



GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

Artist brief - September 2023

Guildford Cathedral hosts a wide range of free entry exhibitions each year, welcoming thousands of visitors to this unique and important building. The Post-box Toppers Exhibition aims to bring together the best examples of post box toppers from in and around Surrey in an exhibition that celebrates creativity, fibre arts and talent in an 'open to all' exhibition space.

Opening in April 2024, the exhibition will invite applications across a range of themes and special occasion pieces from a range of artists in what will be the UK's first dedicated Post Box Topper show.

Call Out

Applications are invited from artists who have created toppers and -

- had them on public show at any time up to December 31, 2023.
- Whose toppers fit one of the themes below.
- Who can deliver their Topper to the Cathedral or one of the collection points.
- Who can present their Topper show ready*

Themes

Toppers must fit the criteria above and one of the following themes.

- One of the four seasons, including dates that fall within, e.g. Valentines Day.
- Christmas or Easter.
- Special occasions, such as wedding or birthdays.
- Royal Events.
- Guildford Cathedral (Special Commission, invited artists only)

How to apply

In the first instance, please complete the application form and send it to both guildfordguestcurator@gmail.com and events@guildford-cathedral.org Successful applicants will hear by January 31, 2024, if we are able to include their piece in the show.

Timeline

- First call for applications – September 2023.
- Applications close December 31, 2023.
- Successful artists must deliver the Cathedral no later than 28 February 2024.

Funding

This exhibition will be self-funding, and donations are encouraged via a dedicated fundraising page.

***Show ready** – your topper must be mounted on MDF or hardboard that is the same size as the original post-box.