

## OUR COMMITMENTS:

Creative Scotland is committed to promoting the rights of children and young people. We support hundreds of projects, groups and artists to make work by and for young people.

This page provides a summary of the important parts of our work.

# Creative Scotland's Report on the United Nations Convention on THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

## Provision

### Ensuring a child's growth and development:

**More than 70,000 children and young people**

were enabled to access arts, leisure or cultural activities through work supported by the Open Fund.

### Support for Youth Music Initiative (YMI)

continued, helping thousands of young people who would not normally have been able to take part in music making activities.

### Support for arts through education,

working with partners in Education Scotland and local authorities.

**£3 million**

provided for Screen Education Funds.

**More than £4 million**

in Youth Arts Fund COVID emergency funding distributed across 148 projects.

**£85 million**

distributed in Scottish Government COVID emergency funding, supporting the arts sector as a whole.

**362,483**

children and young people reached via YMI Formula Fund and Access to Music Making projects.

## Protection

### Protection from exploitation, abuse, violence and neglect:

#### Promoted best practice

throughout the sector through work such as Creating Safety, our guidance on child protection and safeguarding.

#### Supported 30+ youth protection courses

attended by 800 people from 467 organisations.



## Participation

### Taking children's views seriously and including them in decision making

#### Support for the National Youth Arts Advisory Group Programme

(NYAAG) continued, working with 18 young individuals between 2020-2023.

#### 11 NYAAG forum projects

supported with £40,000 to share ideas, learning and skills from young people in their communities.

#### Provided space to share feelings and concerns

about sector recovery from COVID at events like UNCON and the Youth Arts Jam.

#### 3 rounds of the Nurturing Talent Fund

supported, as well as Access All Arts Fund and Step into the Arts Fund.

#### Almost £100,000

awarded across 122 Nurturing Talent Fund projects.

#### 2x UNCON events

supported in-person in Edinburgh and Inverness in 2023, both led and delivered by young programmers.

#### Delivered a Youth Cultural Summit

by supporting a young creative facilitator alongside the 2022 Edinburgh International Cultural Summit.