





Easy Read Application Pack for MK Calling

This pack has all the information you need to find out more about and apply for MK Gallery's open call exhibition, MK Calling.

Contents	
 23	Pages 2-3 What is MK Calling?
 456	Pages 4-6 How do I apply?
 67	Pages 6-7 What are the themes?
 89	Pages 8-9 Other key information

What is MK Calling?



MK Gallery is an Art Gallery in Milton Keynes.

MK Calling is MK Gallery's **open call exhibition**.

This means that artists can apply to have their work on display at MK Gallery.



You can apply:


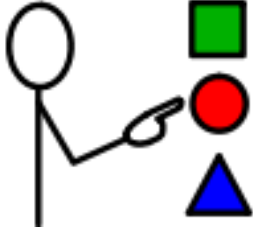



- As an **Artist** by yourself
- As an **Artist Collective** or **Artist Group**



All types of artworks are welcome in MK Calling!

For example:

- Graphic design
- Illustration
- Sculpture
- performance
- Video/animation
- Audio
- Textiles
- Ceramics
- Furniture
- Architecture

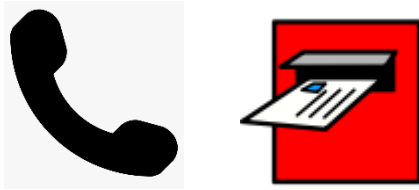
	<p>For MK Calling 2024, MK Gallery are working together with five different local groups.</p>
	<p>These groups will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose the artworks that will be on display in one of our Gallery spaces • Choose the theme for that Gallery space.
	<p>The community groups choosing the artworks are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MK SNAP • Q Alliance • Visually Impaired People Group • Unknown Collective • Middle Eastern Cultural Group
	<p>The last date you can apply for MK Calling is 30th November 2023, at midnight.</p>
	<p>The MK Calling exhibition will be open 21st June until mid - September 2024.</p>

How do I apply to MK Calling?



To apply for MK Calling, you can submit your application to a website called **Zealous**.

Click this link to see it: ["MK Calling 2024" - organised by MK Gallery on Zealous](#)



If you **do not always have access to the internet**, or would **prefer to send us your application in the post**, then there is a printable application pack at the bottom of the Zealous page.

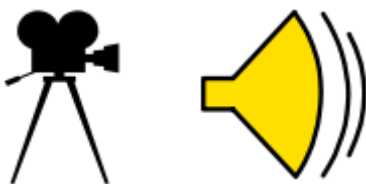
Please telephone MK Gallery on **01908 676 900** if you need any help.

3


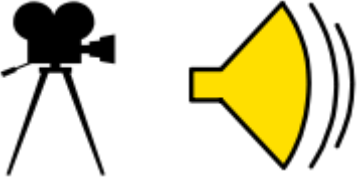


You can submit **up to three** separate artworks to MK Calling.



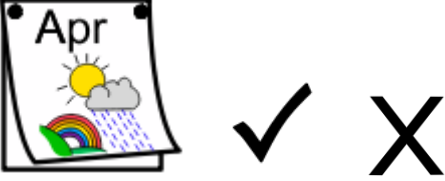

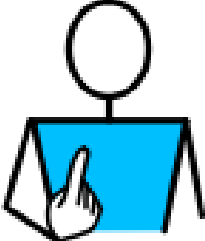


You can share up to three images of each artwork with us in your application.



You can also share video or audio artwork files with us.

	<p>To share video or audio files with us, please upload them to Vimeo or YouTube.</p> <p>Then, copy and paste a link into your application.</p>
	<p>Video, audio, and image files need to be saved as certain sizes, qualities, file types, and time lengths.</p> <p>To find out more about this, click here and scroll to the Submission Process section.</p>
	<p>Please include some information about yourself too!</p>
	<p>You could share this with us in a video or voice recording, or a written CV or artist biography if you have one.</p> <p>The most important thing is that we can learn about you, and the art that you make.</p>

	<p>If you would prefer to be contacted via Zealous through a family member/friend/carer/support worker instead, then make sure to include their contact details too!</p>
	<p>A final thing you (or a family member/friend/carer/support worker) will need to do, is fill in a Recruitment Monitoring Form.</p> <p>You can download this here from the guidelines section on Zealous.</p>
	<p>You will be contacted in January 2024 if your artwork has been selected.</p>
<p>What are the themes for MK Calling?</p>	
	<p>Your artwork(s) must link to at least one of the five themes chosen by our community groups.</p>
	<p>Theme1: Identity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What makes you, you? - Your interests/culture - Embracing our differences

	<p>Theme 2: Seeing Differently</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Using all your senses -Experiencing artwork up close -Accessibility/Inclusivity
	<p>Theme 3: Possible Unknowns / What makes art human?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -World building -Different realities/worlds -Things that are strange or mysterious!
	<p>Theme 4: First Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Life experiences -Small moments or things that have had a big impact on you e.g. your first kiss, coming out to your family
	<p>Theme 5: Third Culture Creatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Tradition -Heritage -National identity -Storytelling
	<p>To read about the themes in more detail, see the main application pack on Zealous.</p>

Other key information

(for full Terms & Condition's, please the main application pack)



You do **not need to pay** to enter MK Calling.



Unfortunately, we are unable to provide feedback on unsuccessful applications.



Video and Audio artworks may be shown on a loop with other artworks.



Artists submitting to the **seeing differently theme**, agree to their artwork being **touched** by some visitors.



If your artworks are selected, **you are responsible for transporting them to and from MK Gallery.**



We will tell you which days to come on.

If you have any questions about your application, or any of the information above, please contact:

info@mkgallery.org / 01908 676 900

Thank you to Amber Stother, Public Engagement Assistant at Venture Arts, who proof-read and consulted on this easy read guide.