



Call for Entries: 2017 Fringe Central Events Programme

As part of the services the Fringe Society offers to all those taking part in shows, the Fringe Central Events Programme delivers a series of professional development workshops, seminars, discussions and creative labs throughout the month of August.

In 2016, we worked with 44 partners in order to deliver a comprehensive and diverse programme of over 110 events. The programme's overall aims are to; develop skills, expand perceptions, build networks, advance careers and aid in the health and well-being of all those involved in a Fringe show.

We are currently looking for expressions of interest for the 2017 Fringe Central Events Programme. There are a number of reoccurring programme sections which are detailed below, however we are always open to discussing additional/ ad-hoc sections which could be incorporated.

For 2017, we have a strong interest in developing our **Young Voices: Fresh Perspective, Health and Wellbeing** (with a particular focus on Mental Health) and **Breaking Down Barriers** sections. In addition, we are keen on programming more workshops, masterclasses and networking opportunities for participants across all genres of the programme.

In line with our continued commitment to support participants in an open and impartial manner, all events presented within Fringe Central must:

- Be free to attend
- Be open to anyone taking part in a Fringe show
- Not be used as a promotional tool for any Fringe show

Deadline for submissions of interest: 5pm, 08 March 2017

If we decide to programme your event, you will be required to provide final copy and artwork by **5pm on 29th March 2016.**

The 2016 Fringe Central Events Programme can be viewed here:

http://edfringe.s3.amazonaws.com/docs/Fringe_Central_Events_Programme_2016.pdf

In addition, we also run a series of professional development events for accredited [Arts Industry Professionals](#) and our [Emerging Producers Development Programme](#) incorporates a series of workshops and masterclasses exclusively for the 10-15 participants of the programme. More

information on both programmes can be provided but please do get in touch if you are interested in delivering something specifically for either of these groups of participants.

Fringe Central Events Programme sections:

- **Beyond Edinburgh Fringe: what next?**

The Fringe can be a great platform for getting your work seen by potential future bookers and/or collaborators. But where should you start? These events provide information and advice on some of the opportunities that exist outside of the Edinburgh Fringe and how to engage with them.

- **Breaking Down Barriers**

Join us for some thought provoking discussions around accessibility, equalities and diversity in the Fringe and wider performing arts sector.

- **Environmental Sustainability**

A series of events to inspire, discuss and celebrate efforts to increase environmental sustainability in the arts.

- **Health and Wellbeing**

A series of discussions, events and workshops to help you in mind, body and soul.

- **Inspiration**

Some lively and inspiring discussions and workshops to help you develop your creative skills, give you new perspective and enrich your Fringe experience.

- **Make the Most of Your Fringe**

Want to make the most of your time here at the Fringe? We want that too. A mix of events to make you a Fringe expert with advice on getting started, marketing your show and pitching to promoters, as well as opportunities to meet your peers, and share and reflect on your own experience.

- **Starting Out**

A selection of events for budding (or retraining) performers and arts facilitators, ranging from open auditions, information sessions and workshops.

- **Taking Care of Business**

It's easy to get swept up in the excitement of a new project but don't get caught out. These events are designed to help you keep on top of this business we call show.

- **Young Voices: Fresh Perspective**

Young people have a positive and active role within the arts. This selection of events discusses and celebrates the role of young people and the ways they can influence, develop and challenge the world around them.