

## **Funding and Application Support Series 2023** **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> of February**

Speaker Information - Who you can meet with and hear from on the day

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February  
6-8pm

### **Artist in the Community Scheme / Collaborative Arts**

**Aine Crowley** (Programme Manager, Arts and Engagement)

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Áine advances Create's work to support artists and communities of interest and/or place to realise high-quality collaborative arts practice, through ongoing professional development support, project opportunities and the development of cross-sectoral alliances and partnerships. Áine coordinates the Artist in the Community Scheme, providing project and proposal advice and support, information and guidance to applicants.

#### **John Conway** (Socially engaged Artist & mentor)

John Conway is a visual artist based in Rua Red South Dublin Arts Centre. His work is characterised by innovative multi-disciplinary projects. He frequently commissions, curates, and collaborates with other arts and non-arts specialists to deliver complex multi-stakeholder projects, often in sensitive community and health related contexts.

He has been the recipient of the CREATE Artist in the Community Research and Development Award (both with and without mentorship) as well as CREATE's Project Realisation Award. He is also currently mentoring a number of artists who have recently received Create's R&D with mentoring Award and has sat on peer assessment panels for the awarding of both award categories.

Current projects include a collaboration with artist Fiona Whelan to develop a nationwide socially engaged art project with women impacted by the Cervical Check failure and a collaborative project with young people living in Direct Provision in Tramore.

#### **What funding will be discussed?**

The Arts Council's [Artist in the Community \(AIC\) Scheme](#), managed by Create, offers awards to enable artists and communities of place and/or interest to work together on projects.

The AIC Scheme also offers an annual bursary, as well as residencies and a summer school. The AIC scheme is open to artists from any of the following artform disciplines: architecture, circus, street art and spectacle, dance, film, literature (Irish and English language), music, opera, theatre, visual arts and traditional arts.

The aim of the AIC scheme is to encourage meaningful collaboration between communities of place and/or interest and artists. It is essential that consultation take place between the

artist and the community, so that both parties are involved in deciding on the nature of the project's realisation. Group ownership of the art should be maintained at every stage.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February

10am-12pm Information Session / 1pm-4pm One to One Support Session

### **Galway County Council Funding**

**Sharon O Grady** (Galway County Council Arts Officer)

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### **Who are Galway County Council Arts Office?**

Galway County Council is the leading agency engaged in local arts development in County Galway. Through its Arts Office, it is committed to working collaboratively and in partnership with others to provide excellence and leadership in the development and delivery of the arts throughout the County.

The Galway County Arts Office has been in existence since 2001 and has had much impact and success, managing a wide range of programmes and supports in collaboration with key partners. Over the decades it has continued to support artists, professional arts organisations and artform development. It has created arts initiatives for young people, community groups and specific Arts in Context programmes (Arts in Health & Arts in Disability and Arts in Older Years).

Galway County Council has over 25 years' experience in commissioning public art resulting in 15 public art projects ranging from permanent works to temporary projects. The Arts Office has overseen this extensive programme including the curated visual art collection, which is on display in our public buildings across the County.

### **What funding schemes will be discussed?**

#### **Artist Support Scheme**

The objective of this scheme is to assist individual artists to develop their arts practice and artistic career. The scheme is open to professional artists residing in County Galway at all stages of their career, working in any artform and context.

Galway County Council's [Community Support Scheme \(CSS\)](#) will be open sometime in February. The CSS will also include Galway County Council's Arts Act Grants.

### **Galway Community & Heritage**

**Bernie Doherty** (Galway Community Archaeologist)

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**The Galway Community Archaeologist** provides advice and support relating to archaeological monuments in the community. She is available to answer your queries on maintenance, preservation, education and promotion of our diverse range of archaeology which spans over ten thousand years.

Bernadette Doherty is a Professional Archaeologist and Heritage in Schools Expert. A graduate of NUI Galway her 30 years of archaeological experience include excavation, surveying, monitoring, recording, research, writing, editing and project management. She is a board member of Galway Rural Development representing Galway Heritage Forum, a member of ICAN (Irish Community Archive Network) and PRO for Woodlawn Heritage Group. During her three years as Galway Community Archaeologist she has instigated and supported a wide variety of community projects throughout the county.

### **Application development & building a funding toolkit**

**Fiona Hession** (Arts Administrator/Producer, former General Manager for Galway Community Circus) will guide you through helpful information and tips on making the strongest application you can. She will offer insights and supports on reading eligibility criteria, preparing yourself to apply and what to do if you are successful/unsuccessful in your application.

### **Communications; How to talk about your work**

**Keelin Murray** (Create, Communications and Publication Manager)

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Keelin is responsible for developing and overseeing Create's communications strategy across digital and traditional media, as well as managing publishing activity within the organisation.

### **General Information & support**

**Carolann Courtney** (Creative Places Tuam Coordinator)

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Carolann is responsible for programme delivery for the Creative Places Tuam Pilot and coordination of the national Creative Places network. Carolann's work in Tuam engages directly with communities, artists and stakeholders to successfully realise the programme's aims and objectives.



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