## CLORE POETRY AND LITERATURE AWARDS ROUND 7, JUNE 2015

Organisation	Project	Amount
Age Exchange Theatre Blackheath LONDON	A Way with Words A considered intergenerational project for children and young people by this admired company in Blackheath, it will tackle serious literature and involve full-length novels. There will be 12 weekly sessions on novels related to the themes of evacuation and the Holocaust, with older people contributing their memories and young people exploring the experiences. There will be a poet-in-residence in the local library during the school summer holidays and a performance of the children's work at the Age Exchange Theatre, and at local residential care homes. The poetry generated by the project will be made into a book.	£9,770
Arts Connection Powys WALES	Alternative Stories A project for 40 disengaged teenagers in two mainstream schools in Wrexham and Powys. The work of R S Thomas and Grahame Davies will be explored in lively ways using a range of media, creating podcasts, and film-making. Teachers see this as an exciting opportunity to develop new approaches to learning and inclusivity. Writers to lead the project will be chosen through an open tender process. The project is helpfully focused on the locality and the use of digital media is well-considered.	£8,500
Black Cultural Archives Brixton LONDON	The Other Georgians: A Reimagining This project integrates the forthcoming 'The Black Georgians' exhibition of archive materials related to Georgian life. It will involve 240 Year 5 children from Brixton schools, introducing them to the works of 18 <sup>th</sup> -century black writers – Equiano and Sancho. The project will develop INSET and resources for teachers and develop the children's poetic response to the writer's work, leading to a celebratory event. The work will be lead by the poet, Adisa.	£7,933
Collective Encounters Liverpool NORTH WEST	Writing for Change A young writers' programme in North Liverpool which will explore political literature and also develop new writing. A group of 25 14-19 year olds will study political playwrights of the past and present (Brecht, Wesker, Osborne etc.) and receive masterclasses from contemporary writers. They will work with a playwright to develop their own work on political issues to be performed at Unity Theatre, Liverpool. This is an unusual project which is led by a strong local organisation which has attracted a range of impressive funders for its commitment to social change.	£7,000

Dorset Youth Association Dorchester SOUTH WEST	Youth Club: 'Read, Write and Share' A project to pilot the introduction of poetry and literature into a county-wide network of youth club activities in Dorset. This project will encourage youth club leaders and community librarians to include literature and poetry in their activities, providing opportunities for young people to discover and continue reading for pleasure through two-hour sessions for six weeks. This is an energetic attempt to parachute literature into a relatively book free world which is outside formal education.	£9,851
Foyle Down Syndrome Trust Derry NORTHERN IRELAND	The Poet in Us The Foyle Down Syndrome Trust was set up in Derry by parents in 1995. This project is for 17 young people with Down Syndrome who will be offered 40 literature and poetry workshops, focused on local poets and writers. The workshops will be held at the Shared Future Centre and at the public library in Derry. They will culminate in a sharing event in July 2016 at the Brunswick Movie Bowl, compered by Michael O'Donaghue, a young poet with Down Syndrome whose work has been published.	£6,600
High Peak Community Arts Derbyshire EAST MIDLANDS	For the Love of Books The project proposes to run workshops located on social housing estates in Glossop, New Mills and Buxton and aims to introduce young families to books and storytelling. There will be ten weekly sessions for a minimum of ten families, aiming to establish the practice of parents and children reading regularly together. The project is run by an effective local arts organisation with a commitment to generating a love of reading.	£5,000
Ideas Test Kent SOUTH EAST	Wandering Words An unusual application to create a poetry squad (15 young people) who will look at the work of Simon Armitage, Nancy Gaffield and Patience Agbabe before going on their own five day walk along the old drover roads, starting in Medway and ending in Canterbury. A writer and a sound artist will accompany them and the squad will engage with communities along the way. They will then create their own written and sound compositions. The resulting work will be performed in schools, at the 'Wise Words' live event, and as a 30 minute radio show.	£10,000
Ilkley Literature Festival Ilkley YORKSHIRE	Chicken Shop Shakespeare A project to enable less academic secondary school students to connect with Shakespeare, in three schools in Leeds, Bradford and Ilkley. There will be workshops in each school presenting the chosen texts in contemporary language. The students will then produce their own responses in writing. These will also be filmed and placed on the Festival website. The project is a good approach to widening access to Shakespeare and the link with a local literature festival gives it added power.	£9,600

New Mills Business and Enterprise College Derbyshire EAST MIDLANDS	<b>So You Think You Are Funny</b> 20 young people from Year 10 and Year 11 who are reluctant writers will be involved in an eight week comedy writing programme with the Manchester comedy company Comedysportz. The students will learn stand-up and sketch-writing, leading to a comedy evening at the College. The College has been working hard to raise standards and this is one of its new and optimistic responses to support the students' learning.	£2,150
Pop Up Projects CIC Thames Estuary LONDON	<b>Pop-up Tales</b> This inter-generational creative writing project on Canvey Island – a collaboration between Pop Up and Arvon – will see 20 low income parents and children working together with a children's writer and an illustrator over three days to produce an exhibition in words and pictures inspired by joint reading of a well-known children's picture book. The exhibition will feature a short, imaginative film about the project, its participants and the tale they are telling through the exhibition. This Pop Up community project will be part of a planned literature programme across the island in March 2016, called 'Canvey Reads'.	£5,000
Sefton Education Business Partnership Bootle NORTH WEST	<b>My Sefton, My Learning Journey</b> Ten Primary schools which participate in the Children's University will be involved in this project which aims to develop literature-based after school clubs. Schools will receive resources for a six-week after school programme which will be based on the works of Roger McGough and Michael Morpurgo. A writing workshop and a live web workshop will be included, where children will get to meet writers and poets from the local area and children will be involved in learning to write a book. Each school will submit 10 pieces for an anthology which will be printed locally.	£9,061
Templar Arts and Leisure Trust Argyll and Bute SCOTLAND	A visit from Boswell and Johnson A group of 80 young people, drawn from various youth forums in different locations around Argyll and Bute, will be introduced to the works of Johnson and Boswell and their documented tour of the Hebrides. A writer will lead the work and help the young people to develop a contemporary equivalent of the Johnson and Boswell account, focusing on different topics and also involving media artists, to create a graphic account of the areas.	£9,672
TOTAL		£100,137

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