Call for submissions

Light Up Dún Laoghaire 2020 – 2021 **Projections Project**

dlr Lexicon, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin





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Closing Date: 29th October 2020 at 12 noon Applications to cbrown@dlrcoco.ie

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office would like to invite applications for the creation of short animations which will be projected on to the exterior of dlr LexIcon in Dún Laoghaire.

These commissions are funded by Creative Ireland and supported and managed by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Arts Office.

Commission Details

The commission is to create a new animations that are responsive to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County. Applicants are invited to engage with the geographic, cultural and/or social context of the area.

The commissions will be selected by way of an open selection process. Each artist(s) will be paid a commission of €1,000 to €3,000 and will be given 8 months to deliver the animations.

The resultant animations will be projected on the exterior wall of dlr LexIcon in 2021 at dates selected by the dlr Arts Office.

The animations will be played on a loop and should be no longer than 3 minutes. Sound will not be broadcast so artworks should not be dependent on a soundtrack. Artists can at their own expense make a soundtrack available on an app or other suitable medium.

The artist(s) must take into account the prominent public location and must create a body of work suitable to all ages and families. The work must not be political in nature.

Eligibility

Applications are invited from artists who are living in, working in or originally from Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown or who have studied a relevant discipline in the County. At least one of the selected artists will be a graduate of IADT. This opportunity is open to individual artists or artists who work in a collaborative manner.

What we offer:

- Artist commission of €1,000 €3,000 depending on the artist's experience, duration of the artwork and complexity of the animation;
- Marketing material and PR;
- All technical requirements for the projection of the artworks.

What is expected of the artist:

- The selected artists must supply an original animation suitable to the context by the end of August 2021.
- The artist must supply the animation in a format suitable for projection on to the exterior walls of Lexicon.
- The artist must work with dlr Arts Office and the appointed technical staff to realise the projection of the artwork.
- The artist must be willing to engage in social media or PR activities in order to support the project if required.

Proposals & Selection Process

Applicants may only submit one project proposal. Please send applications to cbrown@dlrcoco.ie by 12 noon on the 29th of October.

Applicants are required to submit the following:

- 1. A typed curriculum vitae;
- 2. An explanation of your connection to Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown;
- 3. An outline of the proposed approach to the commission. Please include as much detail as possible at this stage, as to content, duration, etc, you may include sketches, images or video pieces;
- 4. Examples of previous work such as YouTube, Vimeo links should also be included. 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;
- 5. A fee for the artwork of between €1,000 and €3,000;
- 6. 2 letters of reference or details of 2 referees.

Selection criteria

Applications will be adjudicated by dlr Arts Office and independent adjudicators with appropriate expertise. The decision of the selection panel is final. Submissions will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Suitability of outline proposal to the context (40/100)
- Quality of previous work (40/100)
- Experience of delivering projects/commissions within set budgets and timelines (20/100)

Summary Timeline

Deadline for receipt of applications: 29th October 2020 at 12 noon

Successful applicants informed by: 20th November 2020

Commissions delivered by: August 2021

Proposed date for Projections: October 2021



Image of a previous projections project at dlr LexIcon

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.

GDPR

All information provided for this application will be held for a period of one year 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 particular commission, 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 submissions to the Arts Office is Thursday 29th October @ 12 noon

Please send applications to cbrown@dlrcoco.ie

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council reserves the right not to commission work 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.

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Background

Lexicon, Dún Laoghaire

In autumn 2014 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 LexIcon 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.

The library includes a public 'living room' floor overlooking a beautiful new park; this floor accommodates informal access to a taster collection, the Internet, newspapers and magazines. In addition there are extensive resources for the local community and a dedicated suite for young people. The Municipal Gallery is on this level also. The main lending library includes a state of the art children's library and caters for the varied needs and interests of all children. It plays a pivotal role of support for the Primary and Post Primary Schools in the County. The top floor in the building is dedicated to Local Studies, recording the history and heritage of the county. It also acts as a repository for the county's extensive local history collection. The room for the writer-in-residence is on this level.

The Council has a long and rich tradition of cultural provision in the county. dlr LexIcon has further developed its reputation as an area rich in artistic activity and continues to increase access to the arts for the general public. dlr LexIcon provides a unique opportunity for local art, heritage and cultural groups to showcase their work to a broader audience at a high quality, purpose-built venue. A multi-purpose performance space adjacent to the café seats approx. 100 people.

dlr 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.

Key priorities identified are:

- Participation in the arts for all, in particular children, young people, older people and dlr's local arts community.
- The encouragement of opportunities for the creation and showcasing of work.

- That all activities will offer opportunities for further learning and engagement.
- Advocacy for the development of the arts at local level.

Creative Ireland

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 wellbeing and achievement.

Creative Ireland focuses on 5 pillars with local authorities leading on pillar 2, Enabling Creativity in Every Community.