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Falkirk and Stirling Visual Artist Awards Scheme Closing date for applications 14 September 2007

This scheme is open to artists resident in the Falkirk and Stirling Council area. For more information, please contact Lesley MacArthur on 01324 506260 or at lesley.macarthur@falkirk.gov.uk

Welcome to the 17th Edition of Funding at Falkirk, a quarterly bulletin that aims to provide up-to-date information on key funding opportunities for every size of project.

This edition includes information on funds ranging from the Landscape Partnerships Scheme, a Heritage Lottery Fund initiative, which addresses landscape needs, a variety of funders including the Esme Fairbairn Trust - one of the largest independent grant making trusts in the UK - as well as a range of small grants for community and voluntary organisations including funding for small scale regeneration projects from Comic Relief. There's also information on the Veolia Environmental Trust offering grants up to £150,000 - this trust funds community and environmental initiatives located within 5 miles of a Veolia facility throughout the UK – Scotland is however a cold spot for them and they would be interested in receiving more applications

from north of the border.

We have included details on the current situation in relation to European Structural Funds and information on the EU's new Daphne III programme which will provide grant support to projects that help with the prevention of and fight against all forms of violence against children, young people and women.

There are details of recent successful applications from this area to the Awards for All Fund and information on the support available to the community and voluntary sector from CVS Falkirk and District and the Volunteer Centre.

We are planning to start circulating concise e-bulletins frequently but will continue with our newsletter on a periodic basis. If you have any comments/suggestions please contact the External Funding Unit on funding@falkirk.gov.uk, tel:01324 506065.

LOTTERY



Landscape Partnerships

This initiative allows partnerships, (which can include charities, constituted groups and local authorities) representing a range of heritage and community interests to tackle the needs of landscapes, whose various elements may be in different ownership. It caters for applications based round a portfolio of projects, which combine to provide a varied package of benefits to an area, its communities and its visitors. Grants ranging from £250,000 to £2 million are available. Landscape Partnership schemes must include programmes of work projects and activities that meet all four of the programme's priorities to ensure long-term social, economic and environmental benefits for rural areas. The priorities are:

- Conserving or restoring the built and natural features that create the historic character of the landscape;
- Conserving and celebrating the cultural associations and activities of the landscape area;
- Encouraging more people to access, learn about, become involved in and make decisions on their landscape heritage;
- Improving understanding of local craft and other skills by proving training opportunities.

There are two deadlines for applications each year – 01 April and 01 October. More information can be found at www.hlf.org.uk/English/HowToApply/OurGrantGivingProgrammes/LandscapePartnerships/, telephone 020 7591 6000 or email enquire@hlf.org.uk

Funding for Young Film Makers

Supported by the UK Film Council and the National Lottery, First Light provides grants to young people aged between 5 and 18 to participate in all aspects of film productions. There are two funding streams: the Pilot Awards which provides grants of up to £5,000 for the production of a 5 minute film and the Studio Awards, which provides grants of up to £25,000 for films up to

10 minutes long. First Light is keen to support teaching professionals who wish to use film making in the class room. The closing date for the Studio Award is **25 September 2007**. Applications for the Pilot Award can be made at any time. You'll find more information at www.firstlightmovies.com/funding/, telephone 0121 753 4866 or email info@firstlightmovies.com

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LOTTERY (continued)

Awards for All

Since the last newsletter a number of groups have received funding from the Awards for All Programme –

Sir William Wallace Grand Lodge of Free Colliers - £4200. The grant will fund entertainment fees, catering and transport hire

International Cultural Forum - £9672.

The grant will pay for computers and monitors, digital projector and screen, printer, laptop pc, software and licences, venue hire, publicity costs, pa/audio/visual equipment hire, band hire and entertainment costs.

Open Secret - £10,000.

The grant will pay for a server, software, training costs, broadband costs, 3 PC's and 2 Laptops.

Falkirk Model Railway Club - £2067.

Funding will see the Falkirk Model Railway Club purchase a new trailer.

Falkirk Girls' Football Club - £2500.

Funding will pay for facility hire, printing and production costs, and the fees of sessional and coaching staff.

Grange Primary School - £4159.

The grant will fund goal posts, tables, benches, basketball hoops, friendship stop, sports activity set, large outdoor games set and a wooden play train

Denny and District Homing Society - £9800.

The award will fund electronic timing systems and a computer for the group.

Bo'ness Homing Society - £10,000.

The award will fund the purchase of electronic timing systems for the group.

Laurieston and District Homing Society - £8370.

The grant is for electronic timing systems.

FUNDING TO TACKLE DISADVANTAGE AND DEPRIVATION

Esme Fairbairn Foundation - Social Change, Enterprise and Independence Programme

Charities and not-for-profit organisations working towards tackling deprivation within disadvantaged communities may be eligible to apply for funding through the Esme Fairbairn Foundation – one of the largest independent grant making trusts in the United Kingdom. The Foundation has a number of programmes, including the Social Change; Enterprise and Independence programme under which funding is available for projects that aim to develop a more enterprising approach to tackle disadvantage and projects that promote financial independence. Activities supported include helping voluntary and community groups develop a greater degree of sustainability, promoting social enterprises, developing new and innovative approaches in tackling financial exclusion and making financial and advice services within disadvantaged communities more integrated and accessible. There is no set maximum level of grant, but the average award made over the last year was approximately £50,000. Applications can be made at any time. For more information, go to www.esmefairbairn.org.uk/programmes/sd.html, telephone 020 7297 4700 or email info@esmefairbairn.org.uk

Comic Relief - Funding for Small Scale Regeneration Projects

Local community groups, community enterprises and registered charities that address social and economic deprivation within specific geographic areas such as a housing estate, neighbourhood or village may be eligible to apply for grants of

up to £5,000 through Comic Relief's Disadvantaged Communities programme. The focus of the programme is on small scale local projects which were started by local residents who came together to try to make their community better. This programme does not support work over a larger area, for example, city-wide initiatives or across a whole town. To be eligible applicants need to have a turnover of less than £150,000. Applications can be made at any time. More information at www.comicrelief.com/apply-for-a-grant/uk/application/dc-preview.php, telephone 020 7820 5555 or email red@comicrelief.org.uk

Coalfields Regeneration Trust's Community Grants Scheme

The Trust has recently launched a new grants scheme offering grants of up to £500. It will run from August 2007 till 31 March 2008 and is open to any constituted group, not for profit or voluntary organisation that is contributing to the regeneration of coalfield areas and their communities. The fund will pay for a range of activities including start up costs, advertising, training, putting on an event and technical support. For more information or an application form, telephone 01259 272127 or write to Coalfields Regeneration Trust 2/6 The E Centre, Cooperage Way Business Village, Cooperage Way, Alloa FK10 4NB. Please note that, as with other Coalfields Regeneration Trust programmes, projects must be based in eligible coalfield communities or be able to show clear and immediate benefits for an eligible coalfield community. Eligible wards in Falkirk Council's area are Grange and Blackness; Dean; Kinneil and Whitecross; and Forthside.



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ENVIRONMENTAL

Veolia Environmental Trust – looking for more applications from Scotland

The Trust is aiming to support community and environmental projects including projects to install or enhance play areas and skate parks, restore footpaths and green spaces, protect natural habitats, improve community halls and restore churches.

Grants of up to £150,000 are available towards environmentally focused projects through the Trust which since 1997 has given £30 million in grants to over 600 community and environmental initiatives. Projects supported through the Trust can include reclaiming land that has been disused or used as a landfill site or coal mining site, installing and refurbishing play facilities, improving the natural habitat and encouraging biodiversity through the creation of nature reserves and preserving or restoring buildings of historical or religious importance.

Projects must be located within 5 miles of a Veolia Environmental Services facility. Applications can be made at any time. More information at www.onyxenvtrust.org, by telephoning 01902 794 677 or email info@veoliatrust.org.

E.ON Source Fund -Funding for Local Sustainable Energy

Local community groups and not for profit organisations that wish to implement sustainable energy projects in their buildings can apply for grants of up to £30,000 through the E.ON Source Fund. Joint applications with local authorities will also be considered, but the community or voluntary group must be the lead applicant. Schools, local-based and national charities, special education colleges and wildlife parks have received funding in the past. Projects that can be considered for funding include the purchase and installation of one or more renewable energy technologies (e.g. wind, solar thermal, PV, wood etc); the renovation of existing facilities to incorporate micro-generation technology; an energy efficiency makeover for buildings that could demonstrate significant energy savings and also behavioural change amongst users; the use of new or

innovative technology to deliver either energy savings or micro-generation capacity; projects which can demonstrate the intelligent use of waste energy. The next deadline for applications is Friday 21 December 2007. Details of the fund can be found at www.eon-uk.com/about2688.aspx or email source@eon-uk.com.

Support for Schools to Become Eco Friendly

Schools, together with their pupils that wish to make a positive contribution to the environment can register to become an Eco School. Once registered as an Eco School, schools will be part an international group of schools working towards education for sustainable development and a better quality of life for local and global communities and will be eligible to apply for funding to help them progress through the programme. The Eco Schools programme operates throughout the UK. However the funding and other support available to schools to implement eco-friendly activities varies. In Scotland grants of £250 are available to schools to help them with future eco activities. More information at www.eco-schools.org.uk/, telephone 01786 468234 or email ecoschools@ksbscotland.org.uk

It's Your Community Initiative

O2 have committed £1 million to the "It's Your Community" initiative. It's Your Community, which is managed by the Conservation Foundation, provides grants of £100 to £1,000 to individuals and groups to improve their local environment. The type of projects supported in the past included environmental projects such as turning derelict land into an amenity park or wildlife area, tree planting, creating a wildlife pond, renovating neglected river and canal footpaths, providing water butts and recycling facilities in village halls, etc. Applications can be made at any time and are judged on the 20th of every month. More information at

www.conservationfoundation.co.uk/ActLocalAwards.php or telephone 0207 591 3111.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Rural Development Small Awards Fund - final deadline in September

The Rural Development Small Awards Fund provides grants of between £500 and £5,000 for a wide range of community development activities including project planning, maximising community involvement, capacity building, consultation exercises or gathering of local ideas. The Scottish Executive who fund this programme are looking for a creative approach to communities' requirements. For the purposes of this fund, a rural area is defined as a settlement of less than 3000 people. Final date for applications is 29 September. More information is available at www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Rural/rural-policy/16780/6554, telephone 0131 334 3885 or email rdsaf@scotland.gsi.gov.uk.

HBOS Foundation - Community Action Programme

Through its Community Action programme, the HBOS Foundation makes grants of up to £10,000 to support a diverse range of local activities. The programme which is available in those communities where the HBOS bank operates is open to registered charities and has two key themes.

Money advice and financial literacy

Developing and improving local communities.

Previous successful applications include a grant of £2,500 to a special school to purchase an adapted tricycle providing pupils with the opportunity to engage in fun filled exercise sessions whilst providing much needed sensory stimulation and a grant of £2,100 to purchase sensory play equipment, arts and crafts materials and a number of musical instruments for a family support centre based in Perth for children, young people and adults with autistic spectrum disorder. Applications can be made at any time. More information at www.hbosfoundation.org/index-community.html, or telephone 0845 673 2005.



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OTHER FUNDS

Charles Hayward Foundation - main and small grants programmes

This Foundation considers applications mainly for capital costs under its various funding streams. The funding streams which are currently open include heritage and conservation; criminal justice; hospices; older people; and certain overseas projects. The trust has recently reviewed its grant-making policy so that it can focus on a narrower range of activities within each stream. There is both a main grants programme (typically awards from £10,000 to £25,000) and a small grants programme (grants up to £5000). Applications are normally accepted only from registered charities. For detailed information on the Foundation's criteria, go to www.charleshaywardfoundation.org.uk, or telephone 020 7370 7063.

Women's Fund for Scotland

The Scottish Community Foundation is accepting applications under the 2007 – 08 Women's Fund for Scotland. Under this joint initiative between Engender and the Scottish Community Foundation grants of up to £5,000 are available to organisations run by and for women and those that seek to support and empower women. Closing date for applications is **14 December 2007**. Go to www.scottishcf.org/page8613.cfm for more information on the Women's Fund and other grants in the Fund's programme, or telephone 0141 225 6670.

Active Living Fund – removing barriers to physical activity

Grants of up to £1,000 are available through the Kelloggs Active Living Fund for projects that remove the "barriers" which stop people being active. Charities, voluntary and community organisations as well as schools can apply for support with the cost of activities that lead to people taking part in sustained physical activity, particularly where projects are looking at innovative ways to get non-active people active; existing projects or activities that adapt or expand so that they are available to new groups of people or new geographical areas; and existing projects or activities that need new or replacement equipment, or existing projects that require replacement funding. A panel of Kellogg's employees meets every two months to assess applications and applicants should be notified of the decision on their application within approximately 10 weeks of submitting your application. For more information, go to www.kelloggs.co.uk/company/corporateresponsibility/initiatives.aspx or email darren@communityfoundation.co.uk.

Grants Available to Support the Effective use of Volunteers

The Voluntary Action Fund has received £125,000 of funding from the Scottish Executive to establish the GO4 Volunteering Grant Scheme to support small voluntary organisations that are volunteer-led. The GO4 Volunteering Grant Scheme was established to help local voluntary organisations to build their skills around recruiting and supporting volunteers. Examples of activities that can be funded include: training programmes for voluntary management committees; training programmes for volunteers; visits to more established organisations to share their experience of what works well with volunteering; the fund will not consider funding volunteer 'thank-you' or 'award ceremony' events, the purchase of equipment, on-going volunteers' expenses or on-going running costs. For more information, please go to www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/grant-schemes/g4v, telephone : 01383 620780 or email info@voluntaryactionfund.org.uk

Historic Scotland Funding

Historic Scotland, which safeguards the Scotland's historic environment and promotes its understanding, has a small sponsorship fund which can support many diverse projects such as the sponsorship of conferences and the costs associated with producing publications. Applications that meet Historic Scotland's agreed priorities are considered three times a year (April, August and December) and decisions informed shortly thereafter. However, recipients of grant under any other stream of grant assistance from Historic Scotland will not be eligible to apply to this fund. More details at <http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/grants/sponsorshipfund.htm>. The organisation also has grants to promote the involvement of voluntary organisations in safeguarding Scotland's historic environment and promote its understanding and enjoyment in a number of ways. The closing date for applications is 30 September each year. More information on this scheme at www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/index/grants/voluntarysectorfunding.htm, telephone 0131 668 8805 or email martin.ross@scotland.gsi.gov.uk. There are no minimum or maximum grants for either grant scheme but both attract a considerable number of applications.



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EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL FUNDS

The operational programmes for the 2007-2013 structural funds programme have now been released.

The priorities for the Lowlands & Uplands Scotland ERDF Programme:

Priority 1: Research and Innovation

Priority 2: Enterprise Growth

Priority 3: Urban Regeneration

Priority 4: Rural Development

And for the Lowlands & Uplands Scotland ESF Programme:

Priority 1: Progressing into Employment

Priority 2: Progressing through Employment

Priority 3: Improving Access to Lifelong Learning

It is expected that the programme will begin in October 2007.

ERDF and ESF will be both managed ESEP Ltd.

For further information go to www.esep.co.uk

SNIPPETS

The Foyle Foundation

This Foundation has produced new guidelines for its grants programme which covers learning, the arts and health – grants mainly range from £10,000 to £50,000. Applicants must be registered charities. The guidelines can be found on their website – www.foylefoundation.org.uk, by emailing info@foylefoundation.org.uk or by phoning 020 7430 9119.

EU Announces new Daphne III Programme

The European Commission has announced that the first call for proposals under the new Daphne III programme is likely to be announced in September/October 2007. The programme's objective will be to provide financial support in the form of grants to projects that contribute to the prevention of, and the fight against, all forms of violence occurring in the public or the private domain against children, young people and women, including sexual exploitation and trafficking in human beings, by taking preventive measures and by providing support and protection for victims and groups at risk. The programme will be open to applications by Non Governmental Organisations (NGOs), local public authorities and institutions (mainly universities and research institutes). More information at ec.europa.eu/justice_home/funding/daphne3/funding_daphne3_en.htm

BBC Children in Need

The next deadline for BBC Children in Need is in November 2007. The fund is currently developing a new application form – more information on this when available. BBC Children in Need recently moved west from Edinburgh to Glasgow – contact details are now Fraser Falconer, Head of BBC Children in Need, Scotland, BBC Scotland (G10), 40 Pacific Quay, Glasgow G51 1DA, telephone 0141 422 6111, email fraser.falconer@bbc.co.uk.



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Useful Contacts

European Union - Enlargement

www.europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement/index.htm

This site includes access to information on the countries, the pre-accession programme and contacts.

Scottish ESF Objective 3 Programme www.objective3.org

East of Scotland European Partnership www.esep.co.uk

East of Scotland European Consortium www.esec.org.uk

European Commission www.europa.eu.int

Scottish Executive www.scotland.gov.uk

National Lottery www.lotteryfunding.org.uk

Sportscotland www.sportscotland.org.uk

Heritage Lottery Fund www.hlf.org.uk

Big Lottery Fund www.biglotteryfund.org.uk

Awards for All www.awardsforall.org.uk

Coalfields Regeneration Trust www.coalfields-regen.org.uk

Department of Culture Media and Sport www.dcms.gov.uk

Scottish Screen www.scottishscreen.com

Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations www.scvo.org.uk

Scottish Arts Council www.sac.org.uk

Local Government International Bureau www.lgib.gov.uk

European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training www.cedefop.eu.int

Lottery Telephone Contacts

The Scottish Arts Council Help Desk 0131 240 2443

Heritage Lottery Fund 0131 225 9450

Sport Scotland Lottery Fund 0131 317 7200

Awards for All 0870 240 2391

Scottish Screen 0141 302 1700

Big Lottery Fund 0141 242 1400

SUPPORT FOR YOUR GROUP

CVS Falkirk and District and Volunteer Centre Falkirk support the development of the community and voluntary sector locally.

If you are developing your organisation or setting up a new group, they can provide information on funding, constitutions, developing projects, employing staff, OSCR (charity regulator) and lots more. Contact Muriel Young, Capacity Building Officer.

If your group works with children or young people, then you can get practical support on lots of different issues around safeguarding children from Mae Bell, Child Protection Officer. Mae has put together a comprehensive programme of training topics that are very relevant to safeguarding children and will be of interest to the many groups in the area who work with children and young people.

If you want help with recruiting and managing volunteers – or if you want to volunteer, then contact Karen Sellar, Volunteering Development Officer, who can help you with everything there is to know about volunteering

The CVS & VC Falkirk have just launched their training calendar with over 30 training events covering a wide range of topics from Involving Volunteers and Volunteer Management, Practical Employment Law and Business Planning to Child Protection, Disclosures and Dealing with the Media to name just a few. First sessions start at the beginning of October so to see the full list and to book a place follow this link to training section on their website www.cvsfalkirk.org.uk/training/

If you want a copy of their training calendar posted out to you, or if you wish further information about CVS Falkirk and District and Volunteer Centre Falkirk, contact their office 01324 692000 or go to their website on www.cvsfalkirk.org.uk/

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If you would like a copy in community languages, braille, large print or audio-tape contact 01324 506065 email funding@falkirk.gov.uk

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