

I COULD FUCKIN' DO BETTER THAN THAT

To whom it may concern.

We invite you to exhibit your work at the Foundry, just ask at the bar.

But first there are some things you should know. This is not an artist-run space, it is a pub.

We refuse to see slides, reviews, biographies, CVs or any samples of your work. In fact we don't care whether you are totally shite, derivative or an undiscovered genius. These things are not our concern. What concerns us is that none of the work you would like to show has been funded or subsidised by the Arts Council or any other body in the business of handing out bursaries or grants in the forlorn hope it encourages something that was worth creating.

We don't like group shows. If your work won't fill the space, get working and come back when you've got enough stuff to do your own show. You don't get a crack at the big room downstairs until you've done something upstairs. That way we know you deliver, and on time. If you decide to sell any of your work in the show, we're not interested in taking any sort of a cut, you get whatever cash you can.

So what's with all the altruism? Firstly you bring your mates and rivals in for the opening and we can take more money at the bar. Secondly, we get to keep one of your works to be part of the Foundry Collection. If your show is a bit conceptual, or a complete installation that can't be broken into parts you have to make or create a smaller work of similar standard especially for us. In the meantime we will be building up a Foundry Collection that will be worth billions in years to come.

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