

ABC Art Trail 2020 selection criteria and terms and conditions

The ABC Art Trail is a trail which leads you through a showcase of work by local artists and designer makers.

What the ABC Art Trail is looking for when selecting artists

The Trail welcomes diverse, original and creative quality work that is hand made in Attenborough, Beeston, Chilwell and neighbouring areas. Consideration is given to the hand made nature of items as well as the professional presentation of work and the use of appropriate packaging where necessary. Mass produced goods of any type are not acceptable.

How to get your work selected?

Please fill in the application form ensuring that you follow all instructions accurately especially those regarding photographs. All applications will go before the Committee for consideration. You will then be invited to present your work to the committee and show your venue so that it can be assessed if it is suitable. Not all artists/designer makers need to provide their own venue, but are encouraged to find a venue within the Art Trail area. We may be able to accommodate some artists at existing venues.

Criteria for selection

All work must be made by the artist/designer makers who signed up for the Trail, no other artists can join you unless they have been accepted by the ABCAT selection committee. Work must add to the diversity of the Trail and be different from that of other artists/designers.

All items must be handmade, unique and of a high quality. No mass-produced items.

All work should be professionally displayed and presented. 2D artwork should be either framed or mounted. Box canvases are also acceptable.

Prices of all work on the Trail must be clearly displayed.

In order to participate, artists/designers will be expected to hold current public liability insurance both at the date of acceptance and the date of the Trail.

You are required to actively contribute to the organisation of the Trail and help distribute the publicity material as well as publicising the event on your social media and mailing list.

Artists must be prepared to open for the whole time of the event and be present in person during the opening hours.

What are the costs involved in being a member of ABC Art Trail?

If accepted, you will need to contribute to the cost of printing the publicity material, in previous years this has been around £20 per year per member. Some venues also incur additional costs for the hire of the venue; these costs will be shared out among the artists at that venue. The costs are amazing value and kept low, as you are also required to actively contribute to the organisation of the Trail and help distribute the publicity material.

Insurance

All artists must provide proof of up-to-date Public Liability Insurance. This can be obtained by joining a-n, the artists network and costs about £38 pa. (<https://www.a-n.co.uk/about/insurance>). Proof of insurance should ideally be provided along with your application form but if not, you will have to submit it in order to accept your place on the Trail. Please note your insurance must be current at the time of submitting the documents. If your insurance runs out before the Trail, it is your responsibility to renew it and send a renewed copy to the email address on the application form on the day you renew it. If you do not have insurance you will not be allowed to participate in the Trail.

Facebook

Successful candidates will be sent an invitation to join the Secret “ABCAT Artists Group” on Facebook. It is essential that all participating artists/designer makers join the group by accepting the invitation and check it regularly, this helps to streamline communication. Mentors are available to help you with this.

Health and safety

If accepted you will receive further details about health and safety requirements for the event.

Mentors

Successful candidates can request to be paired up with an experienced member, who will be available to help you with advice leading up to the Trail.

Copyright

Artists/Makers exhibiting works for sale under the auspices of ABCAT shall not show anything that will infringe the copyright or licensed image of any published or unpublished source without the appropriate permission to do so. (You will sign a declaration to this effect on the application form).