

NI 11 – Definitions

Whether an activity or an event qualifies as “attending or participating in the arts” is ultimately for the survey respondent to decide. The following, however, could be used as a guide:

Participation

1. Dance – live performance or rehearsal/practice
2. Singing – live performance or rehearsal/practice (not karaoke)
3. Musical instrument – live performance, rehearsal/practice or played for own pleasure
4. Written music
5. Theatre – live performance or rehearsal/practice
6. Opera/musical theatre – live performance or rehearsal/practice
7. Carnival
8. Street arts (art in everyday surroundings like parks, streets or shopping centres)
9. Circus (not animals)
10. Visual art – eg painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture)
11. Photography – (as an artistic activity, not family or holiday ‘snaps’)
12. Film or video – making as an artistic activity (not family or holidays)
13. Digital art – producing original digital artwork or animation
14. Craft – any craft activity (eg textiles, wood, metal work, pottery, calligraphy etc)
15. Creative writing – original literature (eg stories, poems or plays)
16. Being a member of a Book Club

Note – Participation in reading is excluded.

Attendance

1. Visual art exhibition (eg paintings, photography or sculpture)
2. Craft exhibition (not crafts market)
3. Event which included digital or video art
4. Culturally specific festival (eg Mela, Baisakhi, Navratri)
5. Theatre
6. Opera/musical theatre
7. Street arts (in every day surroundings like parks, streets or shopping centre)
8. Circus (not animals)
9. Carnival
10. Live music performance (not karaoke)
11. Live dance event
12. Event connected with books or writing

Note: Cinema attendance is excluded.