

Northants Touring Arts Artistic Programming Policy

NTA will consider submissions from all performers equally.

Our aims:

- ☐ To offer high quality performing arts shows suitable for rural and community touring in Northamptonshire.
- ☐ Achieve a balanced programme of events and art forms across the county.
- ☐ Ensure quality control, artistic integrity, variety, and diversity both artistically and culturally, including work from BME artists and disabled artists.
- ☐ Offer innovative work that will entertain and inspire audiences.
- ☐ Provide opportunities for promoters and audiences in the county to see work that they would otherwise be unable to access.
- ☐ To involve promoters in programming work to the scheme, encouraging them to put forward artists for consideration.
- ☐ Make the best use of limited public money.
- ☐ Support emerging regional artists.
- ☐ We don't offer pantomime, stand up comedy or rock music through the scheme.

What we are looking for:

- ☐ Experience of, or strong desire to do rural and community touring.
- ☐ Work suitable for touring to non traditional theatre spaces.
- ☐ Companies that can be technically self sufficient, providing their own staging, lighting and sound equipment.
- ☐ Flexibility with dates offered for touring.
- ☐ Opportunities to see the companies work in advance – either live or on DVD.
- ☐ References from other touring schemes, promoters, arts officers or funders.
- ☐ Quality print.
- ☐ Marketing and press support.
- ☐ Well written copy and high resolution images
- ☐ Organised and efficient administration
- ☐ Relevant insurance and licences including permission to work in the UK
- ☐ CRB checks for all company members working with children.

For general advice about rural touring visit the National Rural Touring Forum's website and download Eyes Wide Open – A Practical Guide to Rural Touring for Companies and Performers. www.nrtf.org.uk