acute hospital and specialist healthcare services for approximately 530,000 people living in and around York, North Yorkshire, North East Yorkshire and Ryedale - an area covering 3,400 square miles.

In April 2011 York Hospital took over the management of community-based services in Selby, York, Scarborough, Whitby and Ryedale and in July 2012 acquired Scarborough and North East Yorkshire Healthcare NHS Trust, bringing Scarborough and Bridlington Hospitals into the organisation.

Malton Hospital

Malton Hospital is a community hospital which provides inpatient rehabilitation, palliative care and outpatients services to the local Ryedale community. The hospital also has a nurse-led urgent care centre and maternity unit.

Commission Site

Urology Department, Malton Hospital

The purpose built Urology Unit at Malton Hospital will provide a one stop diagnosis and treatment centre for the whole of the Trust area. In most cases patients will receive multiple tests and receive diagnosis, all in one visit. They will therefore spend long periods of time in the large central waiting area.

Project Brief

We are looking for artists who can demonstrate their experience and ability to deliver great art on time within a set budget. Artists will need to be sensitive to the needs of the Urology Department and those who use the service, working in partnership to achieve the aims of the unit.

There are no prescriptive content briefs for the sites identified. However, artists may want to research themes and imagery that are specific to the areas, drawing on the outstanding natural beauty of the area in general. In addition, artists should be sensitive to the unique nature of the buildings and healthcare function, avoiding themes and imagery which may be misinterpreted by those already suffering mental and physical anxiety and trauma. The work should respond to its context within a place of healing, as well as respecting the materials and colours of the surrounding architecture. (Please see Appendix 1 for agreed colour scheme of new site).

There is scope for discussion as to which areas within the newly developed site will be appropriate for artwork. Three areas have been identified by an existing user group as priority sites for artwork (please see Appendix 1 for mock ups of the layout of the new Urology Department).

The successful artists will be expected to work closely with appointed members of staff, including the arts coordinator for Hafney. It is imperative that the artist works closely with the Health and Safety and Infection Prevention Teams to ensure suitable consideration is given to these areas.

The artwork will be a vital addition to the unit, helping to create a calm, tranquil and welcoming environment.

The artist will:

- Provide inspiration, skills and experience
- Carry out creative and artistic research and development
- Work in partnership with the Urology Department, its staff and users
- Create best quality contemporary artwork for the unit to enhance the visual environment and evoke feelings of tranquillity and calm
- Spend time with the team and users to generate ideas, as well as allowing the team to be involved in making the final decision on the design of the artwork before installation begins
- Write risk assessments and method statements for placement and installation of artwork
- Arrange installation of artwork pieces

The artist will need to be aware of the sensitive nature of the hospital environment, not only with regards to patients but ensuring painting materials are approved and risk assessed, in

consultation with contractors and facilities management. Artists will require a minimum of £5 million public liability insurance.

Timescale

The plans for the unit are awaiting planning permission with a result expected by July. Funding is in place and it is envisaged that an artist can be contracted to start work September/October 2015.

Timetable

July 15th: Call for expressions of interest

July 29th: Deadline for expressions of interest

August 2nd: Short listing

August 12th: Interviews for successful artists

August 17th: Commission awarded

September/October 2015: Work to be installed (dates TBC nearer the time)

Research, concepts and consultation weeks are to be agreed between artist and department, architects and capital planning team.

Budget

The commission is expected to be delivered within a budget of £10,000 exclusive of VAT, to include artist's fee, material costs, Installation costs, production costs and expenses.

Application Procedure

Artists are asked to submit a small portfolio of work, covering letter and CV. Please include examples of similar work you've undertaken in the past, particularly showing experience of:

- Design flare and innovation
- Working with a commissioning group
- Designing a piece of art for a public space
- Maintenance and risk assessment
- Sensitivity of design for a healthcare setting
- Ability to work projects to set costings

Short-listing will be undertaken by panel and up to 4 artists will be invited for interview. The selection process will involve a selection committee chosen from The Arts in York Hospital, Hafney, staff and patient representatives.

The selected artist will be required to draft a detailed schedule of both production timescales with an attendant financial breakdown to demonstrate that the proposal is achievable within the budget set.

Please send your application by email to Jess Sharp, Art and Design Project Coordinator for The Arts in York Hospital:

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Deadlines

Deadline for Expressions of Interest: Wednesday 29th July 2015 Interviews for successful applicants: Wednesday 12th August 2015

Appendix 1



The photograph above shows samples of the various materials that will make up the flooring, wall cladding and textiles within the unit.

The colour scheme includes warm wood, mid grey, cyan and yellow.

Artwork does not necessarily need to be restricted to these colours, but must sit well next to them.

Appendix 2



The Image above shows CAD drawings of the intended layout of six areas within the Urology Clinic.

In the top two images there are white blossom motifs along the walls, these mark walls that have been allocated for artwork. The use of blossom imagery is not an indicator of preference, it's merely being used a place holder and to show where art work will sit. The blue floral patterns in the two central images are being used in the same way.

The bottom two images have been included to show how feature walls and brightly coloured wash basins will be used in clinic and treatment rooms.