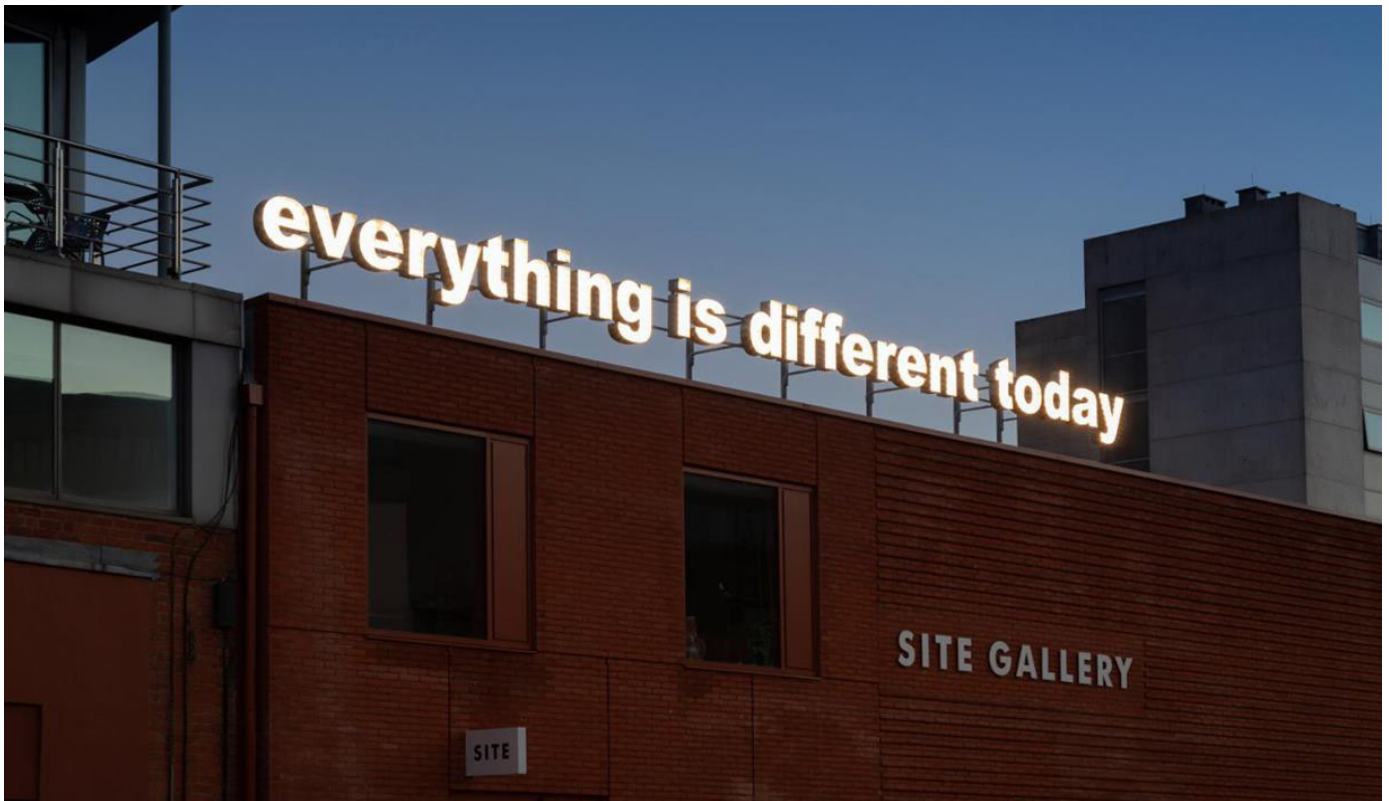


# SITE GALLERY

**Press Release / Monday 12 October 2020**

**SITE GALLERY RECEIVES LIFELINE GRANT FROM GOVERNMENT'S £1.57BN CULTURE RECOVERY FUND.**



Site Gallery has been awarded £112,000 as part of the Government's £1.57 billion Culture Recovery Fund (CRF) to help face the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic and to ensure they have a sustainable future, the Culture Secretary has announced today.

Site Gallery is one of 1,385 cultural and creative organisations across the country receiving urgently needed support. £257 million of investment has been announced today as part of the very first round of the Culture Recovery Fund grants programme being administered by Arts Council England. Further rounds of funding in the cultural and heritage sector are due to be announced over the coming weeks.

Site Gallery, Sheffield is one of Yorkshire's leading contemporary art venues. It attracts over 60,000 visits each year to a programme of exhibitions and events with a focus on new media, digital and performance. Whilst closed for over 6 months, the gallery launched an online programme of events and screenings under the banner WEB/SITE. And it partially re-opened its city centre building to the public in September. This funding will put the business on a much firmer financial footing enabling us to expand our creative activity online as well as ensuring our building, future events and exhibitions are fully accessible and Covid-secure.

**Judith Harry, Executive Director, Site Gallery, said:**

“We are enormously grateful to the UK Government for this support which will enable Site to bounce back from the devastating impact of Coronavirus. We can now prepare with confidence, to welcome people back to the gallery, to participate in events and activities in person, and in these uncertain times, we can expand our online programme WEB/SITE to ensure those unable to visit are still able to engage.”

**Culture Secretary Oliver Dowden said:**

“This funding is a vital boost for the theatres, music venues, museums and cultural organisations that form the soul of our nation. It will protect these special places, save jobs and help the culture sector’s recovery.

“These places and projects are cultural beacons the length and breadth of the country. This unprecedented investment in the arts is proof this government is here for culture, with further support to come in the days and weeks ahead so that the culture sector can bounce back strongly.”

**Chair, Arts Council England, Sir Nicholas Serota, said:**

“Theatres, museums, galleries, dance companies and music venues bring joy to people and life to our cities, towns and villages. This life-changing funding will save thousands of cultural spaces loved by local communities and international audiences. Further funding is still to be announced and we are working hard to support our sector during these challenging times.”

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**Listings**

Site Gallery  
1 - 5 Brown Street,  
Sheffield  
S1 2BS  
Current Opening Hours  
Sunday – Tuesday: closed  
Wednesday – Saturday: 11 – 4  
Entry price: Free

**ACE Boilerplate for notes to editors:**

Arts Council England is the national development agency for creativity and culture. We have set out our strategic vision in [Let’s Create](#) that by 2030 we want England to be a country in which the creativity of each of us is valued and given the chance to flourish and where everyone of us has access to a remarkable range of high quality cultural experiences. We invest public money from Government and The National Lottery to help support the sector and to deliver this vision. [www.artscouncil.org.uk](http://www.artscouncil.org.uk)

Following the Covid-19 crisis, the Arts Council developed a £160 million Emergency Response Package, with nearly 90% coming from the National Lottery, for organisations and individuals needing support. We are also one of several bodies administering the Government’s Culture Recovery Fund and unprecedented support package of £1.57 billion for the culture and heritage sector. Find out more at [www.artscouncil.org.uk/covid19](http://www.artscouncil.org.uk/covid19)

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