

Participatory Banners with Jan Nimmo



Glasgow based artist and filmmaker Jan Nimmo is pleased to offer workshops in participatory banner making.

An effective banner can communicate the core values of a school or community group, highlight current issues, tell a story or simply be celebratory or decorative.

Over the years Jan has worked with people from a great variety of backgrounds and of all ages to highlight issues such as cultural diversity, personal identity, environmental awareness, conflict resolution, asylum, mental health, disability, migration, solidarity etc.

A typical session will include:

- A bespoke illustrated introduction to the project
- Discussion and brainstorming and development of ideas
- Working in groups or individually to develop templates of images, symbols and text
- The execution of fabric collages which are applied to the banner.

Past clients include:

- Glasgow Museums Education Services
- Various primary and secondary schools throughout Glasgow, Forth Valley and Argyll and Bute
- Scottish Refugee Council
- Community Training Development Unit (CTDU Forth Valley)
- Glasgow Medical Foundation/ Glasgow Open Museum
- BASIS/Monday Night Group, East Renfrewshire
- Stirling Council
- Brandaem Link
- Grab Trust
- WEA
- Friends of the Earth Scotland
- The Cyrenians
- RaPal/University of Glasgow

A typical banner project will cost in the region of £800.

Breakdown of costs for a typical project:

Preparation:

- Sourcing fabric and other materials
- Making a bespoke banner to suit client's colour and size requirements
- Preparing a tailor-made introduction

2 x days at £150 per day £300

Materials: £100

- Fabric/ Bondaweb (iron-on adhesive)/ scissors

Two day sessions contact time/ finishing banner:

2 x days at £200 per day £400

What is required from participatory groups and schools:

- Suitable working area with large tables
- 2 x irons and ironing boards
- An extension cable
- White paper and pencils for drawing
- Access to a computer and projector (it is also helpful to have access to the internet and a printer)
- A teacher should be there to assist with the project.



Other possible workshops include:

Murals, collage, painting, printing, design, painted banners.

View some examples of banner projects [here](#)

[Jan's website](#)

Jan's Blog [Travels with Chaparro](#)

[Drawings](#) and [photos](#) including other projects.

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