Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

Arts Office

Call for Musicians in Residence

2017

Closing date: Monday 27th April at 12 noon

Introduction

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office invites applications for Musicians in Residence.

There will be two residencies offered in 2017

The Musicians in Residence scheme is managed by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office and is grant-aided by the Arts Council.

The Arts Office is open to applications from individuals or groups.

Applications are invited from musicians working in all musical genres and at all career stages.

Applicants (including all members of a group) must live, work, be originally from or have studied music in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

The residencies are envisaged as part-time residencies specifically for the development, creation and showcasing of new work.

Each residency will offer a fee and 20 rehearsal days in dlr Lexlcon's Studio (dates to be agreed at the start of the residency). Please note flexibility will be required around days and times available as the studio is a multi-disciplinary space. As part of the residency the musician/s must engage in three performances in the Lexlcon Studio or other suitable venues in the county (dates to be agreed at the start of the residency).

Budget information

The fee, which is **to support the development and creation of new music** can range from €6,000 to €12,000. The amount should be based on whether the application is from a single musician or a group and also on the career stage of the musician/s. The fee is to be proposed by the applicant. A separate limited budget will be available and managed by dlr Arts Office for the promotion of the performances.

The successful musician/s will be required to provide Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council with a tax clearance certificate prior to signing of contracts.

Residency objectives

The primary objective is

• To create opportunities for the musician/s to create and develop new work

Additional objectives are:

- To create opportunities for the musician/s to showcase new work
- To allow the public an opportunity to attend high quality musical performances.

Programme of Work

The details of the musicians in residence programme will be agreed in consultation with the appointed musicians. The programme will be supervised by an Assistant Arts Officer. In advance of the residency the following will be agreed:

- A programme of work focusing on the development and creation of new music;
- Clear goals, roles and responsibilities and agreed criteria for the Musicians in Residence and the Arts Office;
- The administrative support that will be provided by the Arts Office;
- Ongoing review and evaluation; regular meetings.

Site Visit

Musicians wishing to make a site visit to the LexIcon Studio will be accommodated on Thursday 13th of April at 6pm. Members of the dlr Arts Office will be available on the evening to answer any specific questions.

To book a place please e-mail Carolyn Brown cbrown@dlrcoco.ie.

Site visits will not be accommodated outside this time.

Selection process

Applicants must submit a proposal together with details of previous work to date as follows:

- Typed proposal outlining artistic ideas and approaches (no more than three typed pages); this should include an outline of the benefits of the residency to her/his/their stage of development as a musician/s.
- Budget including proposed fee and other expenditure related to the creation of new work;

- A typed curriculum vitae (maximum 3 pages) including your connection to the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown;
- Examples of previous work e.g CDS, sound files, etc that are PC/Microsoft Office compatible;
- Supplementary materials these may include reviews etc.

Please note: Applicants must submit 4 copies of CV and proposal. Only 1 copy of previous work and supplementary materials is required.

Please ensure that all submitted materials are clearly marked with the applicant's name. Please note that email applications will not be accepted. Late applications will not be accepted.

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Criteria for selection

Artistic merit and distinctiveness and feasibility of proposal (50/100)

• Quality of previous work (50/100)

Applicants must score at least 25 out of 50 in each category.

Summary of key dates

March/April 2017: Call for submissions

13th April 2017: Site Visit

27th April 2017 at 12 noon Closing date for receipt of submissions

May Selection Process

June 2017 Residencies Commence

Insurance

The musician/s in residence agree to keep the Council fully indemnified against all claims howsoever arising and howsoever caused in respect of any damage, loss or injury of any kind or nature, whether arising directly or indirectly from the provision of the residency and to provide evidence of Public Liability insurance which indemnifies Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council with a limit of indemnity of €6.5 million.

If the musician/s in residence employ other people to assist with the residency they must have Employer's Liability of €13 million which indemnifies Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. It is the responsibility of the musician/s in residence to ensure that other person(s) not employed by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, but employed by the musician/s in residence to assist them

with the residency have adequate Public Liability (€6.5 million) cover which indemnifies both Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and the musician/s.

Freedom of Information

The provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 1997-2003 apply to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. Applicants should state if any of the information supplied by them is confidential or sensitive and should not be disclosed to a request for information under the aforementioned Act. Applicants should state why they consider the information to be confidential or commercially sensitive.

Payments

The Musicians in Residence will be paid via the payroll system. They will not become employees of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and are treated as employees solely for taxation purposes. Standard deductions will apply.

Please send applications as hard copy only to:

Carolyn Brown Assistant Arts Officer, The Arts Office, County Hall, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, to arrive by the deadline stated above.

Email submissions will not be accepted.

Queries

Please refer any queries to Carolyn Brown, Assistant Arts Officer

E:cbrown@dlrcoco.ie or Phone: (01) 236 2760.

Please note that Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right not to appoint if none of the applications received are deemed to be suitable. In this instance Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right to pursue a different procurement process. Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right to change the number of residencies and/or the scheduling of the residencies in response to the submissions received.

Appendix:

Background Information:

dlr Lexicon Library, Dún Laoghaire

In autumn 2014 dlr Lexicon, the new Central Library & Cultural Centre opened to the public. This iconic public building is a crucial part of a programme of regeneration in Dún Laoghaire. It includes a

major commitment to provide public facilities and represents the single biggest investment by the Council in a civic amenity. dlr Lexlcon is a key component in the delivery of the cultural programme in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and its environs. It is a vibrant centre of learning and creativity for all those who live, work in and visit the county. It accommodates general reading rooms with a rich collection of some 80,000 books.

Arts Office

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council supports the development of the arts at a local level and aspires to provide opportunities for all who live in, work in and visit the County to engage with the arts as creators, participants and spectators.

Since the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office was established in 1994, the County Council has developed a high quality programme including exhibitions, learning and participation initiatives, festivals, public art projects and artists' residencies.

The goals of the Arts Development Plan 2016 -2022 are:

Goal 1: Public – Engage and Inspire

Goal 2: Artists – Time and Space

Goal 3: Partners - Enrich and Strengthen

The Musician in Residence Scheme is jointly funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council and the Arts Council.





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