

# Blackpool Comedy Festival: Commissions



Showtown is working with the Winter Gardens and Comedy Station Blackpool on the creation of the first Blackpool Comedy Festival, 7-9 July 2023. We hope this event will grow across the town year on year for residents and visitors alike to enjoy, laugh, explore and play.

The festival will include an exciting line up of headline acts in the Opera House, a weekend of events for families and adults in the Horseshoe and Pavilion Theatre of the Winter Gardens and a selection of shows and events across Blackpool.

This new festival is part-funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. As part of the fund there is £6,000 available to our cultural community to propose further activities.

*Would you like to showcase your act? Or bring something new to Blackpool?*

*Are you a storyteller, street performer, funny singer?*

*Would you like to make families laugh?*

We are looking for ideas that are big and small, diverse and accessible from organisations and individuals. We want to hear from you.

## **Here's how to apply...**

Send us a single side of A4 or 1 minute video/voice recording of your idea. Please tell us:

1. A little bit about you.
2. What you would like to deliver. Who is it for? Is it venue or site-specific? Is it new or been done before?
3. How much it will cost? Please break these costs down.

One little thing...you must be payable by Blackpool Council BACs system (i.e. we want to know you pay your tax).

Please send your applications to [info@showtownblackpool.co.uk](mailto:info@showtownblackpool.co.uk) by the 18 April.

A panel from Showtown and Winter Gardens will assess the applications shortly after.