

ARTIST TRAINING

Working with homeless people and vulnerable adults using opera
Wednesday 14 March 2012, 10-5pm, Southbank Centre, London

This training day will focus on Streetwise Opera's workshop model, using music to support vulnerable adults. It is suitable for artists and amateurs who wish to gain skills and learn more about working with homeless people and vulnerable adults using opera. The sessions will be led by Streetwise Opera's highly experienced Artistic Director (Workshops), Rowan Fenner.

The day will explore:

- Why opera is a powerful art-form for homeless people and vulnerable adults and how to approach it
- The use of improvisation and devised work
- Skills-based exercises and warm-ups
- How to manage differing needs within the group
- How to manage opening up people's emotions
- Why engaging in this work raises self-esteem



Through attending our training, you will:

- Meet other artists and leaders to share experiences and ideas
- Have a practical demonstration of skills and exercises from Streetwise Opera's toolkit
- Be able to apply the training to other groups such as children and young people
- See how it feels to be a participant rather than a leader
- Learn practical examples of working with scores in new ways
- Pick up new techniques and ideas
- Challenge any pre-conceptions of vulnerable people and what they are capable of

Feedback from past training participants

"I found the training day very informative and fun; the ease with which Rowan taught and involved us in the Streetwise toolkit gave the day a dynamic approach that was especially useful for anyone not regularly used to singing and facilitating singers"

"Understanding how much the participants gain from the sessions affirms that we are all definitely on the right track to want to engage people with opera, as it can have a very powerful impact on the way that people see themselves and on their level of self-esteem"

Price

£75.00 per person for organisations sending staff members/artists

£50.00 per person for freelance artists/students

Lunch and refreshments throughout the day will be provided

To attend this training day please fill out the [Booking Form](#) and return it to Nicholas Bartlett
nb@streetwiseopera.org Please call 0207 730 9551 if you have any questions