

CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Culture

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.
2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.
4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

The Cross-Party Group on Culture will seek to provide:

- another forum to discuss cultural matters and ideas (meeting quarterly)
- something different from other CPGs, by making use of the talent in the sector to put on engaging performances and guest speakers
- an opportunity for stimulating discussion about ideas as well as processes/artforms
- a platform for further and wider learning (making use of social media and podcasting)
- a showcase for the arts in Parliament

We believe this Cross-Party Group to be in the public interest, as it will allow for fuller scrutiny of issues facing the cultural sector than is currently provided during Parliament time. The arts and creative industries have demonstrated their contribution to the Scottish economy and offer unique and engaging solutions to many of the problems we as a society are currently facing.

There are currently no overlaps we have identified with existing/proposed Cross-Party Groups.

Topics the Group has identified for discussion include:

- Cultural regeneration
- International Culture Summit report
- Examples of international best practice in terms of cultural provision
- Mapping Scotland's cultural infrastructure
- Skills development and training

- Creativity in education
- BBC Charter
- Arts and health
- Community empowerment

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

George Adam (SNP)

Alex Cole-Hamilton (Liberal Democrat)

Claire Baker (Labour)

Jackson Carlaw (Conservative)

Ash Denham (SNP)

Jamie Greene (Conservative)

Ross Greer (Green)

Lewis Macdonald (Labour)

Ben Macpherson (SNP)

Pauline McNeill (Labour)

Gillian Martin (SNP)

Joan McAlpine (SNP)

Gail Ross (SNP)

NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals

Adam Behr

Alison Cresswell

Miles Harrison

Dr Jane Humphries

Wendy Law

Sarah Masson

	<p>Jen McGregor Jacqueline Whymark</p>
<p>Organisations</p>	<p>Active Events Arts and Business Scotland Beacon Arts Centre Catalyst Productions CCA Chapman Publishing Ltd Craft Scotland Craft Town Scotland Creative Scotland Cultural Benefits Culture Counts Dogstar Theatre Dundee Contemporary Arts East Renfrewshire Culture and Leisure Edinburgh College of Art Edinburgh Festival Fringe Society Edinburgh Festivals Edinburgh MELA Equity Federation of Scottish Theatre Grid Iron Hands up for Trad Into Film Licketyspit Theatre Live Music Now Luath Press Ltd Making Music MediaScot</p>

	Museums Galleries Scotland The Musicians' Union Queen Margaret University National Theatre of Scotland Royal Society for the Arts Scotland Contemporary Art Network Scottish Music Industry Association Scottish Refugee Council Scottish Youth Theatre Skills Development Scotland Tapsalteerie Traditional Music and Song Association Traditional Music Forum University of Aberdeen University of Glasgow Voluntary Arts Scotland Writers' Guild of Great Britain Wylie Youth Juice Creative Ltd
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GROUP OFFICE BEARERS

Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener	Joan McAlpine MSP
Deputy Convener	Pauline McNeill MSP
Secretary	Creative Scotland
Treasurer	Creative Scotland

FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly

or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

Creative Scotland will provide Secretariat support to the group. This includes processing payments, covering the catering and AV costs of the group, as well as the fees/travel expenses for CPG performers/panellists who are travelling to Edinburgh for CPG meetings.

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount to be charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

n/a

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

Name	Joan McAlpine MSP
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STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT

I declare that the Cross-Party Group on <SUBJECT> is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament.

Signed

Date