



Creative Sligo Open Call 2018

Introduction:

Sligo's five-year strategy 2018 - 2022 aligns with the Government's initiative in placing creativity at the centre of public policy for the first time and in encouraging and supporting greater access to and participation in creativity to improve the wellbeing of all citizens. It will foster better and more innovative coordination and collaboration between the public and private sectors and between artists and creatives* and the wider community, to empower and enable every person living in Sligo to have the opportunity to realise their full creative potential.

The Creative Ireland Values in Sligo

Culture and Creativity in Sligo will be guided by the Creative Ireland values of *Collaboration, Communication, Community, Participation, Inclusivity and Empowerment*, which have specifically informed the development of the County's Strategic Priorities for the period 2018-2022. These values reflect the necessary ingredients of a successful and sustainable cultural and creative sector and the wishes of all stakeholders as explicitly expressed through their engagement with Sligo County Council in developing this strategy.

Collaboration

Public engagement and consultation identified an appetite for collaboration in designing and delivering new projects and programme-based activities, sharing resources and facilities and creating new opportunities for creative partnerships and alliances. Fostering and supporting opportunities to engage and collaborate across a wide range of cultural and creative sectors will form the pillar stone upon which the strategy for culture and creativity in Sligo will be realised.

Communication

The rich extent of creatives and artists who live and work in County Sligo together with the desire of individuals and communities to engage with them, has emphasised the need to increase awareness and connectivity between sectors. Establishing networks, improving lines of communication and generally increasing awareness of the opportunities to engage with communities and creatives will be a priority for the coming period and will lead to an enhanced cultural life and experience for residents of the County.

Community

Communities are at the heart of culture and creativity in County Sligo in terms of audiences, participants, gatherings of creatives and in the sharing of experiences and resources. The capacity and willingness of communities to engage in delivering cultural opportunities will determine the success of the Strategy in reaching target audiences throughout the County. Communities will be supported in accessing, creating and delivering cultural activities for the benefit of all, in partnership with other stakeholders.

Participation

The vitality of Sligo's cultural and creative sector is enriched where participation is fostered. Facilitating greater access and public engagement with culture in all its forms will be encouraged by addressing key factors such as economic, social, physical and geographical disadvantage.

Sligo County Council's Creative Ireland Open Call is an opportunity for the cultural sector, community groups, artists and creatives to apply for funding in order to work collaboratively with creatives and artists to work with communities, places of interest and latest technologies in realising the vision of Creative Ireland i.e. to enable creativity in every community and to provide an opportunity for each individual to realise their full creative potential.

Applications for funding are invited for projects which will take place from the end of July 2018 to December 2018. The majority of funding will be for projects which can be fully realised in 2018. Funding will be divided into three categories:

- Category A) €500 - €1,000
- Category B) €1,001 - €5,000
- Category C) €5001 - €10,000

A small amount of funding for Research and Development towards a longer-term project to commence in 2019 may be considered.

Funding applications may be submitted to support the following:

- Proposals involving the arts, culture, creative enterprise, heritage and the Irish language.
- The European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018.
- Bliain na Gaeilge 2018.
- Decade of Commemoration.
- Research and Development

The following criteria must be clearly stated and met in order to qualify your project for consideration:

- The quality of the project and the collaborative nature of the proposal.
- Collaboration is defined as the cultural sector, creatives and artists working in conjunction with communities / places of interest / latest technologies.
- The ability to align with and deliver the vision and priorities of Sligo's Culture and Creativity Strategy.
- The extent to which the proposal builds awareness of and supports Pillar II of the Creative Ireland Programme - Enabling Creativity in Every Community.
- The unique nature of the project proposed.
- The benefit to the cultural sector, creatives and the community of professional artists.
- The ability to deliver the project in 2018.
- Clear governance and structure of the collaborative arrangement.
- The extent to which the proposal meets the objectives of the ***European Year of Cultural Heritage "Make a Connection"***.

- The extent to which the proposal is aligned to the five thematic strands of ***Bliain na Gaeilge 2018***.
- The extent to which the proposal reflects clearly Sligo County Council's priorities under the ***Decade of Commemoration*** Policy Document.

Successful applicants must ensure that the **Creative Ireland Programme** and/or the **Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht** are publicly acknowledged in all advertisements and publicity in relation to any proposals funded under this initiative with appropriate use of relevant logos as provided.

Where proposals involve work, activity or contact with children (under 18 years of age) or relate to the provision of educational, research, training, cultural, recreational, leisure, social or physical activities to children, applicants must ensure that their Child Protection Policy complies with national and/or local guidelines.

Tax Requirements

Applicants who apply for funding to this Creative Sligo Open Call do not have to be registered for tax purposes. If the applicant is registered for tax purposes, then they are required to be tax compliant. In line with revised tax clearance procedures, which came into effect in January 2016, the Tax Clearance Access Number and Tax Reference number must be submitted to the local authority for verification purposes. VAT should only be paid where it is included in the proposal.

European Year Cultural Heritage: www.eych2018.com

Bliain na Gaelige: <http://www.peiq.ie/2018>

Decade of Commemoration: <http://www.sligolibrary.ie/CreativeIreland/>

***Creatives:** This denotes anyone working within a creative industry / sector, including craft, design, fashion, architecture, film, photography and food.

All monies granted in this call must be drawn down and all claims submitted by November 16th 2018.

Creative Sligo Open Call: 2018 APPLICATION FORM

Please complete ALL sections of the application.

Please read the Criteria for Assessment and make reference to them in your answers.

HOW MUCH FUNDING FROM CREATIVE SLIGO DO YOU WISH TO APPLY FOR?

Funding may not be used to support pre-existing proposals, or for any other purpose unrelated to the above programmes. You may only apply for one Category of Funding.

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Please Tick One Category

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Category B €1,001 - €5,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Category C €5,001 - €10,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Describe your organisation: What is its status and structure? (e.g. Co. Ltd. by Guarantee, Registered Charity, Voluntary, etc.) Please include governance and staffing/executive structure.

Organisation:	Contact Person:
Address:	Telephone:
	Mobile:
	Email:
	Website:

Governance/Committee

Committee Member Name:	Position, Role, Skills or Duties:
Staff (s) or Volunteers (v)	

Bank Details

Name on Bank Account:	Account Number:
Name of Bank:	Bank Sort Code:
Address of Bank:	
IBAN:	BIC:

Describe your Institution/Group and in particular the collaborative element with Communities in County Sligo.

The Project

Name of Project:
Location:
Date(s)/Duration:

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Which of Sligo County Council's Culture & Creativity themes or priorities does your project relates to?

1. Bliain na Gaeilge	
2. EU Year of Cultural Heritage	
3. Support to Artists	
4. Creative Enterprise	
5. Research and Development	
6. Decade of Commemoration	

Project Description:

Tell us about the project. In doing so outline how it came about, what it hopes to achieve, who is involved, how it is organised, how it meets the assessment criteria of the scheme.

Disclaimer

It will be a condition of any application for funding under the terms and conditions of the Sligo County Council Creative Ireland Open Call that the applicant has read, understood and accepted the following:

1. Sligo County Council shall not be liable to the applicant or any other party, in respect of any loss, damage or costs of any nature arising directly or indirectly from:
 - a) The application or the subject matter of the application.
 - b) The rejection for any reason of any application.
2. Sligo County Council shall not be held responsible or liable, at any time in any circumstances, in relation to any matter whatsoever arising in connection with the administration of activities. In respect of monies provided by Sligo County Council, the council does not undertake the role of 'Client' or 'Employer' as defined in the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005.
3. By submitting an application, applicants agree to the processing and disclosure of the applicant's information by Sligo County Council, and to other third parties if required, for Fund administration, reporting, evaluation and audit purposes; and successful applicants further consent to the disclosure of this information (e.g. name of successful applicant, amount of award, event details, etc.) by these parties in connection with the marketing or promotion of the Fund. Sligo County Council and the Department of Arts, Heritage, and the Gaeltacht are parties to a Memorandum of Understanding which reflects the terms of the arrangement between the parties and all such parties agree to employ appropriate measures to keep applicants' data safe and secure; to prevent its unauthorized or accidental disclosure, access or alteration; and to ensure that personal data will be processed only in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Data Protection legislation.

Consultation:

Three public information meetings to assist applicants will be

held as follows:

Ballymote Community Library	May 28th 2pm - 4pm
Tubbercurry Community Library	May 28th 5pm - 7pm
Sligo Central Library	May 29th 6pm - 8pm

SENDING YOUR APPLICATION

Please also submit your application form, **by email, marked in the Subject Box: Creative Sligo Open Call: 2018** to creativeireland@sligococo.ie

CLOSING DATE: 4pm – FRIDAY 22nd June 2018

**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED
UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.**

Only one copy of the supporting material is required.

The following documentation should be emailed:

- Letters of support are required where partnerships, communities or other organisational supports are listed under programme or income. (Chairperson or Executive signed letter)
- If your organisation, event or activity involves working with people under 18 years of age, you must include a copy of your organisation's Child Protection Policy.

Additional information described below may be posted.

- Publications / press material from your previous activities, limited to the past two years
- CV's / biographical information about artists / curators /performers / facilitators whom you plan to engage for your programme.

Note: If you wish to have material returned please include an appropriately sized, stamped, addressed envelope with your application and indicate those items that you wish to have returned.

For further information, please contact, creativeireland@sligococo.ie