



**BALTIC**

**DANCECITY**   
Dance for the North

**Life**

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STAGE

 **Sage**  
Gateshead

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National Centre for Children's Books

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## Overview

[NewcastleGateshead Cultural Venues](#) (NGCV) is a voluntary partnership of Northeast England's leading cultural organisations, working together to build and deepen engagement with audiences and to strengthen and grow the sector and businesses within it, while delivering significant social, economic and cultural benefits for the area. Our 10 members are active and influential regionally, nationally and internationally in their own right and within their own cultural forms. Together the group has significant critical mass, influence and the ability to make things happen and try new approaches.

This voluntary partnership of 10 cultural organisations was built on a decade of informal cooperation between Chief Executives and since 2009 has involved more structured collaboration. NGCV priorities change and develop over time and have included capital development, digital strategy and talent development, as well as ongoing common priorities and initiatives around audience development and Children and Young People (CYP), as well as achieving standards of excellence around the operation of buildings, human resources, workforce development and equality and diversity.

Our model evidences the power of working together, placing culture and the arts at the heart of political, economic and social development, creating impact for the public, the sector and also the wider region. NGCV members connect to our sector and beyond, not only through individual artforms, but through extensive stakeholder and partner networks. We use our collective voice to advocate and lobby for the arts and culture to be given a strategic role in contributing to regional and national agendas.

### Current Priorities:

- To ensure culture is at the heart of social recovery in the post pandemic landscape.
- To continue our response to the Black Lives Matter movement after our members signed up to the [North East Anti-racism](#) in 2020.
- To continue our work with Children and Young People through [Family Explorers NE](#) our peer to peer recommendation platform which curates and promotes cultural events suitable for families and [City of Dreams](#) our 10-year initiative to ensure NewcastleGateshead is the best place to be young.



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## Our Members:

- [Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art](#) and BALTIC 39 (visual arts centre)
- [Life Science Centre](#) (Educational attraction)
- [Dance City](#) (national dance agency for Northeast)
- [Live Theatre](#) (new writing theatre)
- [Northern Stage](#) (producing theatre)
- [Seven Stories](#) (national centre for children's literature)
- [Sage Gateshead](#) (regional centre for music performance and learning)
- [Theatre Royal](#) (receiving and touring productions)
- [Tyne & Wear Archives & Museums](#) (9 museums, galleries and heritage sites, plus the area archives)
- [Tyneside Cinema](#) (independent cinema).

## Further Information.

- More information about our [initiatives](#) and [impact](#) can be found on our [website](#).
- You can receive updates regarding our partnership work by signing up to our [twice-yearly newsletter](#)
- For more detailed history or information please contact Lucy Deprez ([ldeprez@yahoo.com](mailto:ldeprez@yahoo.com)).