



CREATIVE IRELAND ARTISTS' BURSARIES **OPEN CALL WEXFORD 2020**

Guidelines and Application Form

Closing date for applications - 24th July 2020 on or before 2.00pm

What is the Creative Ireland Programme?

Creative Ireland is the Government's Legacy Programme for Ireland 2016 – a five-year cross government initiative, from 2018 to 2022, which places creativity at the centre of public policy. The core proposition is that participation in cultural activity drives personal and collective creativity, with significant implications for individual and societal wellbeing and achievement. Creative Ireland focuses on 5 pillars with local authorities leading on pillar 2, Enabling Creativity in every Community.

Each local authority in Ireland has developed their own Creative Ireland five year culture strategies in response to their county. The delivery of this cultural strategy is overseen by a cross departmental Culture Team within each local authority.

What is Wexford *Creative Ireland* supporting?

Wexford County Council, in association with *Creative Ireland*, is supporting a broad programme of events as part of Wexford's Creative Ireland Culture and Creativity Strategy from 2018 – 2022 which encompasses the areas of arts, culture, heritage, and community. For further information go to <https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/arts-and-culture/current-programmes-plans-and-events/creative-ireland>

The key themes identified by Wexford for 2020 are **Sense of Place, Heritage and Well Being.**

Our sense of place is key to contributing to our collective cultural identity and our sense of social cohesion and belonging. Wexford enjoys a unique natural, built and cultural heritage that lends itself well to expression and celebration through the arts. Good mental health and well-being are key to socially inclusive and sustainable communities, and the arts play a vital role in society's well-being across all ages and social classes. Creative Ireland welcomes applications from artists exploring any of the above themes in their work.



Creative Ireland Artists Bursaries Open Call 2020

Creative Ireland Wexford invites artists to apply for Artists Bursaries in 2020. These bursaries will offer the opportunity support and invest in new work developed by professional artists in all art forms based in County Wexford.

Public engagement is an important part of the remit of Creative Ireland and artists are asked to consider how they will engage with the public in the final presentation of their work in 2020/2021 taking into account social distancing measures and HSE guidelines in light of COVID 19, if and where applicable.

- The total fund is **€ 20,000** and artists may apply for a maximum fund of **€5,000**. Awards will be in the region of €4,000 - €5,000 each.
- This award is open to professional artists in all art forms and welcomes applications from artists at all stages of their career. A professional artist is interpreted as person who is actively pursuing a career as an artist in any art form, and who considers their arts work as their main profession or career. They must hold a relevant degree or Diploma in a relevant discipline, or demonstrate significant achievement in their arts careers.
- The artist's application must address one of the broad themes of Creative Ireland Wexford 2020 which are: Sense of Place, Heritage and/or Well Being.
- The artists can work in any art form and the funding is intended to pay primarily for the artists time and other related costs such as art materials, studio rental etc.
- Examples of types of work that can be applied for include new writing, new music, readings, music performances, drama, visual art, dance, sound art, film, multidisciplinary work.
- Payment of a grant will not be made for activities in retrospect.
- A maximum of one application will be accepted from any individual or artist collective.
- Artists may choose to collaborate with others on an application- however one artist must submit as lead artists on behalf of the other(s).
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- The artist must be residing in County Wexford for a minimum of 1 year.
- Priority will be given to new artists' applicants who have not received funding under the Wexford Creative Ireland programme in the past.
- Bursaries are available for activity taking place from August 2020 to July 2021 with a final public outcome presented in Wexford by July 2021.



- Please outline how you will engage with the public in the final presentation of your work in 2020 or 2021. This can be online, or a live event (e.g. exhibition, reading, screening, performance) or a combination of both. Please note your application must take into account social distancing measures in light of Covid 10 and HSE health and safety guidelines, if and where applicable.
- Wexford County Council's Creative Ireland Co-ordinator must be notified in advance of public outcomes and Creative Ireland support acknowledged on all PR in relation to this and logo included. Failure to acknowledge appropriately any deem the grant funding invalid and support received may need to be refunded to Wexford County Council.
- All successful applications will receive a copy of Wexford County Council and Creative Ireland logos.
- Wexford County Council reserves the right to publicise the awarding of the Creative Ireland grant.
- Wexford County Council has the royalty-free right to freely use, publish, distribute and make public any intellectual property generated as part of this grant scheme.
- Final drawdown of money will be paid on submission of a final report and budget breakdown. (A template of which will be provided to all awarded artists). Failure to do so may deem the grant award invalid.

Criteria

Grant applications received will be evaluated in respect of the following criteria:

- Quality of the proposal including relevance to the Creative Ireland themes identified for 2020.
- The extent to which the proposed project is ambitious, innovative and fosters creativity.
- The extent of engagement with the public in the final presentation of the work
- Track record of the artist and quality of previous work.
- Feasibility to deliver in identified timeframe and budget breakdown.



Scoring Criteria

All proposals will be evaluated using the following marking scheme.

1	Addressing the themes identified in the guidelines	200
2	Scale of project in terms of ambition, innovation and fostering creativity	200
3	Extent of engagement with the public in the final presentation of work	100
4	Track record of the artist and quality of previous work	100
5	Budget – value for money	150
6	Project management – the feasibility of completing the project. Artist(s) must provide evidence of and have a clear plan for delivering the project	250
	Total	1000

Note: There is no guarantee of funding for projects which achieve the minimum eligibility criteria. The fund is limited and eligible applications will be evaluated on a competitive basis. There is no guarantee that project will receive 100% funding, as it will depend on the number of successful applications.

Selection Process:

Grants will be selected through a competitive process and considered via an appointed selection panel, and the panel's decision is final.

Additional Information

Wexford County Council will not be in control of the locations where final public outcomes may take place, therefore it will be the responsibility of the artist to ensure the requirements of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2013 and the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations, (where applicable), are implemented. Additional legislative requirements which may apply to the place of work will also need to be considered by the artist.

Artists who wish to engage children and young people under eighteen years of age in the proposed activity, event or project must comply with the Children First Act 2015 and the National Vetting Bureau (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Act 2012 to 2016. Please refer to Tusla, the Child and Family Agency, www.tusla.ie, for more information.



How do I apply?

Complete the application form which is available on the Wexford County Council website <https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/arts-and-culture> or by email from arts@wexfordcoco.ie.

Only completed submissions received via the approved application form will be considered. Digital submissions, either on PDF or Word only and emailed to arts@wexfordcoco.ie.

Supporting Documentation:

You are required to include supporting material online with your application. Please assume that the selection panel is not familiar with any of your past work. Examples of appropriate supplementary materials may include images, pamphlets, brochures, texts, video links.

- Max of 10 still images (PDF or jpeg only) – clearly labelled.
- Video Show reel (You Tube or Vimeo) max 6 minutes accepted
- Catalogues, flyers, publications, reviews, writing excerpts accepted.
- Content sheet- clearly listing supporting documentation.

Application dates:

- Closing date for receipt of applications: **Friday 24th July on or before 2.00pm**
- Late applications will not be considered
- Digital applications only: No hard copies accepted
- Your application should include completed 1. Application Form and 2 Supporting Documentation 3. Detailed Proposal (max 1,000 words) 4. Artist's CV all compiled into one PDF document. In total this should not exceed 15 MB in size. Please title your email 'Creative Ireland Artists Bursaries 2020'.
- Please note if you submit your application over 15MB it will not be accepted and you will not receive a confirmation email.



- Please email your application arts@wexfordcoco.ie by 24th July 2020 on or before 2.00pm. All eligible submissions will receive a confirmation email.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. No other documentation can be accepted after the closing date.

For further information / queries please contact: Susan Murphy, Arts Office Tel: 053 - 9196441 Wexford County Council Arts Office, County Hall, Carricklawn, and Wexford.

How will I know my application has been successful?

All applicants will be notified by email.

Successful applicants will receive a Letter of Offer. This letter will form the contract between Wexford County Council and the Artist, and will detail all conditions and requirements.

A list of successful applicants will be published on Wexford County Council's and Creative Ireland's website stating project name and details.

If I am successful how do I draw down the funding?

Payment to successful applicants will be made by electronic fund transfer only as follows:

A total of 75% of the total fund amount will be paid once the signed Letter of Offer has been returned to Wexford County Council together with any supporting information/documentation requested.

The final 25% payment will only be made after the project has completed. In order to receive the payment, the successful applicant must complete a short **Post Event Form** (to be supplied by Wexford County Council) and provide the following:

- Evidence that the project has completed (e.g. presentation of public outcome, photographic evidence etc.)
- Evidence of expenditure – Receipts/invoices for full cost
- Summary of project, any change to the project etc.
- Provide at least 5 high quality jpeg images of the project (Wexford County Council reserves the right to use these images for any publicity relating to this scheme)

Note – Failure to complete this Post Event form will require the applicant to repay the grant to Wexford County Council and will exclude applicants from future grant schemes.



Acknowledgement

Once you have been notified that you have been successful in receiving funding, you must ensure that Creative Ireland and Wexford County Council is acknowledge as funders of your event and promoted. Appropriate credits, logos, and guidelines to support this will be provided to the awarded artists.

Disclaimer – please read carefully

It will be a condition of any application for funding under the terms and conditions of the Wexford County Council – Creative Wexford project that the applicant has read, understood and accepted the following:

1. Wexford County Council shall not be liable to the applicant or any other party, in respect of any loss, damage or costs of any nature arising directly or indirectly from:
 - a. The application or the subject matter of the application.
 - b. The rejection for any reason of any application.
2. Wexford County Council shall not be held responsible or liable, at any time in any circumstances, in relation to any matter whatsoever arising in connection with the administration of activities. In respect of monies provided by Wexford County Council, the council does not undertake the role of 'Client' or 'Employer' as defined in the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005.
3. By submitting an application, applicants agree to the processing and disclosure of the applicant's information by Wexford County Council, and to other third parties if required, for Fund administration, reporting, evaluation and audit purposes; and successful applicants further consent to the disclosure of this information (e.g. name of successful applicant, amount of award, event details, etc.) by these parties in connection with the marketing or promotion of the Fund. Personal data will be processed only in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Data Protection legislation.