



Creative Places Tipperary Town is part of the national Creative Places programme developed and funded by the Arts Council.

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OPEN CALL for Socially Engaged Artists in Residence x 2

We are seeking two experienced socially engaged artists to work as Artists in Residence within the Creative Places Project. These Residencies are aimed at professional artists with a track record of working in the field of collaborative socially engaged arts practice. Two artists are sought to work independently with adults and children across Tipperary Town, including those who access services at organisations including Knockanrawley Resource Centre, Three Drives Family Resource Centre, Youth Work Ireland Tipperary and the wider general public who live and work in Tipperary Town. Contracts for services cover the period June 2023 to August 2024

Background

Tipperary Town is one of twelve places nationally that have been awarded a Creative Places Award from The Arts Council for a three-year developmental arts programme. The project in Tipperary Town began in late 2022 and runs until Autumn 2025. Youth Work Ireland Tipperary is managing the project in partnership with a range of organisations.

The project mission is to:

Support and develop artists and creative practitioners to collaborate with those who live and work in Tipperary Town to explore identity, bring vibrancy to the place and high quality arts opportunities to the people.

The Opportunity

These Residencies offers the opportunity for artists to grow and model their practice and make new work with, by and for the community in Tipperary Town.

Expectations of the Residencies involve public consultation and active engagement with people of all ages that will celebrate Tipperary Town, the people, their culture and stories, the past and the future, the landscape and streetscape, the place it is and could become.

These Residencies take as a given that artists and communities can meaningfully use collaborative arts practices to explore and express the issues that matter to people and make sense of the social, cultural and political issues we experience in a particular place and time.

Residency goals are to:

- **Provide the opportunity for artists to grow and model their collaborative practice.**
- **Explore sense of place, belonging and cultural identity with people in Tipperary Town.**
- **Encourage active participation in art practices and creative processes.**
- **Create new collaborative art works that can be shared with wider audiences.**

Applications are welcome from artists who work in any artform, including multidisciplinary artists working across a number of artforms. The idea of recruiting two artists provides scope for collaboration and mutual support. We are open to artists who wish to work cross artform.

The brief is open enough to allow Artists to shape their Residency with the community. There will be flexibility with regard to working days and locations within Tipperary Town. Proposed Residency details will be discussed at interview and further negotiated and agreed with the Creative Places team once contracts have been awarded.

Artists will have the input and support of the Creative Places Coordinator, Project Assistant, other artists, partner agency staff and interested general public during their Residency.

We are open to expressions of interest from artists at different stages of their careers and from as diverse a range of backgrounds as possible.

RATES OF PAYMENT AND AVAILABLE BUDGET

There is a budget of 9,000 Euro available for each Residency which will cover a contract for services between June 2023 and August 2024.

Rates of pay will be in line with the Arts Council policy for Paying the Artist and will cover development, preparation, delivery and post-production work.

Artists must be registered as self-employed, will be required to demonstrate tax compliance and that they have public liability insurance cover. Garda Vetting will be required.

TO APPLY please email the following to creative.places@youthworktipperary.ie

- A short biography (300 words maximum)
- CV, including a referee who knows your collaborative engagement work
- An example of a socially engaged art project you have devised and delivered
- A written or recorded video statement (no more than 3 pages or a 4-minute video) outlining why you are interested in this opportunity, how your experience and art practice is relevant and the engagement methods you would like to use.

The deadline for applications is Monday 8 May at 4pm.

Any applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

If you have an enquiry about this opportunity you can email creative.places@youthworktipperary.ie

PLEASE NOTE: The time window when enquiries will be answered is between the 17 April and 3 May only.