
Arts Funding for 2023 (Arts Act 2003)

A subcommittee of elected members met on December 12th 2022 to consider the recommendations of the Arts Office for Arts Grants 2022. Arts Grants are a Reserved Function of the Elected Members and some Councillors have through their participation in the Subcommittee over recent years made observations and requests in this year's Report.

The recommendations of the City Arts Officer for Arts Grants 2022 have been accepted with a request by the Subcommittee for a comprehensive review of Arts Grants focusing on the following questions

1. Are the available resources being allocated where they will have greatest impact?
2. How can there be a greater citywide distribution of Arts Grants?

The City Arts Office has agreed to the Review of Arts Grants requested and will bring the proposed parameters of this Review before the SPC early in 2022.

Arts Funding for 2020 (Arts Acts 2003)

In accordance with Section 6 of the Arts Act 2003 local authorities may provide financial assistance for the purpose of:

- (a) Stimulating public interest in the Arts,
- (b) Promoting knowledge, appreciation and practice of the arts, or
- (c) Improving standards in the arts within its functional area.

Dublin City Council advertised its Arts Grants & Bursary Scheme on 21st September 2022 with a closing date of 7th November 2022. A total of 128 x Grants and 70 x Bursaries applications were received and discussed with a Sub Group of the Arts, Culture, Leisure and Community SPC.

62 x Arts Grants were awarded of which there are 3 x categories

1. Project Grants: Applications by Artists, Arts Organisations and Collectives to mount specific projects such as plays, exhibitions, concerts etc. €100K
2. Voluntary and Neighbourhood Grants. €100k
3. Revenue Grants: Annual support for established Arts Organisations. €300k

10 x Bursaries were awarded €50k across 5 x categories:

The award of Grants & Bursaries to the total sum of €550,000 as detailed in the below reports, is recommended for approval by Dublin City Council.

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A/Assistant Chief Executive
13th December 2022

Organisation	Category	Amount	Comments
First Fortnight Company Limited by Guarantee	Revenue	€10,000	Festival programme and cross-sectoral partnerships highlighting the arts and mental health. Exhibitions of photography in Ireland, digital collaborations programme, artist workspaces.
Photo Museum Ireland	Revenue	€10,000	
Ballymun Arts and Community Resource Centre CLG t/a axis	Revenue	€12,000	Programme elements supported include SING project, Threads women's dance project, Deadly Conversations in partnership with Irish Hospice Foundations targeting young people.
Dublin Dance Festival	Revenue	€16,000	2023 International Dance Festival programme with new artistic commissions, specialist EDI commission, ongoing professional development and support activity for artists.
Dublin Youth Theatre CLG	Revenue	€12,000	Core work for 2023 includes weekly drama workshops for young people, Big Show performance, One Act festival, writers group and Young critics, film project and autism friendly project.
CoisCéim Dance Theatre	Revenue	€13,000	A strategic programme to create new work and innovative engagement activities, plus a focus in Fairview, Dublin 3.
Create	Revenue	€10,000	Programme of strategic partnerships, residences, commissions and professional development with diversity as a focus. Professional development for dance artists, public engagement and advocacy through residencies, members' studio, awards and partnership opportunities. Festival programme and community engagement programme in film. Visual Arts and Theatre Programme.
Dance Ireland	Revenue	€11,000	
Dublin International Film Festival	Revenue	€10,000	
The Complex	Revenue	€10,000	
Bewley's Cafe Theatre	Revenue	€10,000	New productions and playwright development programme and awards.
Project Arts Centre	Revenue	€25,000	Performing and Visual Arts Programming with strong

			emphasis on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion
Temple Bar Gallery + Studios	Revenue	€14,000	Visual Artists Studios and Exhibitions Programme with Engagement Strategies in place.
Irish Writers Centre	Revenue	€10,000	Targeted mentorship initiative and new communities' workshops for emerging writers.
Dublin Theatre Festival	Revenue	€29,000	International Theatre programme.
Pan Pan	Revenue	€10,000	Live and digital theatre productions including opportunities for public participation; training and mentorship. Commissions and Performances of new music.
Crash Ensemble	Revenue	€10,000	
Fishamble Theatre Company CLG	Revenue	€10,000	Community art residencies, research and partnerships in and for Dublin 8.
The Ark	Revenue	€16,000	Anchor projects for 2023 including new commissions and partnerships.
Common Ground CLG	Revenue	€12,000	Community art residencies, research and partnerships in and for Dublin 8.
IMRAM Féile Litríochta Gaeilge - IMRAM Irish Language Literature Festival	Revenue	€10,000	Irish language arts festival with programme, projects and strategic partnerships.
Dublin Fringe Festival	Revenue	€30,000	Dublin Fringe Festival, including Fringelab and development bursaries for economically disadvantaged artists.
Revenue Grants	Total	€300,000	
MOLI	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Good project on writing and storytelling targeting Ukrainians in Ireland. Strong record of successful projects, engagement and participation.
Rockfield Wellness	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€4,000	Project to establish local arts action group with good levels of local participation and capacity building in the arts. Good track record of participation.
Age & Opportunity	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Project with working title of Re:SISTERS; Celebrating 50 Years of Lesbian Activism

			including a Cabaret, exhibition and a public discussion event. Also Bealtaine 2023 will have a LGBTQ+ focus to mark this significant anniversary.
Artane Music	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€2,000	Outreach project offering recorder lessons. Solid application.
Clodagh Emoe	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Strong project with environmental focus. Seed STUDIO; Performing Infrastructure is an intergenerational, ecological, collaborative project conceived by artist Clodagh Emoe and architect Donal Lally for the community of Dublin 7. Organisation of workshops with schools and local community.
Na Píobairí Uilleann	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€3,000	Monthly Ceol Sa Chlub project. This event provides young people (mainly from and living in Dublin) with opportunities to perform and to organize a live event with oversight and advice from experienced staff in this organisation.
Martina Galvin	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€3,000	Visual artist doing seven art workshops in four different schools in north inner city.
Writing from Scratch	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€2,000	12 creative writing workshops to offer participants opportunities to engage with creative writing in a deeper way under the guidance of professional poet facilitators, learn new literary skills and, and improve literacy skills. 3 will be with SAOL.
Creativity in the Classroom	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€3,000	Series of art workshops with professional artists in schools in Dublin 8 and Dublin 12.
Fatima Groups United	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Very strong application with wide range of arts activities including poetry workshops, drama, photography and visual arts. Engagement of professional artists.
St. Andrews Community Centre, Rialto	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€2,000	Ambitious and engaging project bringing professional artist with the local community and offering accessible performances for the D8 area.
Five Lamps Arts Festival	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Five Lamps Arts is a community festival with a significant concentration of artist workshops

			for all ages, particularly children and young people. Workshops are central to their mission to make art accessible and demystify the creative process. They also run a Spring Festival. Some funding will be used towards increased community engagement.
Macushla Dance Club 50+	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€4,000	Free dance and movement classes for over 55s held in Dublin 1. Special events such as demonstrations, workshops and film screenings.
St. Mary's C of I, Crumlin	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€3,000	Interesting community-based local history and art project working with ceramic artist Michael Moore.
Pipeworks Music CLG	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€3,000	Organisation with a strong track record. Funding to go towards education and outreach programme for children. In partnership with St. Patrick's Cathedral.
Soul Noir	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Gothic Arts festival to showcase high standard Gothic art and culture from the Gothic community and bring awareness of this culture to a large audience through an inclusive nature and programming. Outreach, workshops and festival.
Poetry Ireland	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Series of poetry workshops with schools in the inner city. Organisation as a very strong track record in this regard.
Louise Osborne	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€3,000	Theatrical outdoor promenade 'Trees of Our Taine 2023' is a refinement of an early successful project with an intention to develop and adapt it to travel to (at least) 3 new outdoor locations in the Artane area.
Sphere 17 Regional Youth Service, Darndale	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Creation of a mural co-designed by the people of Darndale and with engagement of youth of Sphere 17. Second phase of a successful project.
Phizzfest	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Local Arts Festival for 2023 with broad range including local history and architecture, literature, theatre, music, visual art and water based activities, with a

			focus on achieving the widest participation possible across a diverse community. Variety of activities free of charge where possible, such as outdoor music and canal-based events, walking tours, and literary and historic talks.
Royal Irish Academy of Music	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Youth brass project with professional musicians, targeting local schools.
RADE	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€2,000	Funding for Open Call for artist to work with RADE participants for collaborative piece with Project Arts Centre.
Dublin Youth Dance Company	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Funding for dance classes, workshops, training and performances in schools.
Masamba Samba School	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€2,000	Good project with engagement with local schools through drumming workshops.
St. Mary's Youth Club	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€4,000	Ambitious reiteration of previously successful project, 'What's your issue?' engaging new cohort of young people.
Kilbarrack Coast Community Project	Neighbourhood/Voluntary	€5,000	Strong creative writing project, good engagement and participation.
Neighbourhood/Voluntary Grants	Total	€100,000	
Irish Modern Dance Theatre	Project	€10,000	Dancer from the Dance Festival of Irish Choreography and Dance
Photo Ireland Festival CLG	Project	€10,000	Annual Photographic Festival - the 2023 festival will highlight contemporary visual arts of Africa and its diaspora
Live Collision International Festival	Project	€5,000	Annual Live Art Festival across live and digital platforms
Kirkos	Project	€10,000	Programme of 13 curated contemporary music events and development of Kirkos devised project Carbon Neutral Music
Dublin International Chamber Music Festival	Project	€6,935	A series of three chamber music events in June in Dublin Castle and Town Hall, Windmill Quarter
THISISPOPBABY	Project	€8,500	Throwing Shapes and new commission from Emma Dabiri for Project Arts

Taking Flight Education and Performance	Project	€5,000	A participatory programme of training and creation in Circus and Aerial Dance
Smock Alley Theatre	Project	€6,000	Rachel Baptiste programme - mentored script development programme for black Irish writers and writers of colour
Break the War Events	Project	€10,000	Break the War - A two day break-dance hip hop festival
ANU Productions	Project	€8,500	An immersive theatre project HAMMAM exploring the final days of the civil war
Theatre Lovett	Project	€5,065	Programme of performance training, mentorships and participation, engaging schools
Dublin Digital Radio	Project	€5,000	Alternating Current festival - live performances by Irish composers & musicians working across electronic & electroacoustic music, AV art, sound & multimedia performance. (1 day of radio works and 2 days of new work performed at The Complex).
Shane O'Reilly	Project	€5,000	GOLD IN THE WATER - a new musical for family audiences exploring parenting in contemporary Ireland
Irish Baroque Orchestra	Project	€5,000	Dublin HandelFest -three day in July -rediscovering the soundscape of 18th century Ireland
Project Grants	Total	€100,000	
Rocio Dominguez	Dance	€5,000	This bursary will allow for a creative peer exchange, permitting self and group reflection on ongoing visions, and it will help find answers to questions that have been raised during her creative process in 2022.
Craig Cox	Music	€5,000	Period of experimentation with new writing techniques for voice that will be explored in two workshop sessions with a group of vocalists that I regularly collaborate with. The writing process, workshop facilitation and critical reflection will be conducted under the mentorship of Dr. Oscar

			Mascarenas from UL's Irish World Academy of Music and Dance.
Mark Cullen	Visual Arts	€5,000	Development of 'Prototypes for Cyborgs' as a transhumanist space opera – an interactive site responsive, mixed and multimedia installation, with human scaled physical sculpture, large immersive video projections, a responsive sound system, a VR display and online interaction.
Maria Maarbjerg	Visual Arts	€5,000	Photographic artist with project on Danish band, AQUA.
Aoife Tannam	Literature	€5,000	Writer with strong track record who will focus on her practice and new body of work entitled D12.
Adam Doyle	Theatre	€5,000	Excellent proposal for practice development with an excellent network of collaborators with THISISPOPBABY.
Hannah Gumbrielle	Circus	€5,000	Body of research and mentorship to develop practice as a aerialist.
Anna Sheils MacNamee	Drama	€5,000	To fund a 90 day screenwriting course with Alan Watt and apply it to a short film feature that she has written. To work with cinematographer, Keith Pendred and undertake a mentorship in visual thinking. Mentorship sessions with producer Juliette Binoche in understanding how to pitch and market short film scripts.
Olesya Zdorovetska	Multidisciplinary	€5,000	Ukrainian composer and pianist. To fund vocal course with Michelle O'Rourke and mentorship with CCI.
Dennis Harvey	Other	€5,000	To facilitate an important period of action research which will bring new modes of analysis to his film practice and play a significant role in making Celtic Utopia a diverse and representative film.
Bursaries	Total	€50,000	