

15th November 2023

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 71 letters of support under the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Scheme 2023, to applicants applying to national and international awards.

For review at November's meeting:

External Award	Applicant	External Award Amount	LCCC Strategic Award
artsandhealth.ie: Documentation Bursary 2023	Joanne Ryan	4,000	400
Arts Council: Agility Award	Anna Gormley	5,000	500
Arts Council: Late Night Events (Pilot Scheme)	Lime Tree Theatre	60,000	5,000
Arts Council: Arts Grant	The GAFF	65,000	5,000
Arts Council: Young Ensembles Scheme	LCYP (Local Creative Youth Partnerships)	9,600	960
Arts Council: Theatre Project Award	Liam McCarthy	39,795	3,979.50
Arts Council: Visual Artists Workspace Scheme	Spacecraft Studios	11,500	1,150
Arts Council: Visual Arts Bursary Award	Caimin Walsh	10,000	1,000
Arts Council: Visual Arts Bursary Award	Sian Costello	15,000	1,500
Arts Council: Arts Grant	Ormston House	140,000	5,000
TOTALS		€359,895	€24,489.50

The Council is requested to approve the allocations outlined, amounting to €24,489.50

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Dr. Pippa Little
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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 €5,000 in 2023.

PROJECT DETAILS:

Documentation Bursary – artsandhealth.ie

Joanne Ryan

To enable Joanne to make an audio documentary with Diarmuid McIntyre, Creative Director of award-winning Limerick based radio producers Grey Heron Media, which will give an insight into the origins, development and production of Joanne's theatre project IN TWO MINDS. The documentary will raise awareness of the project, of Bipolar Disorder, and of arts and health practice.

Agility Award – Arts Council

Anna Gormley

Collaborate with and remunerate marketing manager Alisson Rocha, to create marketing materials for an artist's website. Recompense Anna to upskill in digital and marketing skills while on the project. Develop a high standard of presentation concerning the artist and her work.

Late Night Events (Pilot Scheme) – Arts Council

Lime Tree Theatre

The Lime Tree Theatre plays a vital role in supporting and fostering the creativity of the individual performance artist in Limerick, and proactively collaborates with other arts institutions in the region, in developing programmes for professional artists and audiences alike. In partnership with Dolans and Ormston House

Arts Grant – Arts Council

The GAFF

The GAFF's vision is based on giving a platform to creative voices that can be obscured by obstacles based on artists' social, geographic or ethnic status. Their function in creating links between the arts and the community sector is integral to their work in this regard. The GAFF will embark on two significant projects in 2024; The Rising of the Women - a new play by Mike Finn and Castle Barracks - a short film based on stories from former residents of King John's Castle.

Young Ensembles Scheme – Arts Council

LCYP (Local Creative Youth Partnerships)

The LCYP works in partnership with state and voluntary agencies to deliver creative programmes for young people. This project works with Limerick based groups, Abbeyfeale Beoirs, four teenage girls from the West Limerick Travelling community and Future Film Makers, 10 young people who are engaged in developing film-making skills.

Theatre Project Award – Arts Council

Liam McCarthy

To produce a new play, 'Jilly Morgan's Birthday Party', in a co-production with Lime Tree Theatre | Belltable. This is a play, set in Limerick, about love and obsession. It is a radical reimagining of Anton Chekhov's The Kiss.

Visual Artists Workspace Scheme – Arts Council

Spacecraft Studios

Spacecraft Artist's Studios are ambitious, seeking advice, engaging with stakeholders and planning towards 2024. Spacecraft studios will carry out practical improvements to the studio space, i.e. will be used to replace the flooring, subsidise studio rents, & utilities.

Visual Arts Bursary – Arts Council

Caimin Walsh

Caimin will use the fund for research costs related to the development of a new temporary public artwork for Limerick City. The activities will take place from December 2023 to September 2024.

Visual Arts Bursary – Arts Council

Sian Costello

Sian will use the fund to; dedicate herself to her current studio practice through a year-long period of sustained engagement. Continue to develop work for three national and international upcoming solo shows in 2023 and 2024. Upgrade the presentation of her work, digitally and in-person.

Arts Grant – Arts Council

Ormston House

Ormston House delivers an experimental programme of multidisciplinary exhibitions and events. A key focus is to support artistic, curatorial and design practices, including international collaborations, access to workspace, a reference library, professional development workshops, peer discussion groups and networking events. It has become an integral part of the cultural life of Limerick City and is held in high esteem within the national context of the visual arts.