

Tipperary Creative Ireland Programme Grant Fund

Guidelines and Criteria

Creative Ireland is the Government's Legacy Programme for Ireland 2016 - a five year initiative, from 2017 to 2022 which places creativity at the centre of public policy. It is a high level, high ambition, all of government initiative to mainstream creativity in the life of the nation so that individually and collectively, in our personal lives and in our institutions, we can realise our full potential.

Creative Ireland is a culture based programme designed to promote individual, community and national wellbeing. The core proposition is that participation in cultural activity drives personal and collective creativity, with significant implications for individual and societal well being and achievement.

Creative Ireland is the main implementation vehicle for the priorities identified in **Culture 2025/Éire Ildánach**, the draft cultural policy published by the Minister for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs in July 2016, which sees a vibrant cultural ecosystem as essential to society. **Culture 2025/Éire Ildánach** states that arts and culture are intrinsic to the Irish State, and acknowledges the need to increase access to, and participation in, the arts, boost our creative industries and preserve our heritage with a particular focus on language, landscape and the environment. The **Creative Ireland** programme can be downloaded from www.creativeireland.com

Who can apply:

This grant scheme is open to community groups and not for profit organisations, arts, heritage and cultural groups, venues and societies. Applications by individuals must be in partnership with a community, cultural or heritage group. All groups in receipt of funding from Tipperary County Council must be members of Tipperary PPN.

What Funding is available:

The level of grant assistance for any one project will range from €500 to €2,500

To be eligible for funding projects/events must:

- take place in County Tipperary
- be organised by a community or voluntary group based in Tipperary
- encourage or benefit participation in the Creative Ireland programme.
- be in keeping with at least one of the five pillars of the Creative Ireland Programme especially **Pillar 2 :Enabling creativity in every community.**
- be accessible to diverse audiences and participants and will be inclusive in theme and approach
- be designed on a realistic financial basis and provide good value for money
- be completed and payment claimed before 5 December 2017.

In addition the following details must also be supplied

- A full breakdown of costs for undertaking the project accompanied by quotations
- A timeline for completion of project.
- The anticipated target audience
- Any additional supports and funding that may be required and have been secured

Items that are excluded from the fund include:

- Capital projects and infrastructural projects

- Equipment
- Spends on alcoholic beverages, food, fines, legal costs, penalty payments
- Wages
- Generally the cost of items for resale are ineligible

Particulars of Funding:

- Grant amounts between **€500 to €2000** will be allocated for the purpose of this scheme.

Assessment process:

- All events and projects will be assessed on their own merit by an assessment panel
- Funding will be allocated based on the recommendations of this panel.
- Successful applicants will receive a letter of offer which will detail all conditions and requirements, this must be signed and returned by the date specified, failure to do so may result in funding being withdrawn and reallocated to another project.
- Due to resource constraints it may not be possible to allocate funding to all projects and eligibility and compliance with these criteria does not guarantee a grant offer.
- A list of successful projects will be published on the Tipperary County Council website.

Terms and Conditions

Payment is only made after the event/project is completed. If you receive a grant you will be required to provide the following once the event/project has taken place in order to draw down your grant:

- Evidence that the event/project has taken place
- Receipts for all items and full costs
- A report on the event/project
- Tipperary County Council and the Creative Ireland Programme logo **must** be acknowledged as a funder in **all publications and media activity**. Proof of this will be required to draw-down payment.
- All events will be included in the Creative Ireland section of the Tipperary County Councils Festival Calendar.

Please note: Where a grant is allocated to support a particular event or project, Tipperary County Council will not be responsible for the insurance of that event or project. Tipperary County Council recommends that event and project organisers ensure that adequate insurance is in place prior to the commencement of the project. Tipperary County Council will not be responsible for any approvals, permissions, licences or consents needed for the project, it is the responsibility of the applicant/organiser to ensure these are in place.

How to apply:

Please complete and sign the attached application form. Applications can be submitted by post to

Róisín O Grady, Heritage Officer, Tipperary County Council, Ballingarrane House, Clonmel Co Tipperary or by email to roisin.ograde@tipperarycoco.ie or mary.quigley@tipperarycoco.ie

Any queries can be directed to Róisín O Grady or Mary Quigley on 0761 06 5000

The closing date is **Friday 9th June at 4.30pm**

Any applications received after this time will not be assessed and will be returned to applicant.