### **ELEVATE** EDUCATION Project Groups Introduction

### ELEVATE Education -Lambeth's Cultural Education Partnership (LCEP)

A strategic, cross-sector partnership strengthening creative and cultural education for all children and young people (CYP) who live and learn in Lambeth.

This is a pilot year for our project groups, which will give teachers the chance to explore the breadth of Lambeth's cultural offer. Our cultural partners will have the chance to directly connect with teachers on their learning opportunities.

We want to ignite creativity, inspire young people and create fresh opportunities for schools and cultural organisations.

### Project Groups

**ELEVATE Champions** (Teaching staff network)

**Culture Shift** (Innovative and inclusive practice)

**Creative Careers** (Sector visibility and development pathways)

**Create + Connect** (Joining up Lambeth's cultural offer)

**Everyone's an artist** (Youth participation)

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### PROJECT GROUP **STRATEGY** Igniting Lambeth with an inspiring arts education offer through a sustainable partnership. ELEVATE **CHAMPIONS** CULTURE Education SHIFT Partners (schools) Lambeth CREATIVE Project Cultural CAREERS Groups Education Partnership Culture **EVERYONE'S** Sector **AN ARTIST** Partners CONNECT + CREATE

ELEVATE'S AIM Increase awareness and access to a coherent, inclusive, rich and dynamic arts and cultural offer.

## LAMBETH CONNECT + CREATE Connecting Lambeth's



Participate in a borough wide consultation to identify strengths, gaps and opportunities in Lambeth's arts and cultural offer for schools.



Lambeth schools will benefit from a resource which displays our boroughs cultural landscape + increases visibility for Lambeth's cultural organisations.



Celebrate with a dance flash mob in Summer 2022. Share your ideas for celebratory events across the next academic year.



### LED BY BOURY ACADEMY

Caroline Boury - Director Jasette Amos - Outreach Manager

The Boury Academy CIC is an affordable Performing Arts School. Their mission is to increase access to the arts and therefore increase diversity in the culture sector through that access. They build confidence, creativity and community cohesion by providing a safe place outside of school for young people. They also offer after school clubs and performing arts workshops for Lambeth schools.

- Boury is passionate about showcasing Lambeth as the best place to learn and grow up through increasing access to the arts.
- Boury will also be exploring how best to secure funding for both schools and cultural partners to grow new relationships and funding models.

Join the first Create + Connect meeting in January 2022 and input your ideas into the consultation.

# CULTURE SHIFT

ELEVATE's AIM Promote best practice in diversity, access & inclusion.

Innovative + Inclusive Practice



Develop creative ways to teach and discuss diverse narratives in the classroom.



Build confidence in growing creativity + the ability to deliver creative lessons.



Engage your school with culture sector professionals that exemplify diverse role models working in the arts.



BXP aims to produce an inspiring calendar of events for 2022-2023, that signposts a range of cultural events/celebrations.



#### LED BY BRIXTON PROJECT

Aoife Delaney - Project Coordinator Binki Taylor - Brixton Project Partner Jessica Dyer - Design & Digital Manager

The Brixton Project works to create a cultural environment in our public places and spaces, where children and young people can recognise themselves and their heritage as a significant factor in unlocking their agency in the progress of cultural decolonisation. BXP will support teachers' through equipping them with the skills and confidence to effectively teach and discuss diverse narratives in the classroom.

They want to:

- Expand the capacity to talk, enquire, raise curiosity, improve confidence, openness and broaden perceptions using creativity and culture as a basis and engage the group in the social narrative of decolonisation locally, nationally, globally (such as the current Culture Wars debate).
- Help young people feel more inspired and represented in the cultural sector.
- Ensure teachers, CYP and Lambeth's wider community are culturally better connected and have access to community organisations and events that champion diversity and creativity.
- Allow for professionals in the culture sector to have a contact and space where they can signpost the community to their work.
- Improve engagement with priority groups of young people including those who are care experienced; deaf, disabled & neurodiverse; under 5, 16-18 Portuguese speaking.

Members will take part in three meetings from January 2022, including opportunities to attend cultural events.

**ELEVATE's AIM** Supporting teachers to lead and ignite creativity in Lambeth schools.

students:

### ELEVATE Champions **Teaching Staff** Network







Opportunitues to visit cultural venues in the borough and learn about a range of arts and cultural offers.



**Opportunities to** showcase arts and culture from your own school.



Share the learning from test projects in schools to inform a wider CPD programme for teachers during 2022/2023



Jenny Smith - Brixton Learning Collaborative Rachel Thomas - Windmill School Cluster

BLC & Windmill Cluster Partnership Managers have considerable experience in designing school based creative programmes facilitating networks of creative practitioners, arts, cultural and STEAM organisations and school-based staff. Their close working relationship with teachers across the borough gives them a strong foundation to start building a network of champions. ELEVATE Champions will strengthen our networks by encouraging schools and settings to nominate an ELEVATE Champion to be part of a group of teaching staff who lead and ignite creativity in Lambeth schools.

Members will take part in three network meetings from January 2022, including some practical CPD.

Partner organisations in the ELEVATE Champions group: Pegasus Opera / Neon Performing Arts / Corali Dance Company / Southbank Centre

### EVERYONE'S AN ARTIST! Youth Participation

ELEVATE'S AIM Develop and support programmes that encourage all young people to shape and participate in cultural opportunities.



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#### LED BY OXYGEN ARTS

#### Marsha Lowe - Agency Director and Exchanges Lead

Oxygen Arts is a creative production agency that specialises in targeting and working with diverse communities. Oxygen is currently leading the Black British Ballet project, which aims to address the historic underrepresentation of black dancers in British ballet. As a social enterprise, profits are invested into digital arts training for young people of the global majority in London and abroad. Oxygen want to connect young people across the 'Black Atlantic' to create digital art that explores the issues that impact their lives, enables them to speak truth to power and gives them an opportunity of a career in the industry.

Oxygen want to:

- Encourage more children and young people to engage in Lambeth's cultural offer and to better understand the barriers to participation.
- Link this local data to wider evidence around the positive impact of arts participation on health and wellbeing and educational attainment.

Members will take part in three network meetings across the school year from February 2022.



Help cultural partners to feel more connected to children and young people's needs and interests.



Increase CYP involvement in creating and steering cultural opportunities. ELEVATE'S AIM Connecting CYP with a variety of progression routes and diverse role models in the cultural sector.

# CREATIVE CAREERS

Sector visibility and progression routes





#### LED BY THE OLD VIC

Hannah Fosker - Education and Community Director

The Old Vic is London's independent not-for-profit theatre, a world leader in creativity and entertainment, building on 203 years of creative adventure. The Old Vic aims to showcase groundbreaking art that is always accessible, their education and talent programmes allow students to explore and artists of tomorrow to create.

They want to:

- Ensure CYP and teachers have better knowledge of progression routes in the cultural sector.
- Help teachers and parents see creative careers as a viable progression route.

Members will take part in three network meetings from the Spring term into Autumn 2022.



Participate in focus groups to gain knowledge of progression routes into the cultural sector.



Engage your school with culture sector professionals that exemplify diverse role models working in the arts.



Professionals in the culture sector have a contact and space where they can signpost schools to their career programmes.



Old Vic aims to produce Creative Careers festival in Autumn 2022 for Secondary school with cultural partners across ELEVATE.

## **CREATIVE THEME**

A shared starting point for any artistic outputs across project groups

### BELONGING

Our sense of belonging is a complex mix of our diverse heritage, current experience, and aspirations.

Lambeth's rich cultural landscape is reflective of our past, a canvas for our future and is a strong foundation for our ownership and cohesion.

'Belonging' also speaks of our shared responsibility to each other and to our environment.



### **ELEVATE Education dates for the diary**

**21/22** - Throughout the academic year, we come together in person and online. For school contacts this is a chance to get an update about groups you are not in. This is also an opportunity for our cultural partners to share their new school offers directly with teachers.

