



10th September 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, Culture Ireland, Screen Ireland and the Heritage 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 €7,197.60

External Award	Applicant	External Award Amount	LCCC Strategic Award
Festival Event Scheme	Féile na Gréine	€6,620	€662
Community Heritage Award	Doon Historical Society	€13,356	€1,335.60
Culture Ireland Grant	SpaceCraft	€5,000	€500
Arts Council Agility Award	Emma Conefrey	€5,000	€500
Arts Council Music Bursary	Mícheál Keating	€20,000	€2,000
Screen Ireland – Screen Stakeholders Scheme	Pete Moles, Emerging Limerick Filmmakers	€22,000	€2,200
TOTAL		€71,976	€7,197.60

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Etain McCooey
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Rural, Culture, Community and Tourism Development Directorate



Festival Investment Scheme

Féile na Gréine is a growing festival in the Limerick events calendar. This funding will allow them to showcase and champion emerging and groundbreaking Irish artists across a myriad of disciplines, valuing the currency of ideas and imagination, as well as the inclusivity of artists and audiences alike. Féile na Gréine act as an instigator of key audience development for Irish artists through the considered and curated structure of the festival.

Community Heritage Grant

This Community Heritage project, developed by the Doon Historical Society and Parish Choir intends to dismantle, restore and install the Victorian, 6-stop pipe organ from its present location in the convent chapel gallery to St Patricks Parish Church, Doon. The organ meets criteria for conservation and aligns with the principles of safeguarding tangible and intangible cultural heritage. The LCCC strategic award shall be used towards the purchase of musical instruments to promote music education by facilitating workshops, rehearsals, liturgical, and secular ceremonies with the accompaniment of the newly restored pipe organ.

Culture Ireland Grant

SpaceCraft

SpaceCraft Artists Studios are artist run and provide studio spaces to recently graduated and emergent artists in Limerick. This funding will support SpaceCraft Artists Studios to attend Supermarket Stockholm Independent Art Fair representing Contemporary Irish Art and the Limerick Art Scene and expand their network and develop relationships with other Artist-run spaces.

Arts Council Agility Award

Emma Conefrey

Emma Conefrey is a Limerick based visual artist and sculptor. This funding will enable her to develop her practice, work and skills, through building work for a solo exhibition at Spacecraft Limerick and Culture Night 2025; developing documented public performances using prosthetic makeup; and creating a life-size wax pig sculpture to be used as a performance prop and painting reference.

Arts Council Music Bursary

Mícheál Keating

This funding will support the essential development of Micheál Keating's artistic practice as a musician. It will permit him to spend focused time reflecting on, and developing, his music composition, improvisation and performance practice. He will have the opportunity to develop various skills through 2 mentorships and spend time researching and developing and composing a new project.



Comhairle Cathrach
& Contae **Luimnigh**
Limerick City
& County Council

Screen Ireland, Screen Stakeholders Scheme

**Pete Moles, Emerging
Limerick Filmmakers**

This award would enable Emerging Limerick Filmmakers (ELF) to deliver ELF's successful academy model to participants nationally, where current ELF members will participate as peer educators; develop and deliver a high quality short film led by young people and connect young filmmakers with professional practice in filmmaking