The Arts Council has announced its investment approach for 2015–18, with details of the new National portfolio, museums funding, Strategic funds and Grants for the arts.

**National Portfolio and Major Partner Museums**

- **663**
  - The National portfolio is made up of 663 arts organisations that hold 665 funding agreements, down from 703 in 2012-15.
  - £69.5m each year of Lottery money will go into the national portfolio, to be invested in touring and work with children and young people (up from £29.0m).

- **46**
  - 46 new organisations joining, 60 leaving

- **21**
  - Our Major Partner Museums are increasing in number from 16 to 21.

The three largest new National portfolio organisations are:
- Re:Bourne Ltd
- Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums
- University of Derby Theatre Ltd

### National Portfolio Organisations

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1. This includes Bridge organisations and those organisations previously referred to as National youth music organisations.
2. There are a further 21 organisations not included in the new portfolio. These are 5 Associate Bridges who chose not to apply for Bridge status and 16 NPO organisations who did not reapply.
3. Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums are joining the National portfolio as a Bridge organisation. They are also a Major partner museum.
**FUNDING ACROSS ENGLAND: OUR TOTAL INVESTMENT**

**Grant in aid**

- Outside London 60%
- London 40%

**Lottery funding**

- Outside London 70%
- London 30%

**GRANTS FOR THE ARTS**

- **2012–2015**
  - £63m per year
- **2015–2018**
  - £70m per year

**STRATEGIC FUNDS**

- **2014/2015**
  - £153m
- **2015/2016**
  - £104m