

Peer Learning Facilitator, Local Partnerships Programme

About us

A New Direction is a non-profit organisation working to enhance the capacity and agency of children and young people in London to own their creativity, shape culture, and achieve their creative potential.

Our Vision: For a world where all children and young people achieve their creative potential

Our Mission: To enhance the capacity and agency of children and young people in London to own their creativity, shape culture, and achieve their creative potential

Our Values: Equity, Connectivity, Trust and Respect, Creative Culture, and Kindness

Local Partnerships Programme

Our [Local Partnerships Programme](#) supports join-up and collaboration between creative, education, youth sector, public, and private sector organisations in a number of areas of the city. We are currently connected with local partnerships supporting children and young people in around 20 London boroughs, and support 16 local partnerships (each working in one borough) through our grant programme [Challenge London](#).

Partnerships enable practice-sharing, knowledge exchange, the development of joint work, and coordination of local opportunities between organisations working in a place, with the aim of supporting great cultural and creative learning for all children and young people who live and study there.

The role

We're looking for a facilitator to support the delivery of a peer learning programme for those taking a lead in their local partnership as programme managers and convenors. The programme will run between October 2021 and July 2022 and will include a core of six sessions (approx. one every two months, each lasting one to two hours, pending a return to face-to-face activity). We'd anticipate around 15 leaders will be involved in each session and these will be individually bookable for participants.

We hope sessions will include opportunities for input and discussion relating to specific themes, opportunities for partnership leads to share experiences and hear from each other, and possibly lead to focussed project or working groups around specific topics outside of the sessions. A New Direction also convene an online space for partnership leads which will complement the sessions. Following feedback from partnership convenors in August 2020, themes incorporated in the series might include impact measurement and evaluation, sustainability and resourcing, youth voice, inclusive local practice, and representation.

The Peer Learning Facilitator role will include the following, working closely with the Partnerships team at A New Direction:

- Design and development of the programme

- Individual session design — creating a shape for each session and overseeing session-planning, and working with A New Direction's Partnerships Officer to brief external speakers
- Holding and facilitating the space on the day. This may involve sole session facilitation or working alongside an additional facilitator as appropriate for each topic or session (to be determined during the planning process)
- Supporting communications around the peer learning series — e.g. drafting invitations and series overview documents for circulation
- Evaluating the programme series

At this stage we imagine sessions in the autumn term will be delivered on Zoom. We will review the opportunities for face-to-face meetings within the planning process for the series.

Indicative timeline

Deadline for applications: 9am, Monday 20 September

Initiation of contract and planning meeting: Monday 27 September

- Session 1: Week commencing 18 October (to be confirmed)
- Session 2: early December
- Session 3: February 2022
- Session 4: April 2022
- Session 5: June 2022
- Session 6 and evaluation: July/August 2022

Fee

£3,000 inclusive of all VAT, travel, and expenses. We anticipate this contract will comprise approximately 10 day's work (to be finalised during the planning process) between September 2021 and August 2022. Activities might be clustered in certain periods around events to be discussed.

To Apply

To apply, **please send CV and covering letter to Challengelondon@anewdirection.org.uk** by 9am on Monday 20 September.

Please include a brief outline of the approach you'd take to the work, information about experience relevant to the role, and why you're interested in working with us on the programme within your covering letter.