# Protecting theatres for **everyone**



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Application: 22/04583/FUL & 22/04584/LB

Site: The South Bank Centre Belvedere Road London SE1

**Proposal:** The temporary installation (from 16th April to 24th September 2023 including installation and de-installation), of art exhibits, other settings for artistic and community events and other structures such as pop-up cafes in association with Summer 2023 at Southbank Centre; and

Temporary attachment of one graphic vinyl on the north elevation; one graphic vinyl on the south elevation (Level 5 balcony) of the Royal Festival Hall, artistic exhibits on the windows of the Royal Festival hall, projections onto the walls, the installation of artwork (unattached) on the L2 Clore Ballroom Balcony, the installation of temporary walls in the L1 Riverside entrance of the Royal Festival Hall, installation of sculpture art work in the lobby of the Singing Lift and vinyls on the window (Level 1) and flags on the roof of the Royal Festival Hall from the 16th April to the 24th September 2023 (including installation and de-installation) in association with Summer 2023 at Southbank Centre.

### **Remit:**

Theatres Trust is the national advisory public body for theatres. We were established through the Theatres Trust Act 1976 'to promote the better protection of theatres' and provide statutory planning advice on theatre buildings and theatre use in England through The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, requiring the Trust to be consulted by local authorities on planning applications which include 'development involving any land on which there is a theatre'.

### Comment:

Thank you for consulting Theatres Trust regarding these applications for planning permission and listed building consent at the Southbank Centre to facilitate the installation of temporary structures and exhibits associated with the 2023 edition of Southbank Centre's regular Summer series between mid-April and late September. This includes mobile and temporary bar and catering units, art installations, lighting, banners and signage.

#### **Theatres Trust**

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The Summer series is an established and popular event which takes place annually at the Southbank Centre and surrounding buildings. It contributes towards the attractiveness and vitality of the area, bringing in large numbers of visitors and broadening access to cultural activity.

As with previous Summer and other events, there is no lasting harm to the fabric or integrity of the Southbank Centre as a heritage asset or its wider setting. We are therefore again supportive of the granting of planning permission and listed building consent.

Please contact us should you wish to discuss these comments further.

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