

# WHAT NEXT? NORFOLK NORWICH VISUAL ART FORUM AND A-N

HOST AN OPEN DISCUSSION ABOUT PAYING  
ARTISTS AS PART OF LIVING WAGE WEEK

WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER  
4-7PM AT CITY HALL, NORWICH  
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

**Free event for artists, students, arts organisers and anyone interested in Fair Pay issues.**

Using an Open Space-style discussion format, we will pose the question '*How to achieve fair pay for artists*'.

We will hear from a-n about the Paying Artists campaign, from artists and arts organisers about their experiences and insights and you will be able to contribute questions to the agenda for open-table discussion.

Come along, with your thoughts and questions, to City Hall at 3.45 for 4pm to take part in this rolling and open discussion, all welcome.

**Please reserve a place at [www.payingartists.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.payingartists.eventbrite.co.uk)** so that we know you are coming. If you can't arrive at 4pm, please come when you can and join in.



Programme

**3.30-4pm arrival and opportunity to post questions**

**4pm Presentations to set the scene for discussion**

**Alistair Gentry on a-n/AIR Paying Artists Campaign**

*Alistair Gentry is a writer and artist, or an artist and writer. He has worked nationally and internationally in the visual and performing arts, and was a founder member of the artist-led East Anglian research and development group Market Project (2010-2013, supported by Escalator/Arts Council England).*

**4.10 Independent artist Lawrence Bradby**

**Lawrence Bradby is an artist, part of the collaborative practice Townley and Bradby.**

*Last year Lawrence ran a series of public discussion events at firstsite gallery (Colchester) called 'Artists On The Gallery Payroll' looking at the relationship between an institution and the artists that it employs. For the Living Wage event Lawrence will present data on the earnings and employment status of artists in Norwich. He will link this to wider economic issues and the recent report from the Social Mobility and Child Poverty Commission.*

**4.20 Representation from an arts organisation (tbc)**

**4.30 Councillor Alan Waters on the Living Wage campaign and how local authorities and other businesses have become Living Wage employers**

*Cllr Alan Waters is the deputy Leader of Norwich City Council and works for the Local Government Information Unit. He is a passionate advocate for Living Wage.*

**4.45pm Open Space-style discussion**

We are looking for positive solutions to contribute towards the Paying Artists campaign and as such questions raised will include '*What will contemporary arts look like with Fair Pay for Artists*' and '*How can we help galleries pay artists*'. Questions will be added on the day by people attending the event.

**Approx 6.30pm Summary**

After the event, we will summarise the discussions and identify solutions to support the **Paying Artists campaign** '*that seeks to ensure a healthy future for the visual arts across the UK*'. The summary will be available to all interested parties and will form part of the case for Fair Pay for artists.

**7pm close. All times approximate and subject to change.**

**More info [www.livingwagenorwich.org.uk](http://www.livingwagenorwich.org.uk)**

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