

YouthLink Scotland

Cultural Commission

A response for the youth sector (phase 1)

(from Gordon Clayton, Education Officer, Midlothian Council)

Request from the commission:

"To help everyone focus in the same way, we ask that you do three things: take the citizen's perspective, think radically, and look ahead to the conditions that ought to prevail for the next generation."

The commission is currently asking for your views on the following (please respond in bullet point format):

Education: How do we develop artistic, cultural and social skills and provide cultural knowledge for young people in Scotland?

By raising status in schools and by building a sustainable programme of youth arts

The institutional infrastructure: How best to organise and support the cultural sector in Scotland to deliver the maximum value in the most effective manner to young people? ---Devolve funds and decision-making to community planning areas As well as regional centres of excellence

The delivery of services and access to them: How best to provide cultural facilities and ensure the widest access for young people?

Free transport to those in full-time education will help + subsidised training

Marketing and promotion: How to increase and broaden the profile of the young audience and the young people engaging with cultural activity in Scotland?

Link with young scot and offer discounts

Encouraging creativity: What is the best way to maximise the creative potential of the young people of Scotland?

By harnessing the potential of enthusiastic creative by adults by providing sustainable employment in areas where the arts are underrepresented. Short-term NOF funding has unearthed the latent interest in the arts

For further information:

Further information can be found on the Commissions website:

Website: <http://www.culturalcommission.org>

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