

Producing a collaborative publication:

Dear contributor/attendee

As part of the Letterpress in the Digital Age workshop at Bath Spa University we will be producing a collaborative publication as a record of the day. Before the event on 6th April we will be making a series of laser cut type-high blocks that it will be possible to print on the day. To do this, we would like your contribution.

Please could you supply a digital file of an image, letterform, ornament or shape that you would like to be printed as part of the publication? The file format can be jpeg, pdf or ai. The laser cutters use vector files to be able to cut, so if you are able, please do supply an ai vector file. These should be outline only, with red lines used to denote where to cut and green lines to engrave.

If you are not able to provide an ai file, we can make these from image files such as jpegs or pdfs. If you could ensure that these are block images and black and white (black for what should be printed, white for negative space). These can be photographed/scanned drawn images.

Although there can be a degree of complexity in your images, letters etc, please note that we may have to simplify images to be able to cut them in a cost-efficient manner.

The page size of the publication will be 19 x 26.5cm, and it will be 8 pages in length. Depending on the number of entries we receive we will adjust the size of the blocks so that they can all fit and be printed. All blocks will be printed on the day itself on our Columbian Press at Bath Spa University, for which we will also be seeking your assistance.

Please supply all files by 16th March 2018 by emailing to Penny p.grist@bathspa.ac.uk and Tom t.sowden@bathspa.ac.uk. Please include your name and any title you have for your work. If files are particularly large (above 10mb), please email these using a service such as wetransfer.com.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Penny or Tom.

Best wishes,

Penny Grist and Tom Sowden