1. **Who we are:**

   The Courtyard Centre for the Arts in collaboration with local established Artist and Jeweller **Maria Morgan**.

2. **What are we doing:**

   We aim to encourage young emerging visual artists (between the ages of 16-25 with a link to Herefordshire) to submit a technically accomplished and resolved piece of artwork/craft for assessment, along with some evidence of exploration and experimentation to support the work, in the form of a sketchbook or drawings. The theme for submitted work is 'Herefordshire'.
   A selected panel of judges will shortlist three successful artists to have the opportunity to take part in the Visual Arts Project.
   Throughout the project we aim to cultivate the contemporary artists by supporting and challenging them to think creatively, conceptually and practically. Along with a budget to work with and a professional artist mentoring them, they will be encouraged to explore artistic development and intellectual curiosity into advanced works. Ultimately providing a showcase of excellence in Visual Arts at a final exhibition in Summer 2021, which will hopefully be at The Courtyard and Mayors Parlour later in the year. This will be dependent on Government restrictions.

3. **When are we doing it:**

   Get creating NOW!
   The deadline for submitting your work is 12 noon on 20 January 2021at The Courtyard, Edgar Street, Hereford. HR4 9JR. Any artist wishing to submit work in person must do so by making prior arrangement by emailing daivd.durant@courtyard.org.uk or digital submissions can be sent to maria@mariamorgan.co.uk

4. **Where are we doing it:**

   Throughout the project Artists can choose their own studio space. Exhibitions will take place at The Courtyard Centre for the Arts and The Mayors Parlour, Government restrictions allowing.

5. **Why are we doing it:**

   To provide a showcase of excellence in visual arts for young emerging artists within Herefordshire.