

Call for submissions

Dún Laoghaire Baths Artist Studio Opportunities

March 2023- February 2024



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Closing Date: Friday 3rd February, 12 noon

dlr Visual Artist Studios

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office, with the support of the Arts Council, seeks to award two artists studio workshops for a period of 1 year, starting in November 2022. These studios are open to visual artists working in any medium however, your working methods need to be compatible with the space available.

The Council's Arts Development Plan identifies the lack of accessible artist workspace as the key barrier to artists career progression in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. This opportunity is an action of the arts development plan which seeks to address this challenge and support the career of dlr Visual Artist for a 1-year period.

The selected Artists will each be awarded exclusive use of an artist's studio in Dún Laoghaire Baths, and a materials budget of €6,500.

Dún Laoghaire Baths Artist Workspaces

The art practice must be suitable to the workspace provided. There are 3 individual artist workspaces ranging in size, number of windows and doors. Access to a communal area is also provided

Workshop 1, 19.6 sqm in size with 1 large window and 2 doors (1 external and 1 internal)

Workshop 2, 14.8 sqm in size with 4 windows and 1 internal door

Workshop 3, 17.8 sqm in size with 1 window and 1 internal door

Artist communal area, circa 45 sqm with 1 large window and 1 door

All individual studios are equipped with a Belfast sink, storage, lights and power sockets. A work table and chair can be provided. The floor is polished concrete, there is underfloor heating. Access to a wifi connection will be provided once the building opens.

Workshop 4 is a programmed art space measuring 42sq metres. It has large French doors, 4 windows and overhead skylights. There are 2 Belfast sinks, a bench for material preparation, tables and chairs. The floor is polished concrete, there is underfloor heating. Limited,

occasional access to this space, for the presentation of workshops, talks or classes may be facilitated subject to programme schedule.

There is access to a public bathroom and tea station. A public coffee shop occupies the top floor.

While the workspace has 24hr access this is to facilitate the work schedule of awarded artists only. Artists are not permitted to live or sleep onsite overnight or invite others into the building outside its normal operating times (TBC).

Artists must agree to adhere to the Health & Safety Policy of Dún Laoghaire Baths and work with Council staff, our Facility Management Company and Coffee Shop operator to ensure the safety of artists, building staff and visitors alike.

Eligibility

Applications are invited from artists who are living in or working in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown.

This opportunity is open to individual, professional visual artists only.

Artists must be able to make good use of this valuable workspace.

What we offer:

- A materials budget of €6,500
- Solo studio space for 1 year
- Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council will cover all costs associated with providing the residency space including rent and utilities.

The selected artists will be required to have Public Liability Insurance with cover of €6.5 million with a specific indemnity to Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council. If necessary, the artist will also be required to have Employer's Liability Insurance.

Briefing session

Dún Laoghaire Baths is currently closed as we prepare to open the whole building to the public so a physical tour of the studio is not possible however, a briefing session will take place on Tuesday 10th January at 11am. A video tour of the residency space is also available on our website and social media channels. To book a place for this online briefing please email arts@dlrcoco.ie with the subject heading **BAS**.

A member of the Arts Office team will be available to answer any questions on this opportunity on weekdays between Jan 2nd- 20th Jan 2023. Please email your questions to arts@dlrcoco.ie with **BAS** in the subject line and allow 3 working days for a reply.

A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) guide will also be available from January 16th on <https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/municipal-gallery-dlr-lexicon/d%C3%BAn-laoghaire-baths-studios>

Proposals & Selection Process

Applicants may only submit one project proposal for this opportunity at the Dún Laoghaire Baths. However, other opportunities are currently available in Dún Laoghaire Baths which individual visual artists can apply for.

Applicants are required to make their application via submit.com and include

1. A typed curriculum vitae;
2. Detail your connection to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown; eligibility for this award is artists living in, working in or from the County.
3. An outline of the proposed approach to the opportunity of a 1-year funded studio space and materials budget.
4. Detail the benefit of this studio space to the progression of your practice.
5. A short description of previous work (max 150 words), if appropriate;
6. Examples of previous work (no more than 10 examples in total). Images should include the title, its dimensions, the material/medium, the date and your name. YouTube, Vimeo links etc. may also be included. Samples of written work should be limited to 10 pages. Please supply direct links to any pages/sites you wish the panel to view and a brief explanation (max 50 words) of what will be viewed. All digital supporting material should be PC/Microsoft Office compatible. Where possible all information should be compiled into a single pdf document.
7. Applications should be no larger than 10MB.
8. Please indicate that you have availability of make good use of this workspace for a 1-year period starting in March 2023.

Selection criteria

Applications will be adjudicated by a panel of Council Officers, independent artists and arts workers. The decision of the selection panel is final.

Submissions will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- **Quality and feasibility of proposal for use of the workspace (35/100)**
- **Quality of previous work (35/100)**
- **Benefit of studio to your arts practice (30/100)**

Summary Timeline

Publication of Residency opportunity:	December 13 th ,2022
Online briefing session:	11am, January 10 th ,2023
Period to submit queries:	January 2 nd – January 20 th ,2023
FAQ Guide available from	January 16 th ,2023
Deadline for receipt of applications:	12 noon, February 3 rd ,2023
Successful applicants informed by:	February 2023
Studio period:	March 2023 – February 2024

Freedom of Information

The provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 1997-2014 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.

GDPR

All information provided for this application will be held for a period of five years from the date of submission and will remain in the sole ownership of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office. Information supplied in the application will be used only for the purpose of the application itself and will only be used by dlr Arts Office for the purposes of administering and managing this residency, including the selection process. You may withdraw your consent to the retention of the information relating to your application at any point by sending an email to arts@dlrcoco.ie

Submission deadline

The deadline for receipt of proposals is **Friday 3rd February @ 12 noon**

Applications must be made on [Submit.com](https://submit.com)

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right not to award this opportunity if none of the proposals received are deemed to be suitable. In this instance, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right to pursue a different procurement process.

This opportunity is funded by the Arts Council and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council.