Culture Ireland

Culture Ireland creates and supports opportunities for Irish artists and companies to present and promote their work worldwide. Culture Ireland runs a strategic showcase programme and a regular funding scheme to support the presentation of Irish artists at international festivals and venues. Culture Ireland first led a delegation of Irish musicians to Womex World Music Expo in 2010. Since then Culture Ireland has been working to strengthen the presence of Irish traditional, folk, jazz and world music at WOMEX, which is regarded as one of Culture Ireland’s key showcases.

www.cultureireland.ie

Arts Council of Northern Ireland

The Arts Council of Northern Ireland (ACNI) is the development and funding agency for the arts in Northern Ireland and is responsible for the distribution of public money and National Lottery funds to develop and deliver a wide variety of arts projects, events and initiatives across Northern Ireland. From theatre and literature to art in the community, ACNI works in partnership with hundreds of artists, arts organisations and venues. Art has the ability to reach across boundaries, inspiring, teaching and bringing people together.

www.artscouncil-ni.org

Horizons

Horizons is a partnership that was developed ahead of WOMEX 13, Cardiff to bring together, in partnership, the wealth of music traditions and cultures of England, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

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Christine Sik is the Director of Culture Ireland which promotes Irish artists worldwide. By providing funding, a network of opportunities and other promotional supports, Culture Ireland enables the presentation of Irish arts events in significant international festivals and venues. Culture Ireland also creates international opportunities for Irish artists through its strategic showcase programme, of which WOMEX is a key event.

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