

CAS Associate Artists – Our Values

Our CAS associates are a group of professional artists, who come together at all stages of their careers, to support, nurture, and share their work with others. Based in a 19th century Dissenter's Chapel, and in tune with its original inhabitants, the associates are committed to questioning the status quo, pushing boundaries, and opening conversations with the world around them.

As an organisation, Chapel Arts Studios (CAS), provides the operational support and structure that enables this associate network to grow and thrive.

As part of the application process, Associates embrace a set of values, cultures and behaviours which defines CAS and its Associate network.

CAS: Culture, Values and Behaviours

Our values are woven into everything we do and enable us to really connect with people as we deliver our work. Below is a description of their meaning to us.

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Our Values:

Art for everyone

- ❖ We believe in the value of contemporary art within society and are passionate about sharing this with others.
- ❖ We have a passion for great art and strive to ensure quality and excellence in all that we do.
- ❖ We put inclusivity and diversity of art and audiences at the top of our consideration and subsequent actions.
- ❖ We seek out creative opportunities that engage others.
- ❖ We'll be CAS ambassadors and champion its work.

Creating collaborative and meaningful relationships with people and communities

People and communities are at the heart of all we do within our Associates, CAS and outwardly with our partners, funders and stakeholders.

- ❖ We bring energy, enthusiasm and ambition to all that we do with CAS.

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- ❖ We embrace challenges, helping each other to be resilient through friendship, understanding and by growing together as artists and people.
- ❖ We show understanding and respect to others, nurturing inclusivity at all times.
- ❖ We create strong relationships and partnerships with other artists and CAS staff and nurture these with care

Stretching creative practices and fostering inclusive learning environments for all

- ❖ We encourage experimental approaches, challenging perceptions, possibilities and practices, and providing the opportunity for learning as a key part of our work.
- ❖ We appreciate the value of working with a broad range of people, including young people and vulnerable people of all ages.
- ❖ We provide artistic leadership to others, supporting the growth of our artists and nurturing creative leaders.
- ❖ We demonstrate and record learning within ourselves and for others, and we willingly share our knowledge and experiences to benefit other artists.
- ❖ We take an active interest in the local, regional, national and even global arts scene and share our inspirational discoveries.

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