







THE DEMOCRATIC SET: Information for applicants

What will I get out of taking part?

This is a fantastic opportunity to work with Australia's world-renowned Back to Back Theatre; to work with an experience Director and Videographer. Everyone who applies will be invited to the previews and gala premiere of the film. This is a voluntary opportunity to be part of a film of our city.

What is the THE DEMOCRATIC SET?

THE DEMOCRATIC SET is a rapid series of short live performances and screen-based video portraits created in collaboration with communities.

You are invited you to create your own 15-second portrait or performance to camera. All of these 15 second clips will be edited together to make the final film.

Filming takes place in a custom-made film set, a three sided box with entrance/exits on either side. You have control over what you do in the set and how to use your 20-minute time slot. You will be supported by an experienced team led by a Director and Videographer to realise your ideas.

THE DEMOCRATIC SET came to the UK for the first time for In Between Time's IBT10 Festival. You can watch the film on our website. Go to www.inbetweentime.co.uk/our-work/we-are-bristol/the-democratic-set

How much does it cost to take part?

It doesn't cost you anything. This is a voluntary opportunity and we want you to come and get involved.

Who are you looking for?

We are looking for you! We want to celebrate the people that make Bristol what it is, so wherever you live in Bristol and whatever your background, you can give this a go.

My child wants to take part – how will they be supported?

Anyone under 18 will need to have parental/guardian consent to take part and will need to be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Back to Back have over 9 years' experience working with people of all ages around the world to create THE DEMOCRATIC SET and we have safeguarding policies in place.

I've never performed before can I still take part?

Yes! THE DEMOCRATIC SET is open to everyone. It doesn't matter if you have never been in front of a camera before. Performances can be as simple as people wish. Past performances have included a child sleeping or an entire Bristol family dressed as flies.

Can I apply with a friend or as a group?

Yes. THE DEMOCRATIC SET is open to individuals, pairs and groups of up to 15 people. If you want to come as part of a group but also want to perform on your own, you will need to make a separate application.

How do you choose who will take part?

We want the final film to celebrate as many different people as possible in our city and we will select participants to achieve this. We are working with partners across the city to give as many people from communities where the filming is taking place the chance to take part.

THE DEMOCRATIC SET is the first of many *We Are Bristol* projects. Everyone who applies will be given the opportunity to get involved in more projects coming up. Whether you end up taking part or not, everyone who applies can contribute to a digital project.

What is We Are Bristol?

We Are Bristol is a three-year programme which offers people living in Bristol the chance work together and create extraordinary artwork and events with artists that work across visual art, theatre, dance, music and activism. Find out more www.inbetweentime.co.uk/our-work/we-are-bristol

Sign up to our e-newsletter to be the first to hear about opportunities to get involved with *We Are Bristol*. THE DEMOCRATIC SET is the launch event for We Are Bristol

What happens on the day?

We encourage you to **arrive at least 20 minutes before** your slot so you can watch the person before you and see how the process works. When it is your turn you will have 20 minutes (40 if you are a large group) where you can experiment with the set and try out different things. You will collaborate with the project team to realise your idea and create something to be captured on camera within the 15 second time-frame

Can I bring someone with me who is not performing?

Yes, people who are not performing are welcome to come and watch the process of the film being made.

How accessible is the venue/SET?

Both venues are wheelchair accessible and have accessible toilets. The SET is accessible. For any questions about access and to let us know how we can best support you please email wearebristiol@inbetweentime.co.uk or call 0117 370 6383

Who will see the film?

There will be a preview of the film for everyone who performed and applied, as well as their families and friends. You will also be invited to a gala premiere of the film.

How will I find out about when the film is shown?

When you apply you will need to provide us with an email address or phone number so that we can invite you to the film premiere.

Who are Back to Back Theatre?

Back to Back Theatre are one of Australia's most globally recognised and respected contemporary theatre companies.

More details about the company can be found at http://backtobacktheatre.com

How can I find out more about In Between Time?

In Between Time (IBT) is a registered charity and arts producer based in Bristol. IBT produce IBT Festivals that take place across the city's cultural centres, public spaces, neighbourhoods, and unusual spaces. We bring together leading international artists, UK artists and audiences to develop Bristol as a home for artistic innovation. You can find more at inbetweentime.co.uk and via our regular e-newsletter.

How can I speak to someone to find out more?

Please call Georgia, IBT's Engagement Officer on <u>0117 370 6383</u> or email wearebristol@inbetweentime.co.uk