

Border Reivers Callout

We are looking for an artist/s or a creative company to create an interactive community performance in response to the history of the Border Reivers. This will take the form of a day of interactive performance in February 2024.

This work can take place on the High Street, in outdoor spaces or within some of the historic buildings in Hexham. The work will be created in partnership with our community, which may include working with non-professional performance groups, schools, youth groups or other community groups.

We are particularly looking for artists and companies who are based in the North East.

We will provide:

- Community contacts
- Contacts for performance spaces
- Space for R&D
- Technical advice and support
- £4,000 fee (inc. VAT) which will include planning time, performance fees, travel, accommodation and expenses.

How to submit:

Apply online by completing this form which asks for:

- 200 words explaining your experience in performing arts production
- 200 words explaining your interest in the Border Reivers and your links with the region
- 500 words which describe your ideas and how you will collaborate with our community
- links to your previous work

Timeline:

- Call out announced 23 November 2023
- Submission deadline 8 December 2023
- Commissioning panel (made up of members of Hexham Culture Network) w/c 11 December 2023
- Commission awarded 18 December 2023
- Commission complete end February 2024 (exact performance date TBC)

The programme of cultural activity is led by Queen's Hall Arts on behalf of Hexham HSHAZ (High Street Heritage Action Zone). It is an ambitious project seeking to deliver cultural activity that boosts the town centre and enhances awareness of the Conservation Area. It aims to revitalise Hexham's historic town centre making it a more attractive, engaging and vibrant place for people to live, work, invest and visit.