

# FREE THE PRESS CALL OUT TO ARTISTS

## Context

The role of the corporate right-wing media in undermining democracy & fragmenting society has never been more obvious, sinister, or urgent. Two Fox News style shows are [launching](#) in the UK this year, threatening to turn us into the same kind of polarised society we have seen for four years in the US. We must be loud & determined in our opposition.

In June, we will be launching a series of events targeting the divisive, climate crisis denying & corrupt billionaire press. This includes a mass demonstration bringing together a broad church of different groups who have been scapegoated by the press or who are working for media reform.

From Feb-May we will be encouraging people across the country to take individual, creative and slowly escalating actions.

## Ask

This is an open invitation to all creators. Let's cover the walls of Britain with our dissent. Let's unite under our diverse tapestry of art, to tell the story of solidarity in the face of immense power. Let's subvert their tyranny in all corners of the country, and liberate ourselves from hate.

### **Are you already doing this? Are you planning on it?**

Tell us about your work, collective or organisation  
Get in touch with ideas for transforming spaces and places  
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Share your existing or new work under #freethepress

*"Media lies unleash insidious forces" - James Murdoch, 2021, after the storming of Capitol Hill*

*"I once asked Rupert Murdoch why he was so opposed to the European Union. 'That's easy,' he replied. 'When I go into Downing Street they do what I say; when I go to Brussels they take no notice.'" - Anthony Hilton*

- [Research into Boris & Murdoch's meetings](#)
  - [General research doc](#)
  - [Boris & Lebedev](#)