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My name is ***<< insert name here>>*** and I am writing to you about the fair distribution of the £1.57bn arts funding that has been allocated to all sectors of the arts.

I would like you to raise this issue within Parliament and with the Government to ensure fair shares of this money directly benefit those self employed freelance workers who will have no feasible access to the grants system, due to the nature of their work being focused on the delivery of arts production.

Whilst I recognise the need to support venues and organisations, many are still unable to open until next year, further reducing employment opportunities for freelance arts workers whose livelihoods have been devastated by the closure of venues for the performing Arts.

The concerns I would like to be addressed are as follows:

* How will the £880m in grants ensure the protection of the freelance workforce as well as our diverse organisations, venues and institutions?

* What will be the criteria for distribution of the grants, and what measures will be put in place to ensure that they are distributed around the whole country to organisations and individuals?

* How will the £880m grant money be split up between theatre, music, comedy, dance, circus, festivals, youth work, and community engagement?

In your response I would like you to outline the ways in which you intend to address this matter on my behalf. I would also like to request that you forward my letter to the relevant Minister for their response.

Please do keep me informed of any progress made.

I look forward to hearing your response in due course.

Yours sincerely,
***<< Insert Your Name >>***