

# NRTF Independent Promoters - Conference Bursary 2024

#### What is the offer?

The Independent Promoters conference bursaries are about supporting NRTF member Promoters, who are not attached to a scheme, to attend the 3 day rural touring conference, Weds 12th - Fri 14th June. Those who qualify will receive a free conference ticket worth £350, including accommodation, (member rate).

## Why do we offer conference bursaries?

The NRTF is committed to providing it's members with strategic grants and bursaries throughout the year, this bursary is about:

- Encouraging new participation and diversifying the conference audience
- Promoting professional development opportunities
- Providing a platform for members to network and connect

#### What is the conference about?

The conference is an opportunity for the rural touring and wider cultural sectors to come together:

- Promote partnerships & collaboration locally, nationally & internationally
- Share outcomes, highlight best practice, determine new ways of working
- Promote diversity and cultural understanding through rural touring
- Inspire an equal and inclusive way of working

Those attending the conference as a bursary winner will be linked up with one of our board members who will be a point of contact for questions and connections.

### Who are the bursaries for?

NRTF Member Promoters who may not otherwise be in a financial position to attend the conference - To qualify applicants must fall under one of the following:

- Low income (less than £20,000)
- In receipt of benefits (housing, income support, job seekers allowance)
- Currently unemployed or self-employed
- In full or part-time education / training
- 50% of awardees who meet one of the above criteria will also identify with a protected characteristic but this is not essential to apply.

## What does it mean to have a protected characteristic?

Having a protected characteristic means you have a right not to be treated less favourably, or subjected to an unfair disadvantage, by reason of that characteristic. We actively encourage applications from people currently underrepresented in the cultural sector. We guarantee that at least 50% of applicants who qualify and are awarded bursaries will identify with one or more of the protected characteristics outlined in the application form. This information will remain confidential and will not be shared.

# How do I apply?

Make sure you qualify. You must be a member in order to apply for the bursary, if you are not already a member, you can sign up here for £25 as an individual promoter. <a href="https://www.ruraltouring.org/membership">https://www.ruraltouring.org/membership</a>

Once you have completed the application form (deadline 29th May) we will notify you if you are successful and send you a promo code to register your attendance. After the event we will ask you to complete a feedback form.

For info on the event visit our conference webpage: <a href="https://nrtf.ssboxoffice.com/events/nrtf-conference-2024/">https://nrtf.ssboxoffice.com/events/nrtf-conference-2024/</a>

To Apply:

**Link to Bursary Application Form** 

**Application Deadline: Weds 29th May** 

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