Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council announces continuation of dlr First Frames Short Film Scheme – supporting emerging film talent

Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council is pleased to announce dlr First Frames Scheme will continue for 2021/22 – supporting emerging filmmakers looking to develop ambitious and creative short films based in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. The County Council works closely with the National Film School @ IADT on this programme. An online Information Session for interested applicants will be held on Wednesday June 23rd at 6pm. See website for details and booking information: <u>https://www.dlrcoco.ie/en/visual-arts-and-film/dlr-first-frames-202122</u>

Cathaoirleach of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, Cllr. Una Power: "We're delighted to support emerging film talent in the County. dlr First Frames provides a vital opportunity for emerging filmmakers at a key stage of their career development. As a county, Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown has a wealth of amazing locations for film and this Scheme makes excellent use of these".

dlr First Frames is fully funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's Arts Office and Economic Development Unit, and managed by IADT. Funding will be available through the scheme to support two short films with awards of up to €12,000 (VAT incl.) each. Mentoring support will be provided by the National Film School, IADT with additional equipment and facilities from IADT.

dlr First Frames welcomes a diversity of filmmaking styles, themes and creative approaches. The principle requirements are good stories, and a passionate vision for filmmaking. The goal is to open the door to new and emerging Irish film talents. Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council's purpose in promoting this opportunity is to support emerging filmmakers to make vibrant and compelling films and to increase awareness of the variety and flexibility of locations available in the region. DLR's Economic Development Unit is supporting this opportunity to support employment in the film making industry in the County.

Application closing date is Thursday 9th September 2021 at 17.00

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