**Open Call for Artist to Create film or images in response to My Future York project**

***The past was different to today, the future will be too – what future do we want for York?***

**My Future York** is an open and collaborative inquiry. We are working anyone who wants to get involved to develop richer understandings of the city’s pasts and to inspire new alternative visions for York’s future. <http://myfutureyork.org/>

We are looking to commission an artist, graphic designer, film-maker or animator to help develop an evocative short film – or set of striking images – which link archives, photos, memories, and words to explore the connections between pasts, presents and futures. This film/images may be displayed at Somerset House as part of the Utopia 500 Fair on 24th-26th June and will certainly be used widely in York and as part of our national and international research dissemination. The film / set of images will be inspired by work with York’s city archives and the community Facebook group York Past and Present.

We have a budget for both the artist / graphic designer / animator / film maker’s time and production.

Overall this will be roughly (there can be movement between the two headings if there’s need for more time with lower production costs):

Time: £1000

Production: up to £500

**Total: £1500**

**The artist / designer will need to have..**

* a strong conceptual engagement with dimensions of pasts, presents and futures
* an Enthusiasm for using archive material
* a reflexive engagement with community-based and participatory practice
* experience of responding to – and shaping – research
* an ability to deliver within the timeframe
* an ability to deliver the project within and make the most of the identified budget

**Timescale:**

Deadline for Submissions: 10am 5th May, 2016

Proposed Interview Date(s): 10th May, 2016

Initial Workshop / Brainstorming session with appointed artist/designer/film maker: 16th May, 2016 (can be flexible)

Project Launch and Presentation at Somerset House: 24th-26th June 2016

**To apply:**

* Send through a 300 word response to the brief
* Provide examples (documentation and context) of any previous relevant projects
* Two page CV

The **My Future York** project has been developed through a partnership between [York Environment Forum](https://yorkenvironmentforum.org.uk/" \t "_blank), York Past and Present, [York Explore Libraries and Archives](https://www.exploreyork.org.uk/client/en_GB/default) and [Centre for Critical Studies in Museums, Galleries and Heritage](http://www.ccsmgh.leeds.ac.uk/" \t "_blank) at the University of Leeds. It is supported by the [Arts and Humanities Research Council’s Connected Communities programme](http://www.ahrc.ac.uk/research/fundedthemesandprogrammes/crosscouncilprogrammes/connectedcommunities/) as part of the Connected Communities Festival 2016.

 