

## Are you eligible?

Lewisham Council are looking to fund arts festival projects led by not-for-profit organisations and groups. A 'festival' can consist of an event/events, a series of workshops or arts programming that residents of Lewisham can access.

Lewisham Arts Festival Fund supports projects that:

- Enhance the identity of Lewisham
- Generate new participants and audiences and support existing ones
- Engage and enrich local communities
- Strengthen local areas and neighbourhood partnerships
- Provide a platform and offer professional development for local artists
- Deliver economic benefits to the local community and the borough
- Projects are also welcomed that support and develop volunteering opportunities.

Lewisham Festival Fund will pledge a maximum of 70% of the total cost of your project. The maximum pledge will be £4,000.

At least 30% of the total cost of your project needs to come from other sources, including Crowdfunder pledges, grants from other funders including those on Crowdfunder <http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/funds> excluding other Lewisham Council departments or the Small and Faith Crowdfunder fund, and in-kind contributions or earned income (for example through ticket sales).

To be eligible for the Festival fund, projects must:

- Be submitted by not-for-profit organisations
- Take place in the London borough of Lewisham and benefit Lewishams' residents
- Consider equal opportunities of access to the project

The Council is unable to fund:

- Individuals - If you are an individual with an idea you could link up with a local organisation. Contact us if you would like help with this
- Activities that promote political views or religious beliefs
- Commercial or business related activities
- Spending that has already taken place
- Projects already funded by other Lewisham Council sources

For more information on how your project will be assessed for funding, [download and read the Lewisham Arts Festival Fund guidance](#)