

## Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar:

### The arts and education - creative learning and cultural education in Wales

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Venue: Park Inn Hotel, Mary Ann Street, Cardiff CF10 2JH



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Rhianon Passmore AM**, Member, Cross-Party Group on Children and Young People
- 9.05 - 9.25 **Arts education and fostering a Welsh creative economy**  
**Brad Birch**, Playwright, Undeb and Royal Shakespeare Company  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 - 9.55 **Challenges and opportunities for arts education in Wales**  
**Phil George**, Chairman, Arts Council of Wales  
**Diane Hebb**, Director of Engagement and Participation, Arts Council of Wales  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 - 10.55 **Developing the new expressive arts curriculum**  
*What are the main elements that should be included within the Expressive Arts element of the new national curriculum and how best should schools create an appropriate balance between these in light of time pressures on the school day? How can arts and culture be woven into the teaching of other subjects? What are notable examples of best practice in fostering student engagement and how is arts education being shown to contribute to general attainment? What steps can be taken to integrate Welsh history, culture and language into the arts curriculum and what further steps can be taken to support the teaching of Welsh literature in English medium education? How should the new curriculum balance the teaching of foundational skills with supporting the creativity of students?*  
**Emma Coulthard**, Head of Music Service, Cardiff County and Vale of Glamorgan Councils  
**Professor Jerry Hunter**, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, School of Welsh, Bangor University and Winner, National Eisteddfod of Wales Prose Medal 2010  
**Carole-Anne Davies**, Chief Executive Officer, Design Commission for Wales  
**Michelle Carwardine-Palmer**, Managing Director, National Theatre Wales  
**Dr Catrin Webster**, MA Pathway Leader, Visual Communication, University of Wales Trinity Saint David  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Rhianon Passmore AM**, Member, Cross-Party Group on Children and Young People
- 11.00 - 11.25 Coffee
- 11.25 - 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Hefin David AM**, Member, Children, Young People and Education Committee
- 11.30 - 12.30 **Practical challenges for implementing *Creative Learning through the Arts*: teacher training, raising attainment and building partnerships**  
*How can schools, cultural organisations and the creative industries be supported to build effective partnerships in order to deliver high quality arts and cultural education? How successful have Regional Arts and Education Networks and Lead Creative Schools been in achieving this to date and what challenges remain? Given the costs associated with extra-curricular activities, what can be done to improve access to cultural opportunities for disadvantaged students? Is wider exposure to creative education throughout primary and early secondary school likely to increase post compulsory take-up? What more can be done to encourage students to take up arts and cultural subjects at GCSE and A-Level? How can non-specialist teachers be supported to deliver creative education? What more can be done to provide appropriate CPD in this area?*  
**Jane Fletcher**, Director of Education, Into Film  
**Tim Pratt**, Director, ASCL Cymru  
**Jason Davies**, Programme Leader for PGCE Secondary DT and ICT, Cardiff Metropolitan University  
**Rhian Jones**, Executive Project Officer, NAWR Arts & Education Network  
**David Baxter**, Head, Arts Active, A2: Connect, Arts and Education Network - Central South Wales  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Government priorities for the future of the arts in Wales**  
**Peter Owen**, Head of Arts Policy Branch, Welsh Government  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**  
**Hefin David AM**, Member, Children, Young People and Education Committee  
**Jonny Roberts**, Associate Editor, Policy Forum for Wales