



Merseyside and Cheshire Branch

Motion for Council

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There are many emerging artists who are finding it difficult to break into our industries, whether in drama, music, dance or any other art forms. There are artists who have graduated from drama school and also those who have been trying to make it for a number of years and have not been successful. This can apply to artists of all ages, particularly in underrepresented communities.

Not getting the work can lead to financial struggles which can then lead to a decline in mental health. There is much undiscovered talent waiting to be discovered, and many artists have worked very hard taking courses, putting together portfolios and getting as much experience as they can. We know that lack of funding is often one of the biggest hurdles, and the way in which organisations fund projects can leave a lot of people feeling isolated.

The Merseyside and Cheshire Branch therefore calls on Council to encourage organisations to fund opportunities for artists of all ages to help towards a more inclusive industry. No one should feel isolated because of their age.