

16th January 2025

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 €4,370.

External Award	Applicant	External Award Amount	LCCC Strategic Award
Arts Council Visual Arts Project Award	Kerry Guinan	€20,000	€2,000
Arts Council Visual Artist Workspace Scheme	Spacecraft Studios	€15,000	€1,500
Arts and Disability Ireland - Connect	Cian Manning	€15,000	€870*
TOTAL		€55,000	€4,370

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Etain McCooey
Arts Officer | Creative Ireland Co-ordinator

Kerry Guinan – Arts Council: Visual Arts Project Award

Receipt of this award allows Kerry to create two works for an upcoming solo exhibition 'The Weight of the World' at Ormston House: Portraits - A performative, interactive, live video installation with international performers, and Artificial Earth - A hyperrealist concrete sculptural diptych of topographies that concrete is sourced from.

Spacecraft Artist's Studios, Visual Artists Workspace Scheme

This award will allow Spacecraft Artist's Studios to retain their leases on both their studio and project spaces and subsidize rental costs for their members. To continue to support local artists outside of their studio members through their associate membership and casual rental of the space. Up skilling - Digital purchase of a communal studio laptop, Physical upskilling workshops to develop professional artist practice. To provide new developmental opportunities to members through upskilling and equipment purchases.

Arts and Disability Ireland – Connect – Cian Manning *funded for Limerick elements only

This award will allow Cian to continue developing work centred on the materiality of plastics by engaging with FabLab Limerick, to develop a body of sculptural work using FabLab's newly acquired plastic recycling setup. Resume correspondence and collaboration with potential presenting partner, Mark O'Gorman, and allow for time developing the project for public exhibition.