

News Release

Milton Keynes' teenagers invited to take over arts space



MK Gallery past youth project participant.

This summer, MK Gallery's Project Space will be transformed into a youth hub through *The Secret Self(ie) Project*. From 25 July to 30 August, teenagers aged 13 to 18 will have the opportunity to take over this space and work alongside cutting edge artists, musicians and inspiring youth mentors to create a series of events or exhibitions.

The Secret Self(ie) Project is an opportunity to meet like-minded young people and to explore new ways of thinking.

Dave Ronalds, Programme Manager at MK Gallery said: *"It's great to be working on The Secret Self(ie) Project this summer. It's such a unique opportunity for young people and will give them access to a set of experiences not available elsewhere. They'll have six weeks of working closely with artists and musicians and being in the position to change the direction of the project. They're going to be in complete control and it will be exciting to see what they come up with!"*

Participation is completely free and anyone is welcome. The project will take place throughout the summer, but participants can take part as much or as little as they like during that time. Register to take part by contacting Dave Ronalds on 01908 558 311 or dronalds@mkgallery.org.

For further information, visit <https://www.mkgallery.org/secret-selfie/>.

The Secret Self(ie) Project is generously supported by Children in Need and Milton Keynes Community Foundation.

Notes to Editors

MK Gallery

MK Gallery presents free, changing exhibitions of world class art. Renowned for its exhibitions of international contemporary art, the gallery's programme is diversifying to include historical shows alongside the contemporary.

MK Gallery was founded in Central Milton Keynes in 1999 as part of a major theatre and gallery complex. While the theatre has become one of the most successful outside of London, the gallery opened with a solo show by Gilbert & George and has presented a very broad range of exhibitions, from Archigram to Gilberto Zorio via Michael Craig-Martin, Nasreen Mohamedi, Piranesi and Andy Warhol. The gallery frequently tours its exhibitions to international partners across the world, is a regular publisher, and producer of a dynamic and diverse public programme, working closely with local schools and community groups.

MK Gallery is part of the Arts Council's National Portfolio and a member of the Plus Tate network.

MK Gallery, 900 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 3QA. www.mkgallery.org

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