

26th September 2022

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

To approve Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Awards

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Limerick Arts Office have issued 53 letters of support under the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Scheme 2022, to applicants applying to national and international awards. This is a rolling award, with €4,500 awarded at July's Council meeting.

For review at September's meeting:

| External Award | Applicant | External Award Amount | LCCC Strategic Award |
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| Arts Council – Arts Grant | Angie Smalis | €70,000 | €2,000 |
| Arts Council – Young Ensembles Scheme | Limerick Youth Dance Company | €9,243 | €924 |
| Arts Council – Capacity Building Scheme | EVA International | €20,000 | €2,000 |
| Arts Council – Culture Night Late | Limerick Arts Office in association with SIONNA Festival and TOT Events. | €20,000 | €2,000 |
| Arts Council – Young Ensembles Scheme | Emerging Limerick Filmmakers | €25,000 | €2,000 |
| TOTALS | | €144,243 | €8,924 |

The Council is requested to approve the allocations outlined, amounting to €8,924.

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Dr. Pippa Little
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Limerick City and County Council



Purpose of the Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Award

The Strategic fund for Arts and Culture was developed by Limerick City and County Council to allow culture and arts organisations and practitioners to bid for funding, with an aim to leverage funding from other national and international sources.

The percentage available from the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture is 10% of the successful national or international amount awarded, to a maximum of €2,000.

Project Details

Angie Smalis – Arts Grant

This award will allow Angie to develop “Florance”, a work of narrative dance for four dancers and an actor, produced as a short film and installation. It tells a fantastical story about the dominance of nature through the eyes of an art historian specializing in gardens, who’s also caring for an ailing mother.

Limerick Youth Dance Company (LYDC) – Young Ensembles Scheme

This award will enable Limerick Youth Dance Company to implement a three-month dance training season of “contact improvisation”, inviting specialist guest teachers to train LYDC. Season ends with an informal sharing, inviting youth ensembles in Ireland to collaborate.

EVA International – Capacity Building Scheme

This award will allow Eva International to develop their technician training programme, which was piloted in 2021. The 2022/23 training programme offers graduate skills, knowledge, and the relevant site certification to build careers as art technicians, or to supplement their art practices with employment, while also building capacity in the region.

Limerick Arts Office & SIONNA Music & Arts Festival – Arts Council Culture Night Late

At the centre of the programme there will be a live music concert featuring the best of local and national electronic music scene featuring R Kitt, Paddy Mulcahy, Fedah and Rumi at King John’s Castle. Combining state of the art audio, visual and staging teams to bring an unforgettable experience to Limerick City. This event is being produced in association with SIONNA Festival, TOT Events, Culture Night and King John’s Castle.

Emerging Limerick Filmmakers – Young Ensembles Scheme

Two science fiction or horror productions will be created, devised by young people and with support from Odyssey Studios, Fantastic Films, Troy Studios and others. It represents a celebration of the possibilities for filmmaking in contemporary Limerick, with young filmmakers encouraged to interrogate their place in the world, their future and their hidden fears through the medium of film. They will be engaging with local musicians, including those in the Innovate Centre in UL and Paddy Mulcahy, to create a new and original score.