

Overview:

Going Out with the Tide Festival is a project run by a wide range of people living in Guernsey who feel that death, dying and bereavement are things that we are pretty rubbish at talking about and we would like that to change. Going Out with the Tide was launched in 2018 from Dying Matters Awareness Week, a national initiative, which we have marked in Guernsey for the last six years.

Thinking about and talking about our own death and the people we care about dying can be scary sometimes, painful and uncomfortable - but also-helps us appreciate what we have, thought-provoking and utterly joyful at others. One thing is for sure, it feels better having this conversation together in the open.

We all have known someone who has died, someone who has been bereaved and someone who will miss us when we're gone. And yet, nearly all of us struggle with thinking about, planning and talking about death. Especially with the people we love the most. As part of Dying Matters week in Guernsey we are creating events and making space for these conversations."

Creative opportunity:

As part of this festival Guernsey Arts Commission are working in partnership with Health and Social Care to offer the opportunity for two Creatives to respond to the title of the festival 'Going out with the tide'. The Arts provide a unique platform to hold difficult conversations. Taking inspiration from the title of our project and the ethos of the Dying Matters Awareness week we invite Creatives to submit sketches, ideas of artwork they would produce in response to this. It can be in any 2D visual format be it photography, painting, drawing etc. The two chosen Creatives will each receive £500 kindly funded by Guernsey Arts Commission and their artwork will be displayed on Market Terrace for the duration of Dying Matter week 13th – 19th of May. The artwork will be displayed on a 9ft high by 12ft wide structure.

Further information:

- This opportunity is open to students, professional and none professional Artist/Creatives.
- The artwork will need to be created in the ratio for the structure. 9 height x 12 wide.
- If the artwork is not digital we can scan it.
- If you submit a photograph please make sure it is of a high enough resolution to be blown up to the scale of the structure.
- Please submit a written explanation of what 'Going out with the Tide' means to you and your response to it. This will accompany your artwork should it be chosen.
- We invite all candidates to research the 'Dying Matters' Campaign. www.dyingmatters.org

Deadline for submission is Friday the 6th of April.

Selected Creatives will be informed the week of 8th of April.

Artwork to be received to go to print Monday the 6th of May.

For further information and to apply please contact Lottie Barnes, lottie.barnes@gov.gg. Please note that large files will need to be emailed via WeTransfer. Or you can drop off a proposal to the Porters Lodge at the PEH for the attention of Lottie Barnes.



