



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

**Strategic Fund for Culture and Arts allocation recommendation**

The strategic fund for culture and arts was developed by Limerick City and County Council to facilitate culture and arts organisations and practitioners in leveraging funds from national and international sources.

The percentage available from the Limerick City and County Council Strategic Fund for Culture and Arts is 10% of the successful national or international award, to a maximum of €5,000, to fund elements of the projects specific to Limerick.

The following applicants have been successful in leveraging funding from the Arts Council and the approval of Limerick City and County Council is requested for the award of 10% of the Limerick elements of their projects totalling €8,700.

External Award	Applicant	External Award Amount	LCCC Strategic Award
Arts Council Visual Arts Project Award	Starling Projects	€27,000	€2,700
Arts Council Agility Award	Niamh Brown	€5,000	€500
Arts Council Arts Grant	Ormston House	€160,000	€5,000
Arts Council Agility Award	Women from the Inside	€5,000	€500
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>€197,000</b>	<b>€8,700</b>

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### **STARLING Projects Arts Council Art Projects Award**

STARLING Projects is an ambitious non-profit gallery based in Nicholas Street exhibiting underrepresented and emerging artists and practice. This award is to support three exhibitions held at STARLING under the thematic Monabhar/Murmuration. The exhibition series will include a public programme titled Field Work.

### **Niamh Brown Arts Council Agility Award**

Niamh Brown is curator at Ormston House and is applying to this bursary to focus on developing her independent practice. This includes research and project development work with an artist, but also mentorship from local and international curators. Her practice to date has been rooted and focused in the organisations where she has worked and this would be a great opportunity for her to carve out space and to find her voice in an independent and expanded practice.

### **Ormston House Arts Council Arts Grants**

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. This grant allows them to deliver their annual programme of exhibitions and events.

### **Women from the Inside Arts Council Agility Award**

Women from the Inside is a collaborative photographic project by Clara Planelles (Creative Director and Photographer), Clara McSweeney (Project Coordinator and Graphic Designer) and Maria McSweeney (Public Relations, Social Media Manager, and Visual Artist) which explores what it means to be a woman living in the 21st century in Limerick City. This award allows the collective to create a publication centring around women's menstrual health, launch of the publication, and programme a series of events to run concurrently with the launch of the publication.