



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is the YAPF for?

The YAPF has been developed primarily to promote and support young architectural practitioners in the North East region. Led by a committee of North East based young Architects, it aims to support Architects in their first eight years of qualification to help build networks across the profession, and related professions.

Is the YAPF the same as the YPF?

The YPF was the Young Practitioners Forum which had previously been established by the RIBA to support young Architects in the region. The YAPF is based on the YPF, but where previously the activity had been led by the RIBA, the YAPF is now being led by a committee of local RIBA members and supported by the RIBA. This is to ensure that the activity is designed by members, for members. As a result, the YAPF will also provide a broader range of activities:

- LEARN – CPD and learning events
- COMMUNICATE – social and networking events
- ENGAGE – community activities and competitions

Who can attend YAPF events?

YAPF events will be designed primarily to support young practitioners Architects in the first eight years following qualification, however, unless otherwise stated, YAPF events will be open to all Architects, including architectural students, and professionals within the built environment.

Why do I have to pay to attend YAPF events if I'm an RIBA member?

The RIBA North East office is here to support our members in the region and promote architecture as much as we can. Sometimes this includes activity beyond what our allocated budgets can support. The RIBA will always look to financially support local activity as much as it can, but where it can't, we will provide resources from our local office, and RIBA members will always receive a discounted ticket price.

Why should I be an RIBA member if anyone can attend the events?

We have chosen to open these events beyond our local membership to foster and encourage networking across the profession and the built environment. RIBA members will always be offered a discounted ticket price and some events will be exclusively for RIBA members.

I'm a student, can I attend the YAPF events?

Yes, YAPF events are open to students, unless otherwise stated.

Is there an age restriction on attending YAPF events?

No, there is no age restriction on attending YAPF events. The events are designed to support Architects in their first eight years following qualification, but we also want to encourage networking across the profession as a whole.

Do you have to be an architect to attend YAPF events?

No, unless otherwise stated, YAPF events are open to professionals across the built environment.