



CALL OUT FOR... South-west based designer For 3D cardboard design commission

Through **Get Creative** the Exeter Northcott is supporting community groups to make creative connections, dream up big ideas, and make them happen.

Exeter Seed Bank is one of the first groups supported by **Get Creative**.

Together, Exeter Seed Bank and Exeter Northcott are commissioning a designer / maker / fabricator or collective to design and build a portable cardboard kiosk for Exeter Seed Bank's public engagement events.

About the Exeter Seed Bank

Exeter Seed Bank (ESB) was established in June 2020 by Mandy Biscoe and Johanna Korndorfer. It has a membership of 256 members (and growing).

Part of the ambition of ESB is to share knowledge about seed saving, an ancient craft that is reviving in the face of our diminishing seed diversity. We also want to share stories and skills; and champion socially engaged arts practices that inspire sustainable horticulture and environmental stewardship.

Corrugated Cardboard Kiosk Commission

We seek to commission the design and build of a portable, sculptural kiosk, which we can take to events / community spaces both inside and outside (under cover).

As a structure which is both dynamic and versatile in presentation, the kiosk aims to replace the traditional and tired format of information table, display boards and banner stands.

Corrugated cardboard has been specifically chosen for its compostable properties: at the end of its life, the kiosk will not enter the waste stream.

Design specification

- A 'wow' factor: The kiosk should be welcoming and interactive. Consider sightlines that encourage people to approach and engage.
- Flexible or modular design, adaptable to different spaces; shelving to display seeds & other items; and surfaces to feature signage, artwork.
- The kiosk should be able to stand alone, relying upon the properties of corrugated cardboard itself in its assembly.
- Transportable by bike / trailer (if possible), or a car roof rack (max size).
- Light and flat-packable for ease of storage, carrying and setup.
- A re-useable design if possible (eg. a CAD template or similar).

The Fee

We have a fee of £1000 for design and build, to include:

- Discussion of design / intentions for use with co-commissioning group.
- Design and build time.
- Materials / production costs.

Please note: ESB will consider looking for other sources of funding to support fabrication if there is a particularly inspiring proposal that is replicable.

How to Apply

- CV / portfolio or website link.
- A short statement outlining your approach to the design specification
- **<u>OR</u>** a short video or audio file answering the same (5 mins max).
- A sketch of your idea.

Please send your application to exeterseedbank@gmail.com

Please note: Due to the Northcott's commitment to strengthening the creative ecosystem in the South-West and the Seed Bank's commitment to carbon neutrality, we wish to work with a locally-based artist. Applications from those based outside of the South West will not be considered.

Accessible applications

If none of the methods indicated above are accessible for you, please get in touch with us to discuss how you could make your best application. We're keen to hear from you!

Next stage

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to an interview with a co-commissioning panel from Exeter Seed Bank and Exeter Northcott Theatre.

Shortlisted applicants will be asked to bring along an illustrated presentation (visual or 3D) to demonstrate their idea.

Project Timeline

Application deadline: 12 pm, Friday 14th May 2021

Interviews and appointment: 26th - 28th May 2021

Design and build period: June - July 2021

Please note that the kiosk should be completed by mid July

Further information

For a friendly chat about the commission, please contact Johanna on:

exeterseedbank@gmail.com or 07891641177.