

# **Creative commissions about climate change and COP26**



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# Introduction



The **British Council** is looking for people to apply to create an arts and culture project ready for the **United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26)** in November 2021.



The **British Council** helps the UK to work together with other countries using arts, education and culture.



**United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26)** is a large meeting where lots of countries from around the world talk about **Climate Change**.



It is happening in Glasgow in November 2021.



**Climate change** is the way the weather is changing around the world caused by pollution and other factors.



## Creative commissions

A **commission** is where you are given some money and support to create something.



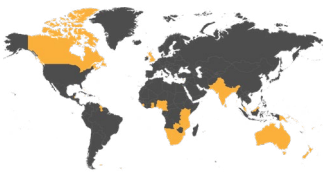
We are looking to support between 12 and 20 projects and pay between £30,000 to £50,000 towards each one.

# What are we looking for?



We are looking for projects that:

- involve more than one person or organisation working together



- involve people from different countries



- involve people with different jobs and skills. For example city planners, engineers, artists and scientists



- will carry on after the commission and involve lots more people in the future



- will encourage young people aged 18 to 24 to get involved



- share the experiences of people who have been affected by climate change, to help everyone understand it better



- give people from different backgrounds and communities the chance to speak up



- do not create more pollution and are good for the environment.

# Ideas for projects

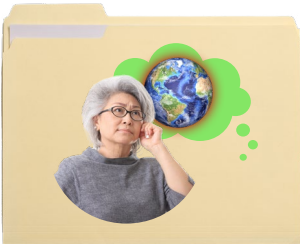


We are looking for projects:

- where people work together on things that really matter



- where different countries work together to make a change



- which help people to understand climate change



- which show how arts and culture can help to deal with climate change



- which help the environment and the planet



- which help people know about COP26.



## Who can apply?



We want applications which:

- have a new idea
- have 1 **partner** in the UK and 1 from an another country. The country outside the UK must be on the list of countries on **page 16**



A **partner** is a person or organisation that is working together with you on the project.



- are looking for between £30,000 and £50,000. You can also get money from other places as well if you want



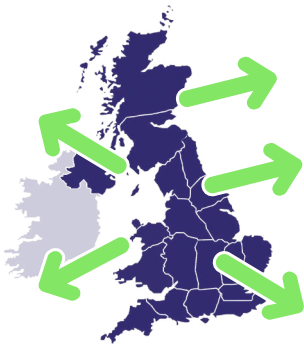




- are signed by all the partners. We will arrange communications with the partner that is in the UK



- show that the partners have managed large projects in the past



- help the other country or counties outside the UK



- work in a way that includes and is fair to people from all different communities.

## Your project



We want you to plan, design and make your project between March and November 2021.



You can show your project wherever you want. But you must tell us beforehand.



You should show that you have worked on other projects that are good for the environment.



You will own your project.



You must let us show your project on our website.



You must keep in touch with us after the project has finished.

## How we choose



We will choose projects that:

- have a really good idea



- show that partners are working well together



- have a big impact on people

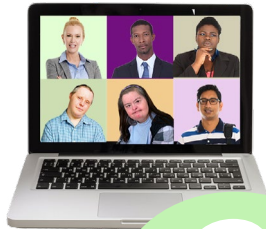


- are high quality



- are good value for money.

## Information surgeries



An **information surgery** is an online meeting.

You can talk with us and ask us questions about the commissions.

These surgeries will be video meetings.



The surgeries will be in English. Click on the links to book your place at one of these surgeries.



- **Information Surgery 1:**  
Tuesday, 10 November 2020  
10am to 11:30am



- **Information Surgery 2:**  
Wednesday, 18 November 2020  
4pm to 5:30pm



- **Information Surgery 3:**  
Monday, 23 November 2020  
2pm to 3:30pm

## How to apply



You can apply by completing the application form.



You must send your application to us by 10pm on Sunday, 13 December 2020.



Send your application to:  
**[creativecommissions@britishcouncil.org](mailto:creativecommissions@britishcouncil.org)**

You can send your application either written on the form, or by video.



If you need any support to apply in another way, please email us:  
**[creativecommissions@britishcouncil.org](mailto:creativecommissions@britishcouncil.org)**

We look forward to receiving your application.

## What next



In the 2 weeks starting Monday, 18 January 2021, we will choose some people to:

- give us more information about their projects
- come to an interview.



We will choose between 12 and 20 projects.



We will tell you if we have chosen you in the week starting Monday, 8 February 2021.



We want you to work on your project between March and November 2021.



## Evaluation

Between November 2021 and January 2022, we will write a report about the projects.



The report will help everyone to understand what went well and what could have been better.





## The list of countries that can take part in the creative commissions

Afghanistan	Morocco
Albania	Mozambique
Algeria	Myanmar
Argentina	Namibia
Armenia	Nepal
Azerbaijan	Nigeria
Bangladesh	North Macedonia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Occupied Palestinian Territories
Botswana	Pakistan
Brazil	Peru
China	Philippines
Colombia	Rwanda
Cuba	Senegal
Egypt	Serbia
Ethiopia	Sierra Leone
Georgia	South Africa
Ghana	South Sudan
India	Sri Lanka
Indonesia	Sudan
Iraq	Syria
Jamaica	Tanzania
Jordan	Thailand
Kazakhstan	Tunisia
Kenya	Turkey
Kosovo	Uganda
Lebanon	Ukraine
Libya	Uzbekistan
Malaysia	Venezuela
Malawi	Vietnam
Mauritius	Yemen
Mexico	Zambia
Montenegro	Zimbabwe

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