

## CALL TO ARTISTS – CHRISTMAS LIGHT NIGHT

OVADA exists to facilitate and promote access to high quality visual arts for all the residents of and visitors to Oxfordshire. We aim to put artists, the development of their practice and its successful promotion to audiences, at the heart of our work. OVADA is proud to be part of this year's *Christmas Light Night* when cultural venues across Oxford welcome thousands of visitors during a special late night opening. On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2011 OVADA will take over one of the City's most attractive and historical buildings, Oxford Town Hall, for one night only!

**OVADA is looking for a maximum of 10 artists working in the South East region** to use this unique opportunity to produce new work that responds to the physical space or the history of Oxford Town Hall. Work will be showcased in over 5 intriguing spaces including the Judges Room, Court Room and Panel Room - all situated in the beautiful Grade II listed building at the heart of the historic City of Oxford. **Work in any medium will be considered, but the space is particularly suited to film, video, sound, light, installation, performance and live work.** Proposals from collaborations are also welcome. Work should provide the audience with an extraordinary experience as they explore the building and see the Town Hall's heritage in a new light. **Due to the site-specific nature of this project we highly recommend viewing the spaces available to artists before submitting a proposal.** For a chance to discuss the opportunity further and take a guided tour of the building please meet promptly at the Town Hall Reception on one of the dates below. We regret that we cannot arrange visits during any other time.

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 5pm  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 3:30pm  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm

### Interested artists should submit the following:

- CV - no more than 1 x A4 page
- Artist Statement – maximum of 400 words
- Documentation of previous relevant work in the form of printouts or CD (maximum of 10 images and DVDs should comprise of a shorter edit of any work longer than 10 minutes). Please do not send original work.
- Proposal - no longer than 1 x A4 sheet outlining the work that you would like to produce or details of appropriate existing work that you wish to exhibit on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2011. Please also include details of equipment requirements.

**All work must somehow respond to Oxford Town Hall.**

Please include a stamped addressed envelope with correct postage if you wish for your application to be returned.

Artists will be chosen from open submission by an experienced panel of selectors and will be notified within one week of the closing date by email.

Artists are ultimately responsible for covering all costs incurred however OVADA is able to contribute a limited amount of £50 per artist towards travel and materials. OVADA may be able to offer a limited selection of AV equipment but it is preferred that artists provide their own. Depending on the nature of the work most artists will be required to be at the Town Hall for the entire day of Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December to assist installing and taking down their work.

Please apply by post to:  
Lucy Phillips – Arts Coordinator  
OVADA  
East Oxford Community Centre  
Princes Street  
Oxford OX4 1DD

Or send via email to: [info@ovada.org.uk](mailto:info@ovada.org.uk)

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

Please contact Lucy Phillips at OVADA for all enquires:  
07875 722050 / [info@ovada.org.uk](mailto:info@ovada.org.uk)

You can register as an OVADA Friend for free to receive regular updates about our programme and opportunities for artists: [www.ovada.org.uk](http://www.ovada.org.uk).

For further information about Oxford Town Hall please visit the links below:

Directions: <http://www.oxford.gov.uk/PageRender/decTH/HowToFindOxfordTownHall.htm>

Virtual Tour: <http://www.chem.ox.ac.uk/oxfordtour/oxfordcitytours/townhall.asp>

Photos: <http://picasaweb.google.com/oxfordcitycouncil/OxfordTownHallVenueHire?feat=embedwebsite#>

Floor Plans: <http://www.oxford.gov.uk/Direct/OxfordTownHallRoomLayoutsandTechnicalSpecifications.pdf>



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