

BODY BUILDERS / OPEN CALL

Useful & Beautiful Makers Marquee

Walthamstow Garden Party 14th & 15th July 2018

It's going to be a take-over at this year's *Useful & Beautiful Makers Marquee* as Blackhorse Workshop presents *BODY BUILDERS*: an experimental production lab of anatomical accessories that plans to release a new wave of human hybrids into the festival.

We're inviting applications to create this summer's collection of reactive festival fashion, activated by the wearer's body movement. Think extendable arms, altered vision goggles, creaking mechanical joints, pogo stick legs, hide and seek faces and retractable Pinocchio noses. These might be created through simple mechanics, programmed through simple electronics or designed to generate sound or enhance movement.

This year Blackhorse Workshop will be partnering with *A New Direction* and *Create Jobs* to use the festival as an opportunity to work with local young people, providing them with practical experience of delivering a public activity, and an insight into the world of design, making and event management. Each maker will be paired with a young person (supported by the Create Jobs team) who will assist the workshop and give practical support throughout the weekend.

The Brief:

We are seeking inventive designs for wearable accessories that are triggered by natural body movement, manually activated or set in motion by other means.

Designs should be safe and fun for children (aged 4+) or adults to assemble / make and use at the festival, the aim being for participants to learn practical making skills and gain an insight into a variety of creative fields.

Each accessory should allow the participant to:

- Have a go at a specific craft skill (e.g. woodwork) and build confidence with tools
- think creatively about making
- make an object they are proud of and get fun from

Designs should be well-made using durable materials, to create a high-quality and fun product that can be taken home and used again. They should be professional in appearance, easy and safe for participants to assemble and wear, and easily attached and detached to clothing or limbs.

Due to time and budget, designs will need to be fairly simple and small in scale.

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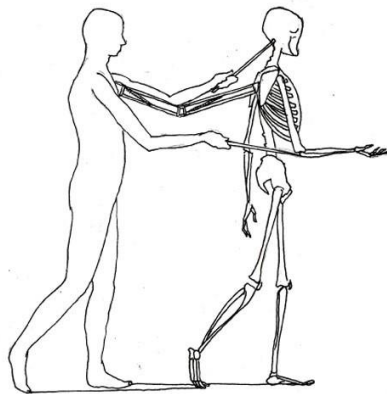
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Proposal Options:

The plan is for the tent to offer a variety of activities, some quick to turn around, some more involved, some directed at adults, but mainly for children of all ages 4+.

Your activity should take a participant a maximum of 20 mins per person or deliverable in small groups / 20 min sessions.

You should aim to deliver your activity to between 75 - 150 kids/adults per day, 150 – 300 over the weekend. We would like to see as many free activities as possible delivered, with a maximum materials charge of under £5 per participant if absolutely necessary.



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Budget and Requirements:

There is a maximum budget of £1,500 for the delivery of each activity. As a guide we imagine the fee to be allocated roughly as follows:

- 20% research, development and prototyping of your activity
- 15% component and activity preparation
- 20% delivery of the activity on Saturday 14th July & Sunday 15th July
- 45% material budget

Commissioned makers will be responsible for the following:

- Initial design of concept and product
- Development of final design (agreed with BHW) and prototyping
- Attend a group briefing at the workshop on 27th June about practicalities and to be paired with a young person.
- Working with a young adult (18 – 25) to be involved in preparation (1-2 days) and delivery of activity over the weekend
- Preparation of components and other materials in preparation for event
- Delivery of activity at WGP 14/15th July 2018
- Working with BHW to develop risk assessments and safe methods of working
- provision of tools to use for delivery (* tools where available can be loaned from Blackhorse Workshop)
- Providing a copy of their own Public Liability Insurance

50% of the fee (£750) will be paid on sign off from BHW of the prototype activity, and the remaining 50% after delivering the event.

Timeline:

MAY:

- Sunday 6th May: Deadline for submissions of activity idea
- Friday 11th May: BHW review of submissions, selection and feedback on ideas
- Monday 14th May: Selected makers notified
Contracts issued
Development of ideas / prototyping.

JUNE:

- Fabrication of components for event
- Friday 15th June: Risk Assessments & Public Liability submitted and signed off
- Weds 27th June: Briefing session and young people introductory session

JULY:

- Final preparations for event
- Young people work with makers to support delivery of activity
- Saturday 14th July Delivery of activity (12-6pm)
- Sunday 15th July Delivery of activity (12-6pm)

How To Apply:

To submit your idea for a project, please complete the form below detailing how you plan for it to work.

Please return the form by email to info@blackhorseworkshop.co.uk and email us with any questions.

Deadline: All applications must be received by 6th May. All applicants will be notified by 14th May.

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APPLICATION FORM:

Your details

Name	
Your company name (if applicable)	
Your contact details	
Website	
A little about your work/practice	
Do you have any experience in delivering workshops like this?	
Have you taken part in this festival before?	

Your proposed activity

What activity are you proposing to do?	
What part of the body will your activity be focused around?	
What materials will your design be made from?	
How it will move / be activated, and by what body movement or means?	
How many people can take part in it? (over the weekend, and at any one time)	
How long will it take for one person to make / assemble your design?	

What age participant is your activity aimed at?	
What steps will each participant go through to make the object? What skills / techniques will participants learn during the activity?	

Logistics

What tools / other equipment will you need to deliver your activity? (N.B tables and chairs will be provided at the event)	
Are you able to organize transport of your tools and materials to the event?	
Any other support needed from Blackhorse Workshop needed?	
What space will you need (in m2)	

THANK YOU

Please email your completed form to info@blackhorseworkshop.co.uk by Sunday 6th May