

Ireland Performs Guidelines

Culture Ireland/FACEBOOK Ireland Fund for Artists

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Culture Ireland and FACEBOOK Ireland are collaborating on a special funding scheme for artists. Artists can receive a grant of €1,000 towards an online live presentation/performance (in Irish or English) of their work.

Priority will be given to artists whose work was scheduled for public presentation/performance internationally or in Ireland and has been compromised owing to the crisis.

Eligibility:

- Any Irish professional artist from any artform is eligible to apply. You will need to include a short summary of your professional experience as part of the application form.
- Only one application per artist is eligible. Any additional applications will not be considered.
- Applicants must confirm that they will adhere to all public health advice issued by the HSE.

How to Apply:

- Applications will be accepted from Thursday 2nd April by email only.
- Applicants should complete the attached application form and return to showcases@cultureireland.gov.ie as soon as possible. If you wish to include links to your work, they should be included as part of the application form. No additional documentation will be considered.
- Please submit as attachment to email. Links to cloud storage applications (e.g. Dropbox, Google Docs) are not acceptable.
- Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and funding is subject to availability.
- We encourage applicants to submit application as early as possible once application window has opened.

Assessment Criteria:

- Proposals will be considered by Culture Ireland executive, with input from artform expert panelists and in consultation with relevant resource organisations including First Music Contact, Poetry Ireland and the Irish Theatre Institute.
- The applications will be assessed according to the following criteria:
 1. Artistic quality of work
 2. Feasibility of proposal, with particular reference to the public health guidelines
 3. Proven capacity of applicant, artist/s or arts organisation to deliver work nationally/internationally
 4. Impact of COVID-19 crisis on artist/s' plans including postponement and cancellation of scheduled events
 5. Ability to make wide online impact (please include links as appropriate in line with guidelines above.)

After you Submit your Application:

- Culture Ireland will notify applicants within one week of receipt of their application.
- If successful, a grant offer of €1,000 including full terms and conditions and copyright information will be made.
- Performance date to be agreed with Culture Ireland as part of the Ireland Performs schedule.
- Supported artists are required to give acknowledgment in the captioning to FACEBOOK Ireland and Culture Ireland, along with a consistent #IrelandPerforms
- Each online presentation would last between 30 and 40 minutes and should be completed within a week of decision.
- FACEBOOK Ireland, Culture Ireland and Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht will promote each performance through their social media and grantees are required to assist in this promotion.
- Some of the performances may be selected for streaming on RTÉ and these may be paid an additional broadcast fee.

Ireland Performs is presented by FACEBOOK Ireland and Culture Ireland, Department of Culture, Heritage & the Gaeltacht and delivered in partnership with First Music Contact and Poetry Ireland and in association with RTÉ.
