

THERE IS NO NEW WATER

CALL TO JOIN

What does the ocean mean to you? How do you feel as a coastal citizen in Plymouth? And what would you like to do to care for the waters and lands around us?

There is No New Water – Toolkit for Ocean Citizen Action is a 10-month project bringing local people together to explore these questions through creativity, conversation, and action. Working with artists **Owen Griffiths, Alessandra Saviotti, Anne-Marie Culhane, and Dana Olărescu**; participants will **co-create a collaborative artwork/ toolkit** reflecting Plymouth community perspectives on **ocean justice, care, and climate action**. We will also explore the **multi-species inhabitants** and communities of **Plymouth marine, coastal and estuary landscapes** and explore how we **consider other species as citizens**.

This project is an **Ocean Cultures commission** led by Owen Griffiths, produced with **Take A Part**, based in the East End of Plymouth.

WHY JOIN US?

- **Reflect** on what the ocean means to you and your role as a coastal citizen.
- **Contribute** to a community-led **collaborative artwork/toolkit** that can inspire other communities.
- **Explore** creative ways to care for local waters, lands and inhabitants.

All public sessions are **free and open** to anyone based in Plymouth who is passionate about **Ocean Civic Justice** and happy to spend time in the East End.

JOIN THE SESSIONS

(Jan – Feb 2026)

Session -Meet Your Wild Neighbours with Anne-Marie Culhane

- When: Jan 21, 4 PM – 7PM
- Where: National Marine Aquarium
- In this session we will meet and find out about some other species who inhabit the coastal shorelines of Plymouth with us and we'll start to reflect on what it might mean to consider species as part of our community.

BOOK:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/there-is-no-new-water-research-trip-meet-your-wild-neighbours-tickets-1976874501851?aff=oddtcreator>

Session – Introduction to Arte Útil with Owen Griffiths and Alessandra Saviotti

- When: Jan 29, 6 PM– 8PM
- Where: Sappho's
- Explore useful art (Arte Útil) and how creative methods can help us respond to environmental challenges. Contribute your ideas, stories, and perspectives in a hands-on workshop.

BOOK:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/there-is-no-new-water-creative-workshop-an-introduction-to-arte-util-tickets-1976880025372?aff=oddtcreator>

Session – Understanding Toolkits with Owen Griffiths and Alessandra Saviotti

- When: Feb 20, 6 PM–8PM
- Where: Sappho's
- Take part in a creative workshop that looks at the connections between local food systems, the sea, and community action. Your experiences and insights will help shape the collaborative artwork and tools for civic ocean action.

BOOK:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/there-is-no-new-water-creative-workshop-exploring-toolkits-tickets-1976894605983?aff=oddtcreator>

Ocean Cultures is a two-year programme funded by the **Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation**, aiming to establish a community-led model for ocean climate justice in Plymouth, UK.

