# Investigating the Impact of Covid-19 on Arts and Culture in South Yorkshire

## Study 1: Venues and Arts Organisations

Quarterly surveys of economic impact and plans for reopening after Covid-19 from venues and arts organisations in the Sheffield City Region.

- **Survey 1 (Mar-Sep 20)** n=40
- **Survey 2 (Oct-Dec 20)** n=32
- **Survey 3 (Jan-Mar 21)** n=17
- **Survey 4 (Apr-Jun 21)** n=11

Audience feedback surveys after events between the lockdowns looking at confidence and impacts of social distancing (n=136)

## Study 2: Audiences and Arts Participants

Two longitudinal surveys shared with people in South Yorkshire who were attending/participating in the arts before lockdown looking at the impact of arts restrictions on mental wellbeing and social connectedness and attitudes to returning to arts events.

- **Survey 1 (Feb-Mar 21)** n=479
- **Survey 2 (Aug 21)** n=214

Follow-up interviews with 9 participants digging deeper into their responses and informing future surveys.

## Study 3: Freelance Arts Workers

Three longitudinal surveys with freelance arts practitioners, organisers and educators in South Yorkshire. Exploring the impact of Covid on their work, income, and practice.

- **Survey 1 (Oct 20-Mar 21)** n=98
- **Survey 2 (Apr-May 21)** n=77
- **Survey 3 (Aug 21)** n=69

Follow-up interviews with 14 stakeholders and decision-makers in the South Yorkshire arts and cultural sector.

## Study 4: Mapping the Cultural Ecology

Interviews with 14 stakeholders and decision-makers in the South Yorkshire arts and cultural sector.

## Economic Impact Report

Commissioned from specialist economic consultants ChamberlainWalker documenting the impact of Covid restrictions on jobs and GVA in the arts in South Yorkshire.