**SANE Creative Awards Scheme**

**Application Form**

Please send completed applications with supporting documents to TAndrews@sane.org.uk or by post to:
Thomas Andrews, SANE, St Mark’s Studios, 14 Chillingworth Road, London, N7 8QJ.

For information on the application process, please refer to the guidance at the end of this form

Proposals must be submitted by **Monday September 1st 2025**.

***All information provided in this application form is private and confidential.***

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| How did you hear about the Creative Awards Scheme? |
| SANE website |[ ]  Facebook |[ ]  Twitter |[ ]  Friend/family member |[ ]
| Search engine |[ ]  LinkedIn |[ ]  Instagram |[ ]  Newspaper/radio |[ ]
| Other | [ ]  *Please specify* |
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| Have you used any of SANE’s services in the past? | YES |[ ]  NO |[ ]
| *If yes, please give details:* |
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| Do you have a mental health diagnosis? | YES |[ ]  NO |[ ]
| *If yes, please give details:* |
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| Are you a full-time carer for someone with a mental health diagnosis? | YES |[ ]  NO |[ ]
| *If yes, please give details:* |
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| Do you have a mental health diagnosis and additionally care for someone else? | YES |[ ]  NO |[ ]
| *If yes, please give details:* |
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| If there is any further information you wish to provide, please do so here: |
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| Please outline how you would use the award, along with your experience of mental illness and how you see an award helping your creative development. Include a brief description of how your art reflects and communicates your individual experiences. *Please limit your statement to no more than 700 words.* |
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**Please provide the name and address of your referee:**

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| Referee First Name(s) |  |

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| Referee Last Name |  |

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| Referee Address |  |

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| Referee Post Code |  |

**Please include with this form:**

Photographic examples of your previous work [ ]

**Privacy Declaration**

All of the information provided in this form is necessary and relevant to the application process. SANE will treat all personal information with the utmost confidentiality and in line with current data protection legislation. All personal information provided by applicants and referees will be stored securely, accessed by key personnel only and disposed of safely as soon as it is no longer needed.

For more information on SANE’s privacy policy, visit [www.sane.org.uk/privacy-policy](https://www.sane.org.uk/privacy-policy)

If you require any clarification or have any further questions, please contact Thomas Andrews at TAndrews@sane.org.uk or call 0203 805 1769.

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**Guide to Applying**

**About SANE’s Creative Awards Scheme**

SANE has a long association with the arts, and for many years held a successful awards scheme which provided grants to individuals wishing to further their artistic development. The SANE Creative Awards Scheme builds on this tradition and presents an opportunity for those affected by mental ill-health to take a step towards realising their creative potential.

The scheme aims to improve the quality of life for people with mental health problems, their families and carers. The awards may be used to help purchase materials, make a contribution towards course costs and, in the case of carers, offer support towards the cost of replacement care.

There are three levels of awards to apply for - £100, £200 and £300.

In time, the scheme may invite applications for proposals across all art forms, however, for this round we will be accepting applications for visual art only.

For the purposes of the scheme, visual arts encompass all forms of painting, drawing, printmaking, photography, mixed media and digital art.\*

**Eligibility**

The Creative Awards Scheme is open to:

* Any person who has a diagnosed mental health condition
* Anyone acting as a full-time carer for such a person
* Individuals who belong to both groups

**How to apply**

* Complete an application form.
* Please ensure you complete the section asking you to outline how you would use the award, along with your experience of mental illness and how you see an award helping your creative development.
* Please state if you are in receipt of benefits*.*
* State the level of award you are applying for - £100, £200 or £300.
* Please include examples of your previous work where applicable.
* Include the contact details of a referee - this may be a mental health professional or other relevant person. In the case of a carer, please provide a personal referee.
* Please send completed applications, along with photos, to TAndrews@sane.org.uk or by post to Thomas Andrews, SANE, St Mark’s Studios, 14 Chillingworth Road, London, N7 8QJ.
* Applications must be submitted by **Monday September 1st 2025**

*\*Please note that proposals to purchase multi-use digital equipment such as smartphones or tablets will not be considered. Materials or equipment should only be used to help further applicants’ artistic goals.*

**Exclusions**

* Applications will only be accepted from people living in the United Kingdom.
* Applications will not be accepted regarding proposals for political activities, creative activities outside the visual arts, or towards the costs of mainstream educational courses that lead to academic, vocational or professional qualifications.

**What happens next**

A panel will meet to consider applications and will aim to notify successful applicants as soon as practicable. If selected, applicants will be sent a letter and acceptance form which will outline the terms of the award. Those who are unsuccessful will also be contacted during this period.

**What we expect**

* The provision of receipts from costs incurred in pursuit of proposal aims
* Evidence of works or endeavours enabled by the granting of awards
* A short report on the progress that the award recipient has made towards achieving their proposal

**Use of images and text**

We would like to use images and material from those receiving awards to enable us to reach others and promote the scheme. Please let us know if you would prefer us not to use your work in this way.

**Would a grant affect benefits entitlement?**

People in receipt of benefits might be concerned that their entitlement could be adversely affected by an award such as this. However, the present situation regarding gifts or grants is that any income from voluntary sources is disregarded completely.

An individual in receipt of benefits is allowed to have savings of up to £6,000 before there is any reduction in their benefit payments.

**Data Protection**

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