

14th November 2019

To: The Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council

Report: Recommendations from the Assessment Panel : The Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary 2019

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Enclosed is a report and recommendations from the Assessment Panel of the Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary Scheme 2019.

Dolores O’Riordan, singer, songwriter and lead vocalist with The Cranberries, was one of Ireland’s most enduringly popular artists. Limerick City and County Council has been in regular contact with Dolores’ mother Eileen and her family to discuss ways that Limerick can remember and commemorate the global superstar. Following discussions, it was agreed that The Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary be established to support a Limerick professional musician to develop their career.

In October 2019 an open call was issued and Limerick based professional musicians were invited to submit applications for the bursary of €4,000, to develop their artistic practice.

One bursary Available = €4,000

- The Assessment Panel met on Monday 11th of November 2019
- 10 applications were received
- A total ask of €31,900
- The panel recommended the allocation of funding to 1 successful application totaling €4,000

Grant Recipient	Grant Awarded
Emma Langford	€4,000

The Council is requested to approve the allocation of the award amounting to €4,000.

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Sheila Deegan,
Culture and Arts Officer,
Limerick City and County Council.

The Assessment Panel

The Assessment Panel met on Monday 11th of November 2019 to assess and make recommendations on all eligible applications, according to the criteria of the award. The Assessment Panel for the Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary Award, 2019 were composed of:

Liz Powell

Liz Powell is Music Generation’s Music Education Partnership (MEP) Support Manager at a national level. Liz Powell is an arts manager and a music educator. A music and maths graduate from University College Cork, Liz has over 25 years’ experience in arts management and music education through her role as choral conductor, trainer and leader. Working in the music sector, she was CEO of the Association of Irish Choirs and Irish Youth Choir, overseeing the reinvigoration of this national resource for choral music education.

Vincent O’Shea

Independent Consultant with thirty years of professional experience in arts management including venue and event management, festival management, Irish and international touring, company management, cultural infrastructure projects, tourism projects, business planning and mentoring. Specialist expertise includes Public Art management, exhibitions project management and craft.

Philip Delamere

Philip Delamere studied sculpture at Limerick School of Art from 1989 to 1994 and worked as a visual artist, theatre designer, street theatre director and arts organiser until 2000. He became County Arts Officer with Roscommon County Council in 2000 and has been Arts Officer with Leitrim County Council since 2011. As a Local Authority Arts Officer he is responsible for devising and implementing policy, plans and programmes for arts development within County Leitrim for Leitrim County Council.

Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary: Successful proposal from Singer-Song Writer, Emma Langford

There were 10 applications made for the Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary. The panel welcomed the high quality of the applications and made the following recommendation:

Grant Recipient	Grant Awarded
Emma Langford	€4,000

Emma Langford (Singer-Song Writer)

The bursary will provide funding to cover ongoing production for her second album, due for release in 2020. It will contribute to the costs of a music video, for her recently released single, The Winding Way Down to Kells Bay, and support writing for her next record.

Due to the high quality of the applications, the panel recommended the transfer of two applications for consideration under the Individual Arts Bursary Award Scheme.