

A Creative Charter

In support of creating collaborative arts engagements...

In support of cultural community life & generously living together...

Anam Beo

Arts, Health & Wellbeing Organisation

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Facilitating artists & staff will endeavour to:

Respect people as members of a creative & collaborative community.

Provide person centred engagement.

Support participants to explore their potential & respect their decisions.

Evaluate art projects and processes via feedback.

Engage & actively listen.

Ensure that concerns and issues are addressed.

Be respectful to others and maintain a dignified environment.

To actively seek informed consent in the use of a persons image.

Consult with family/care givers in relation to the capacity.

To ensure consent for the use of a persons artwork that they create.

Participants will endeavour to:

Be part of collaborative activities to develop creatively with art engagements.

Be respectful to others and maintain a dignified environment.

Ask for support and guidance when needed.

Inform facilitators if they do not wish or consent the use of their image or artwork.

Give feedback.

Creative producers, organisations or interested parties will endeavour to:

Ensure people are aware of, have access to and are able to make the most of opportunities to interact and engage in all aspects of cultural community life.

Represent older adults programmes and appropriately communicate best practices and supports.

Ensure that all involved are fully consulted if programme supports or necessities change.

Ensure that any issues are addressed as soon as possible.

In the use a persons image or art they create, ask the person if they would like support when deciding about consent.

Ask family members or supporters how best to support the person to understand and communicate consent.

Foresees and adapts to needs and preferences, with the goal of ensuring that we have a say in the decisions affecting our lives and, importantly, in the matters that impact our communities.

In support of cultural community life & generously living together...

Facilitating artists & staff will endeavour to:

Provide relevant information for diverse communities.

Developing & managing their relevant creative practices.

Seek guidance & professionals to create a supportive environment.

Participate in training opportunities when available and promote a community spirit of inclusion & kindness.

Monitor accessible spaces where safety and health are priorities and where energy, skill sets and other resources are optimised and purposeful.

Provide access to technical resources based on need.

Ensure all policies/procedures are reviewed regularly.

Promotes the inclusion of people & values their contribution to community life.

Participants will endeavour to:

Be conscious of fellow participants & spaces.

Promote a community spirit of inclusion & kindness.

Tell artist or staff when you encounter a problem.

Plan ahead for availability of technical resources.

Give feedback.

Creative producers, organisations or interested parties will endeavour to:

Consult people in the development of policy specific to arts & cultural engagement.

Communicate with key people in resolving disputes and disagreements.

Enhance cultural life through supporting best practice.

Develop opportunities to engage in a diverse range of arts and cultural experiences.

Contribute to making our community a better place to live and engage in creativity.

To be ambitious and positive about the potential of collaborations.

Embrace flexibility in the creative process, allowing projects to evolve.

Respond creatively to challenges and opportunities, fostering a dynamic and collaborative arts engagement for a more resilient and innovative outcome.

Use of community noticeboards, websites and information outlets to provide appropriate information about local services and events happening in the area.

Who we are.

Anam Beo is a non-profit organisation that serves as a collective for artistic skill sharing & social innovations.

Anam Beo aims to inspire and involve, older adults in arts engagements, communities to generously live together, ensure visibility and challenge ageism.

Artists promote a place for arts and creative endeavours in nurturing safe environments & sustainable communities. Using adaptive projects & spaces for inclusion, voice & arts production, where arts practices are with, for and by the community.

This creative charter was originally co-authored by Rowena Keaveny and Julie Spollen through a 2018 project award from the Community Foundation Ireland. It is intended to provide a framework of understanding & become a useful resource for artists, participants, creative producers, interested parties & relevant bodies.

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