

**13<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

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

**Report: Recommendations from the Assessment Panel: Individual Arts Bursaries Award 2024**

**A Chomhairleoir, a chara,**

Enclosed is a report and recommendations from the Assessment Panel of the Individual Arts Bursaries Award Scheme 2024.

**Individual Arts Bursaries: Total Fund Available = €22,750**

- The Assessment Panel met on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- 22 applications were received
- A total ask of €86,395
- The panel recommended the allocation of funding to 8 successful applicants totalling €22,750

Grant Recipient	Grant Awarded
Angie Smalis	€4,000
Ellen Dillon	€4,000
Kerry Guinan	€4,000
Pamela Dunne	€2,000
Salma Ataya	€3,750
Sara Dowling	€1,500
Scott Robinson	€2,000
Seán Horgan (Small Church)	€1,500
<b>Total Grant Funding Awarded</b>	<b>€22,750</b>

The Council is requested to approve the allocations outlined amounting to €22,750

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Etain McCooey  
Arts Officer | Creative Ireland Co-ordinator  
Limerick City and County Council

On 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 an open call was issued inviting applications from professional artists who wished to be considered for a Bursary of up to €4,000 for the development of work/professional skills. The bursary closed for applications on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

### **The Assessment Panel**

The Assessment Panel met on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024 to assess and make recommendations on all eligible applications, according to the criteria of the award. The members of the Assessment Panel for the Individual Arts Bursary Award 2024 were:

Hannah Pinkheard, Assistant Arts Officer with Kerry County Council

Megs Morley, Director and Curator at Galway Arts Centre

Marie O' Byrne, Director of Glor Theatre, Ennis, Co Clare

### **Information on successful applications**

The Assessment Panel for the Individual Arts Bursaries Award Scheme 2024 agreed that the following recommendations go forward for approval to full Council.

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### **Angie Smalis**

*Limerick Metropolitan (North, West, East)*

€4000

The artist aims to continue to deepen her understanding of filmmaking, screendance, music and digital art, its creation process and presentation possibilities. She will delve into the creative process of a multidisciplinary performing artist and experiment with developing "performed persona" in existing outdoor spaces with historic significance.

### **Ellen Dillon**

*Cappamore Kilmallock*

€4000

The bursary will enable the artist to develop a sequence of performance poems titled *How complete + final the feeling, as I lift its curve in the net*, inspired by Ted Hughes' pike-fishing visits with his son Nicholas to Lough Gur in the late 70s and 80s. This will include a site-specific performance of the sequence at Lough Gur.

### **Kerry Guinan**

*Limerick Metropolitan (North, West, East)*

€4000

Kerry Guinan wants to develop a new edition of their performative installation 'Portraits' (2019) to a professional exhibition standard. They will do this by creating a new tech spec for the installation, redesigning the selection criteria for performers, re-evaluating its social, logistical, and contextual elements.

### **Pamela Dunne**

*Adare Rathkeale*

€2000

Pamela Dunne would like to buy studio time and materials to explore the new areas of her art practice for a new body of work. She would like to upgrade her current out-of-date laptop. She would like to participate in an online masterclass on Adobe Premier pro Video editing.

### **Salma Ataya**

*Limerick Metropolitan (North, West, East)*

€3750

Salma Ataya will develop on a previous project to research and create a dance video influenced by Limerick City's streets and sounds. Working towards creating and working more in Limerick City, where they have been based for over 7 years. The artist will use the outside spaces for creating movements, inspired by the normal life sounds and movements.

**Sara Dowling**

*Limerick Metropolitan (North, West, East)* €1500

This application supports production, publication print and launch event costs for a presentation of new work, recently created on the DOMUS eco-feminist residency programme (Galatina). A publication launch and curators talk event is proposed to take place at Belfast Exposed and Limerick City Gallery of Art, this coming October.

**Scott Robinson**

*Limerick Metropolitan (North, West, East)* €2000

Scott Robinson will use the bursary to develop an anthology series of digital artworks across five locations in Limerick City, blending local stories and memories with ethereal vignettes to evoke emotional response. This will utilise new media, digital technology to blend the boundaries between physical and virtual landscapes, enhancing viewer immersion and connection to the specific location.

**Seán Horgan | Small Church**

*Limerick Metropolitan (North, West, East)* €1500

The artist will record an EP in Launchpad Studios, Limerick. Recorded and mixed by Shane Wisted of the studio. He will shoot a music video for one of the tracks produced, directed by Ellie Marron, collaborating with Animator Alan Tuffy who got his degree from Tús, Limerick. He will shoot photography material with frequent collaborator Jake Casey