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Animate Projects awarded second grant by Jerwood Charitable Foundation



Digitalis Commissions: Our relationships will become radiant © James Lowne, Five Year Plan © Matilda Tristram

Animate Projects is pleased to announce the award of a second grant by Jerwood Charitable Foundation, following their support of the Digitalis Commissions last year. The new award will enable us to review how the organisation works, and to develop two ambitious new programmes for production and professional development.

Over the past year we have been making substantial changes to the organisation and its programme to ensure that Animate continues in this new climate. As we work to establish a sustainable business model for Animate, the grant is also supporting us to research and develop two projects that we hope will have a significant impact:

Test Flight: An anthology feature film project, enabling mid-career artists to develop storytelling skills and more ambitious film works. Plus exploring the potential of the micro-budget animation feature.

Accelerate: A programme to support professional and practice development in partnership with London College of Communication, including a 'mapping' of current practice, workshops and public events. The first event will take place on 31 October at Apple Store Regent Street as part of London International Animation Festival.

Jerwood Charitable Foundation says, “We recognise the importance of animation as a vital and emerging sector with so many interesting connections and pathways. This second grant recognises Animate Projects as an important agency that is fulfilling a significant role.”

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Notes to editors:

Start Me Up event at Apple Store Regent Street - <http://bit.ly/Pexkfk>

About Jerwood Charitable Foundation

The Jerwood Charitable Foundation is dedicated to imaginative and responsible revenue funding of the arts, supporting artists to develop and grow at important stages in their careers. It works with artists across art forms, from dance and theatre to literature, music and the visual arts. Visit <http://www.jerwoodcharitablefoundation.org>

About Animate Projects

Animate Projects is the only arts charity in the UK dedicated to championing experimental animation. It holds the Animate Collection, a foremost online resource of experimental animation - animateprojects.org - and produces multiplatform projects with a range of prominent partners with internationally renowned artists including: Hiraki Sawa, Apichatpong Weerasethakul, David Shrigley and Jane & Louise Wilson.

Experiments in animation - <http://www.animateprojects.org>

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