



Cultúr Éireann Culture Ireland

Promoting Irish Arts Worldwide

2026 Showcase & See Here Schedule

Established in 2005, Culture Ireland creates and supports opportunities for Irish artists and companies from across the island of Ireland to present their work to global audiences.

Regular Grant Programme

Culture Ireland's Regular Grant Programme offers support for travel related costs for Irish professional artists presenting their work internationally. Applications are accepted from the Irish artists/arts organisation or the international host festival, venue or gallery. All eligible events must be open to a public audience and artists must be paid for their work. Touring activity rather than one-off events are prioritised.

2026 Culture Ireland Application Funding Deadlines

DEADLINE	TIMING OF PROJECT
5 February 2026	15 May 2026 onwards
5 May 2026	15 August 2026 onwards
5 August 2026	15 November 2026 onwards
5 November 2026	15 February 2027 onwards

Only applications made through Culture Ireland's online application system are eligible for consideration. You can find more details at www.cultureireland.ie/funding/regular-grant

Showcase Programme

Culture Ireland's Showcase Programme develops international opportunities through selected market oriented events which attract international presenters. Calls for applications for Culture Ireland support to participate are made well in advance of the showcase events. Details of the current portfolio of activity are included overleaf. Specific queries about Culture Ireland's support should be sent to showcases@cultureireland.gov.ie

See Here Programme

Through the See Here Programme, Culture Ireland supports incoming programmers, curators and festival directors to visit Ireland to see the work of Irish artists and engage with the wider Irish arts and culture community. The support is focused around the calendar of festivals across the island of Ireland to ensure that there is a concentrated programme of Irish work to be experienced and artists and companies available to meet. Applications to Culture Ireland are usually coordinated through the host festival/event.

Application calls for Showcase and Delegates schemes throughout the year are promoted through Culture Ireland's website and social media platforms.

Further Information and Online Application System: www.cultureireland.ie
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See Here Programme 2026 Calendar

Showcase	Partner Organisation	Dates	Venue/City	Artform	Website
Your Roots Are Showing	Support towards incoming international delegates for Showcase Conference	14–18 January	Belfast, Northern Ireland	MUSIC	www.showingroots.com
TradFest Temple Bar	Curated Showcase & support from incoming presenters	21–25 January	Dublin, Ireland	MUSIC	www.tradfest.com
Dublin International Film Festival	Support towards incoming Festival Directors and co-hosted panel	19 February–1 March	Dublin, Ireland	FILM	www.diff.ie
Belfast Children's Festival/Young at Art	Support towards incoming programmers and presenters with curated artists' presentations	5–14 March	Belfast, Northern Ireland	CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S ARTS	www.youngatart.co.uk
RTÉ Choice Music Prize	Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact	5 March	Dublin, Ireland	MUSIC	www.choicemusicprize.ie
NMDX @ New Music Dublin	Contemporary Music Centre	16–19 April	Dublin, Ireland	MUSIC	www.newmusicdublin.ie
Dublin Dance Festival	Support towards incoming programmers and presenters with curated artists' presentations	30 April–16 May	Dublin, Ireland	DANCE	www.dublindancefestival.ie
Cork Midsummer Festival	Support towards incoming programmers and presenters with curated artists' presentations	8–21 June	Cork, Ireland	MULTIDISCIPLINARY	www.corkmidsummer.com
Cairde Sligo Arts Festival and Earagail Arts Festival	Support towards incoming programmers and presenters with curated artists' presentations	4–25 July	Sligo and Donegal, Ireland	MULTIDISCIPLINARY	www.cairdefestival.com www.eaf.ie
Galway Film Fleadh	Support towards incoming Festival programmers and co-hosted event	7–12 July	Galway, Ireland	FILM	www.galwayfilmfleadh.com
Spraoi	Irish Circus, Street Arts and Spectacle Network	1–3 August	Waterford, Ireland	CIRCUS & SPECTACLE	www.spraoi.com
Information Toolbox	Dublin Fringe Festival/ Irish Theatre Institute	11–12 September	Dublin, Ireland	THEATRE	www.fringefest.com
Ireland Music Week	Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact	30 Sept–2 October	Dublin, Ireland	MUSIC	www.irelandmusicweek.com
International Theatre eXchange	Dublin Theatre Festival/Irish Theatre Institute	2–3 October	Dublin, Ireland	THEATRE	www.dublintheatrefestival.ie
Baboró International Arts Festival for Children	Support towards incoming festival directors	9–18 October	Galway, Ireland	CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S ARTS	www.baboro.ie
Belfast International Arts Festival	Support towards incoming programmers and presenters with curated artists' presentations	October	Belfast, Northern Ireland	MULTIDISCIPLINARY	www.belfastinternationalartsfestival.com
Dublin Book Festival	Support towards incoming festival directors	November	Dublin, Ireland	LITERATURE	www.dublinbookfestival.com
Dublin Gallery Weekend	Support towards incoming curators	5–15 November	Dublin, Ireland	VISUAL ARTS	www.dublingalleryweekend.ie
Cork International Film Festival	Support towards incoming festival directors	November	Cork, Ireland	FILM	www.corkfilmfest.org
Ireland Invites	Irish Museum of Modern Art/ Dublin City Gallery The Hugh Lane	Throughout 2026	Ireland	VISUAL ARTS	

International Showcase Programme 2026 Calendar

Showcase	Partner Organisation	Dates	Venue/City	Artform	Website
Meet the Irish New York January Showcase	<i>Presented in partnership with the Irish Arts Center</i>	11–13 January	New York, USA	MULTIDISCIPLINARY	www.irishartscenter.org
Eurosonic	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	14–17 January	Groningen, The Netherlands	MUSIC	www.esns.nl/en/
Showcase Scotland	<i>Conclusion of Ireland Partnership</i>	21–25 January	Glasgow, GB	MUSIC	www.showcasescotlandexpo.com
Folk Alliance International	<i>Curated Showcase on Culture Ireland Stage</i>	21–25 January	New Orleans, Louisiana, USA	MUSIC	www.folk.org
London Book Fair – Independent Publishers' Supports	<i>Delivered in partnership with Literature Ireland</i>	10–12 March	London, GB	LITERATURE	www.londonbookfair.co.uk
South by Southwest	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	12–18 March	Austin, TX, USA	MUSIC	www.sxsw.com
Classical:NEXT	<i>Contemporary Music Centre</i>	8–11 April	Budapest, Hungary	MUSIC	www.classicalnext.com
Bologna Children's Book Fair	<i>Children's Books Ireland</i>	13–16 April	Bologna, Italy	LITERATURE	www.bolognachildrensbookfair.com/en/home/878.html
Diaphonique	<i>Partnership with British Council and Institut français</i>	April/May	Great Britain & France	MUSIC	www.diaphonique.org
jazzahead!	<i>Improvised Music Company</i>	23–25 April	Bremen, Germany	MUSIC	www.jazzahead.de
Superbooth Berlin	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	7–9 May	Berlin, Germany	MUSIC	www.superbooth.com/en/
The Great Escape	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	13–16 May	Brighton, GB	MUSIC	www.greatescapefestival.com
Primavera PRO	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	3–7 June	Barcelona, Spain	MUSIC	www.primaverasound.com/en/primavera-pro
Australia Tour Initiative	<i>In partnership with the National Celtic Folk Festival</i>	5–8 June	Portarlington, Australia & Touring	MUSIC	www.nationalcelticfestival.com
A2IM Indie Week	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	8–11 June	New York, USA	MUSIC	www.a2imindieweek.org
Culture Ireland Edinburgh Showcase	<i>Edinburgh Fringe Festival Showcase</i>	7–31 August	Edinburgh, GB	THEATRE/DANCE	www.edfringe.com
Pop-Kultur	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	August	Berlin, Germany	MUSIC	www.pop-kultur.berlin
Guild of Music Supervisors Conference	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	August	Los Angeles, USA	MUSIC	www.gmsmediaconference.com
APAX	<i>Australian Performing Arts Exchange</i>	7–11 September	Brisbane, Australia	THEATRE	www.apax.org.au
FiraTàrrega	<i>Irish Circus, Street Arts and Spectacle Network</i>	10 –13 September	Tàrrega, Spain	CIRCUS & SPECTACLE	www.firatarrega.cat
IFF London	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	September	London, GB	MUSIC	www.iff.rocks
Reeperbahn	<i>Music from Ireland programme delivered by First Music Contact</i>	16–19 September	Hamburg, Germany	MUSIC	www.reeperbahnfestival.com
Frankfurt Book Fair – Independent Publishers' Supports	<i>Delivered by Literature Ireland</i>	7–11 October	Frankfurt, Germany	LITERATURE	www.buchmesse.de/en
WOMEX World Music Expo	<i>Delivered in partnership with the Horizons Partnership</i>	21–25 October	Las Palmas, Gran Canaria	MUSIC	www.womex.com
Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival (Ireland Focus)	<i>Multiannual partnership to present Irish composers and ensembles</i>	5–15 November	Huddersfield, GB	MUSIC	www.hcmf.co.uk