



Lewisham Borough of Culture - Education Update (December 2021 – Part 1)

Lewisham Education Arts Network (LEAN), as the official education partner for Lewisham Borough of Culture 2022, will be ensuring schools, colleges, and early years settings across the entire borough are kept up-to-date on plans as they are confirmed.

To download our previous education update newsletters - click [here](#)

If you know someone working in Lewisham's schools or early years settings that hasn't already signed up to be a Cultural Connector send them [here](#) now!

UPDATES!



Plans for Borough of Culture 2022 Announced!

Lewisham has officially unveiled plans for Borough of Culture 2022!! The programme of highlight events taking place next year was announced at a special launch event at the Rivoli Ballroom last week with Lewisham Mayor Damien Egan, Deputy Mayor for Culture Justine Simons, writer and performer Innua Ellams and lots of local heroes in attendance.

Highlights of the programme for Borough of Culture 2022 include:

- **Day One** - A joyous celebration across the borough with activity happening every hour, schools across Lewisham performing the L-Boc Bop, live music in unusual spaces and a mass dance collective in Lewisham central.
- **Revolution Through Music** - A series of musical events, sound systems and installations celebrating diverse musical styles and local performers. Including Love is Attention in March, Rebel Music in May, Beyond Borders in August and Underground Lewisham in October (plus much more music throughout).
- **Breathe: 2022** - An artwork by Invisible Dust which will explicitly relates to the death of Ella Adoo-Kissi-Debrah and the growing battle for climate justice, as well as the need for action on the rising air pollution levels in the borough and beyond.
- **Hope for Justice** - An epic call to climate action which will see hundreds of local young people coming together in a local park for a large-scale family-friendly event featuring dance, music and spoken word.

And so much more!!

Read all about the programme for Borough of Culture 2022 [here!](#)

Monthly Creative Challenge



Launching in January, each month will see Borough of Culture set a creative challenge to inspire mass creativity and positive change. Schools, nurseries, community groups, families and absolutely everyone is encouraged to join in and share your creative challenge journey on social media using the hashtag #Lewisham2022

Hopefully you have started on the first creative challenge already - learning the L-BoC BOP.

This fun dance sequence created by Irie! Dance Theatre will be performed by on Day One (28th Jan) so get your class learning it!

The training video to learn the LBoC Bop can be found [here!](#)

COMING UP!

PLOT17 – eco hip hop show for KS2



Apples and Snakes are seeking interest from 4 Lewisham Primary schools who would like a brilliant environmental hip-hop show for KS2 to visit their playgrounds in the summer term 2022.

Plot 17 is a mobile block party travelling the world raising awareness, inspiring action and spreading the message of "making things green", with a soundtrack guaranteed to make you want to plant a tree and sure to help the seeds grow. Using spoken word, lyrics, visuals and DJ-ing, Plot 17 is an interactive performance for ages 7 – 11.

Apple and Snakes are seeking funding to offer it for FREE, and want to hear from at least 4 local primary schools which they can name of their future funding applications.

The **deadline for schools to express interest is Monday 13 December 2021.**

Contact Lisa Mead- lisa@applesandsnakes.org/ **07966 447736 to express your schools interest now!**

Trinity Laban presents LIVE DANCE Showcase 2022!



Live Dance is a celebration of dance open to all Lewisham Schools. You create and rehearse your dance at school with any group of your choice and then come to the theatre on the day of the show for a dress rehearsal on stage and the evening performance.

Whilst the usual venue, The Broadway Theatre, is closed for refurbishment, Trinity Laban are excited to say that the showcase is likely to take place at **Blackheath Halls** on **Monday 28 February and Tuesday 01 March 2022**. They are keen to establish school interest and availability in taking part at this new venue.

Please email Colette Murray for full information and an Expression of Interest Form:
c.murray@trinitylaban.ac.uk

Design a Monument to 2022!



Goldsmiths CCA are running a competition for young people aged 4 - 16 years old.

*"What do **you** think should be remembered and memorialised? What do **you** want to say about 2022 that's relevant for people now, and for people in the future? What form should new monuments take?"*

Up to 50 entries will be present in a publication alongside their forthcoming Spring exhibition, Testament. This exhibition will show proposals for monuments by 50 international artists who are all exploring questions around history, memory and identity.

Entries can express an idea for a monument in any way. It could be a sketch, a piece of writing, a collage, a painting, a sculpture, a photograph or whatever best communicates the applicants thoughts, wishes and fears for the future.

Deadline for entries is **Midnight on 31st December** - **more details about the competition and some ideas to inspire you can be found [here!](#)**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES!

Lewisham Creative Change Fund 2022



The Lewisham Creative Change fund will reopen in January 2022 for proposals for activity taking place in July - December 2022.

A further £75,000 will be made available to enable local community groups and artists to lead and deliver on their own creative projects that align with *We Are Lewisham*. As before, schools will be eligible to apply for funds for their projects (total amounts available not yet confirmed), and priority will be given to groups looking to also work with other communities outside of their school/educational settings.

More details of the application process and deadlines will be circulated as soon as they are confirmed!

LEAN will continue to share Borough of Culture news via this regular mailout, and there are lots of other ways to keep-in-touch.

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