



## CORK CITY COUNCIL ARTS OFFICE ARTS IN CONTEXT AWARD 2024

Arts in Context applications are invited by the Cork City Council Arts Office for 2024. The Arts in Context Award invites artistic proposals involving professional artists in non-professional arts contexts such as a schools, health or social care settings, youth clubs, prisons, community spaces etc using community arts, socially engaged, collaborative and/or participatory arts methods.

Cork City Council may offer amounts of grant aid less than the amount sought. Grant assistance will be awarded only where applications meet the criteria set down by Cork City Council.

## SUBMISSION INFORMATION

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 4PM THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023.**

## APPLICATION CATEGORIES

### APPLICATION CATEGORIES FOR PROJECT PHASES

Applications can be made under **one** of the following project categories:

- **Research & Development:** Applicants can apply for support of up to **€1000** towards the research and development of a project. This category prioritises resources needed by an artist to spend time researching methodologies and developing relationships for the benefit of a future project. The application for this project phase must be completed by the lead artist.
- **Project Realisation:** Applicants can apply for support of up to **€6,000** towards the realisation of a project. This category prioritises resources needed for an artist and participants to work together on the realisation of a joint project proposal. The application for this project phase must be completed by the lead artist and the participating group.
- **Project Completion:** Applicants can apply for support of up to **€1,000** towards the completion of a project. This category prioritises resources needed for publication, dissemination and/or archival costs of a project that has been realised by an artist with participants. The application for this phase must be completed by the lead artist.

### **NOTES:**

Only **ONE** of the application categories can be applied for in a single funding year for a project phase as defined here.

For the purpose of this application, the term 'participating group' shall include pre-established or new groups, communities of place and/or communities of interest.



## **ASSESSMENT OF APPLICATIONS**

Applications are peer assessed by an independent panel of practitioners from the arts sector and one elected member of Cork City Council.

### **CRITERIA FOR ALL APPLICATIONS**

- All Arts in Context projects must be developed and realised with participating groups located within the Cork City Council administrative area.
- Applications must be fully completed, signed and submitted before the stated deadline.
- Requested supporting material must be submitted.
- Work must be carried out on a not-for-profit basis.
- Work must be carried out in 2024.
- Work must be artistic in nature.
- Where relevant, organisations must have up-to-date child and vulnerable persons safeguarding policies that are compliant with the Children First Act 2015.
- Match funding of 30% is required for Project Realisation Arts in Context Awards. Support in-kind is eligible.

### **ADDITIONAL CRITERIA**

#### **ARTISTIC**

- Artistic ambition of project proposal.
- Involvement of professional artists and arts workers in the planning and implementation of the project/ activity.
- Track record of the lead artist relevant to the nature of the proposed project.
- Quality of artistic samples.
- Relevance of artistic project to the specified community group.
- Impact on professional development of the artist in their area of practice.

#### **STRATEGIC**

- Potential to contribute to relevant objectives in the Cork City Council Arts & Culture Strategy, 2022 - 2026.
- Relevance to the needs of the relevant community / group / audience and capacity to animate target settings.
- Recognition and accommodation of the diverse cultures and demographics in the city.
- Participation / partnership proposed is appropriate, inclusive and of depth and quality.



### **OPERATIONAL**

- Accessible to all – thought should be given to venue, cost and access requirements.
- Evidence of feasibility (objectives should be achievable, budgets should balance, timelines should be realistic and input into activities by all involved as appropriate should be demonstrated).
- Evidence of equitable and fair remuneration for professional artists /arts workers.
- Evidence of appropriate documentation and/or evaluation of activities.
- Evidence of collaboration and co-operation with proposed participants in project planning.
- Evidence of organisational capacity of participating group especially with regard to monitoring participant experience and managing emerging issues.
- Evidence of planning towards appropriate format for presentation or sharing of outcomes, as applicable.

### **ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS**

- C.V.s of lead artist and other key personnel as relevant.
- Examples of previous artistic work
- Evidence of support eg. written commitments of financial support such as match funding or support in kind, letters of support as applicable from participants, partners etc.

<b>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION</b>
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Cork City Council proposes that the following information relating to this grant application competition will be made available on request:

- Name of the successful applicants.
- Reasons an applicant did not qualify for grant consideration.

Cork City Council undertakes to use its best endeavours to hold confidential any information provided by applicants subject to its obligations under law, including the Freedom of Information Act 2014. Applicants are requested to consider if any of the information supplied should not be disclosed because of its sensitivity. If this is the case, candidates should, when providing the information, identify same and specify the reasons for its sensitivity. If such information is not identified as sensitive and Cork City Council on consideration does not deem it sensitive, then such information is liable to be released in response to a Freedom of Information request without further consultation with the applicants. Cork City Council will consult with any candidates about sensitive information before making a decision on any Freedom of Information Act request received.



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