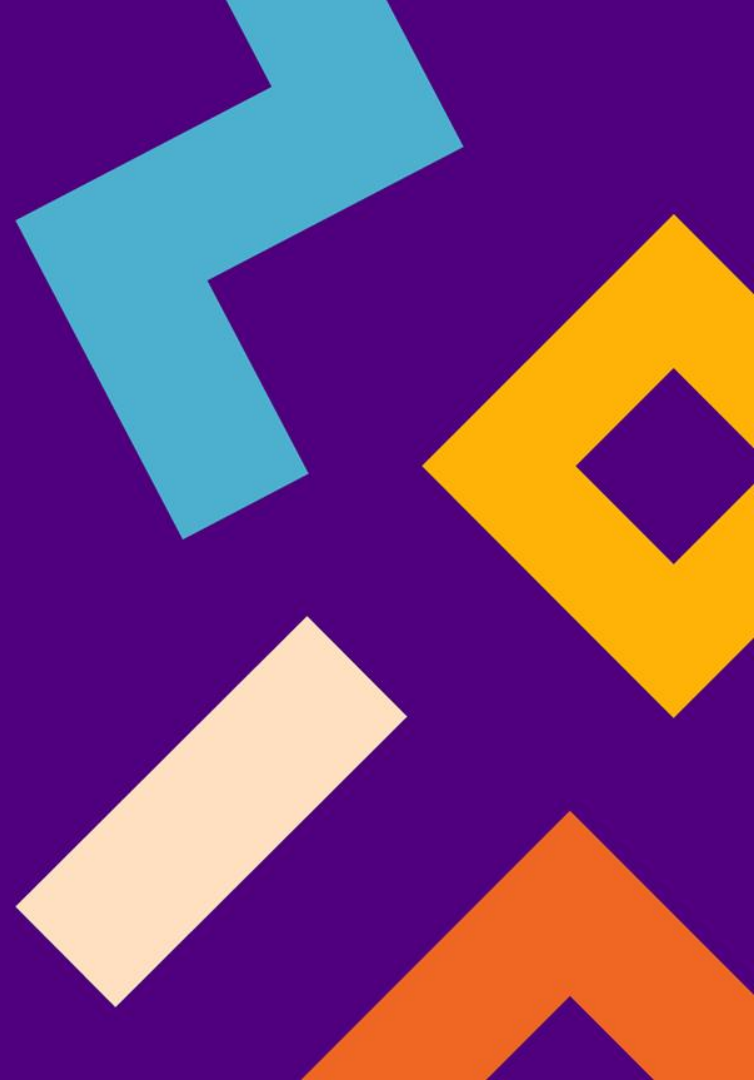




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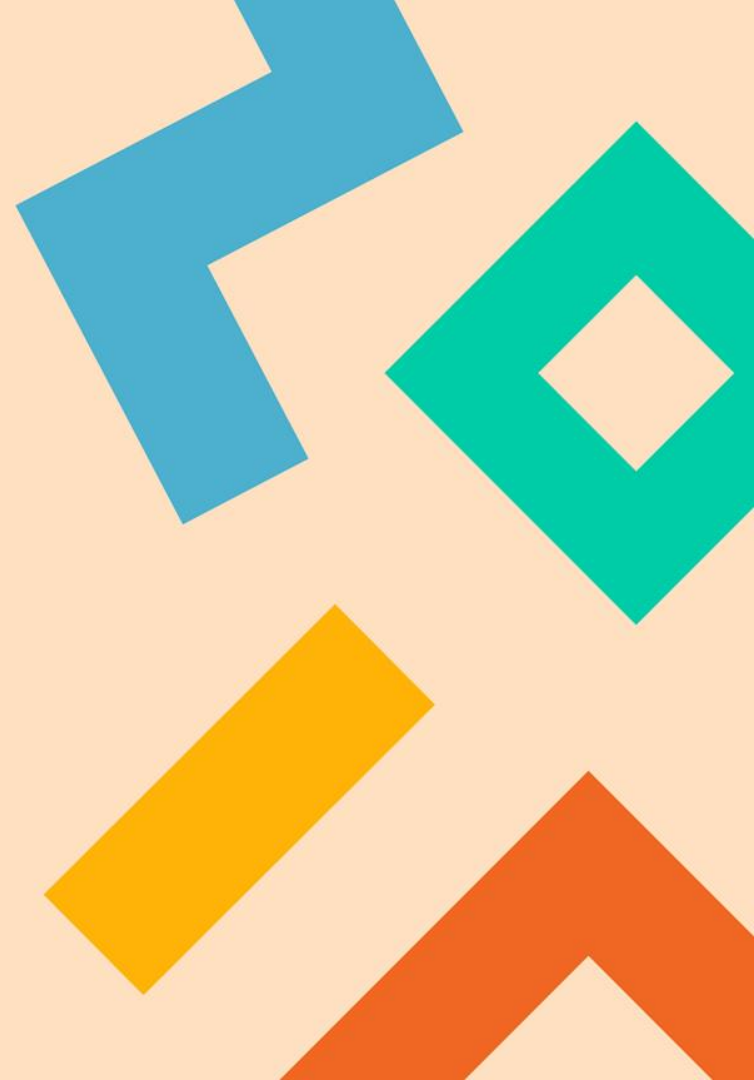


Arts & Disability Ireland (ADI)

Is the national development and resource organisation for arts and disability:

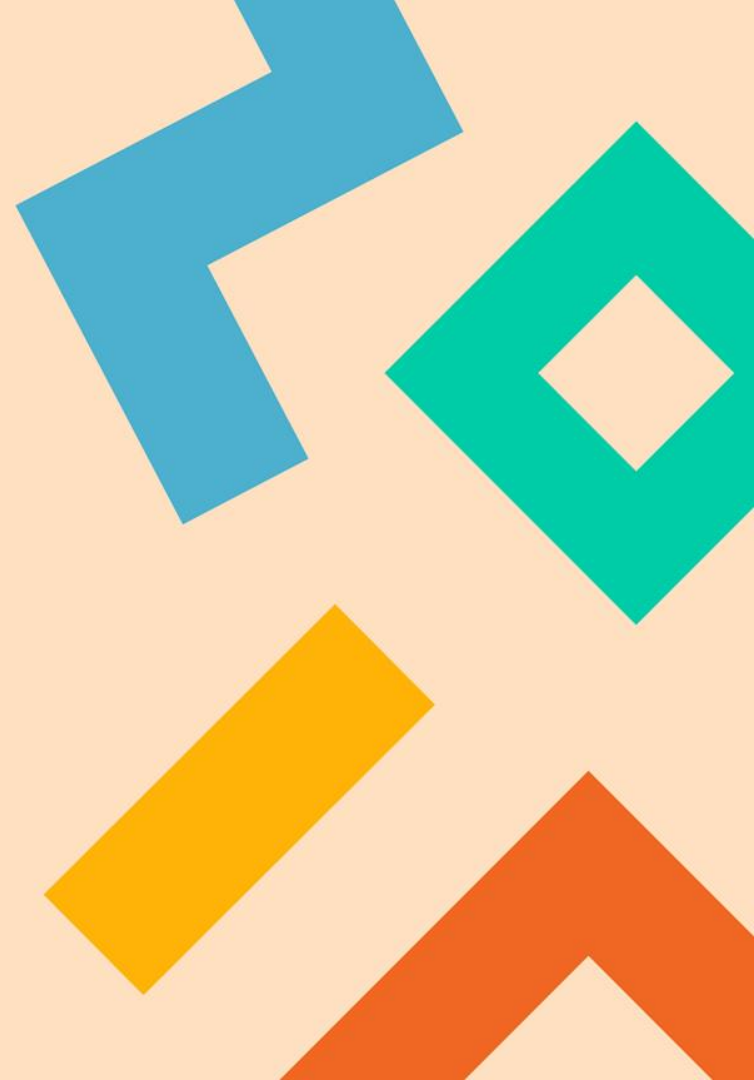
- Championing the creativity of artists with disabilities
- Promoting inclusive experiences for audiences with disabilities
- Working to enhance the disability-related capacity of arts organisations

We do this in partnership with the arts sector, and encourage the disability sector to do the same.



UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities definition of Disability:

‘Persons with disabilities include those who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments which, in interaction with various barriers, may hinder their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others.’





Arts + Disability Connect

A scheme for artists
with disabilities

Funding for artists:

Arts and Disability Connect is managed by ADI on behalf of the Arts Council and has awarded 156 artists €597,686 since 2014.



Access services for audiences:

Captioning of Druid's national tour of *Waiting for Godot* in 2018.



Training:

Delivering Disability Equality Training for artists and arts workers at the National Opera House Wexford on behalf of Safe to Create 2023.



Commissioning:

The Race by disabled choreographer Marc Brew in partnership with the Ark and Dublin Dance Festival in 2023.



Advocacy:

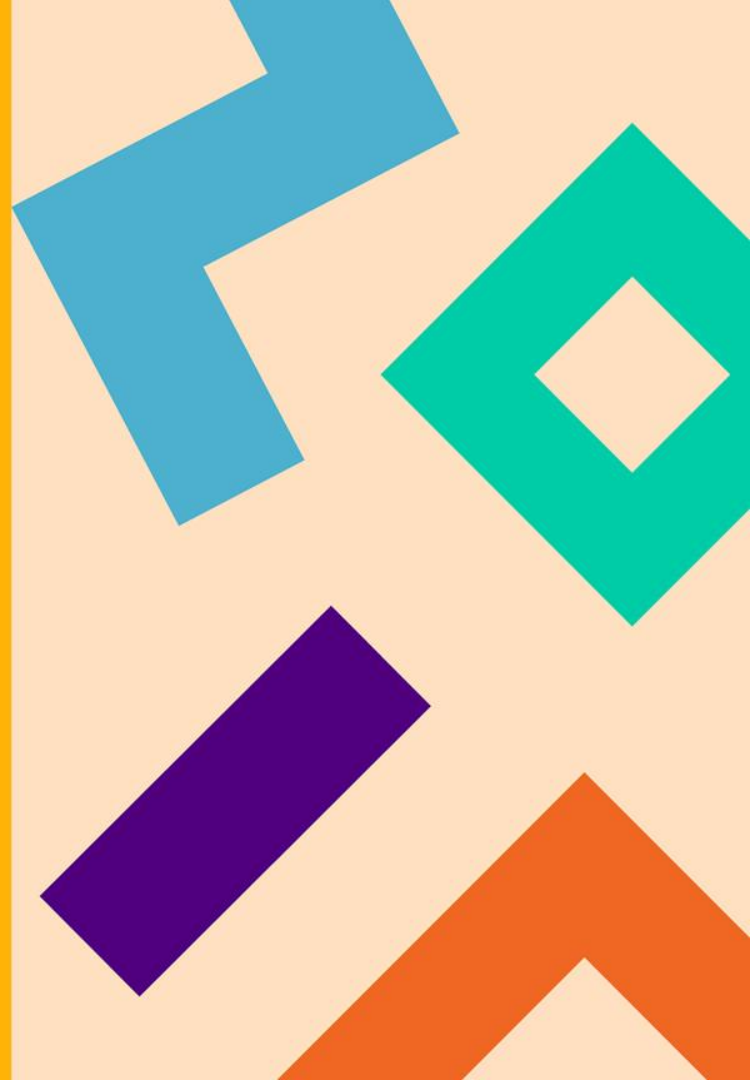
ADI presenting at the Joint Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts, Sport & Media 2022.



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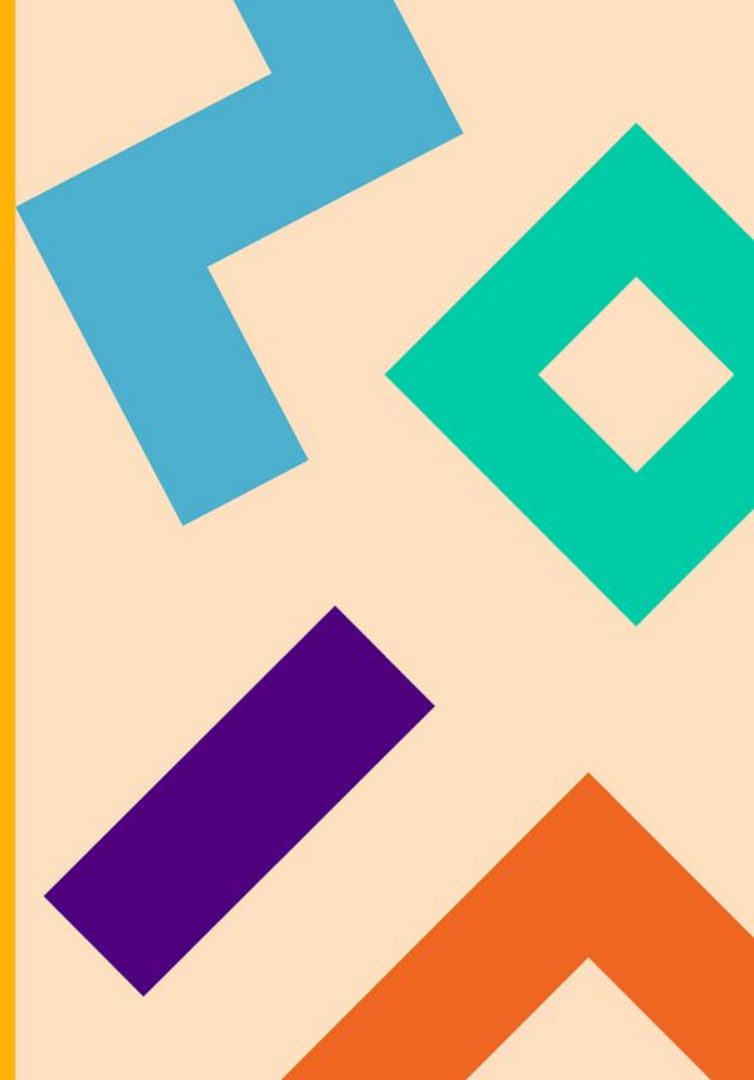


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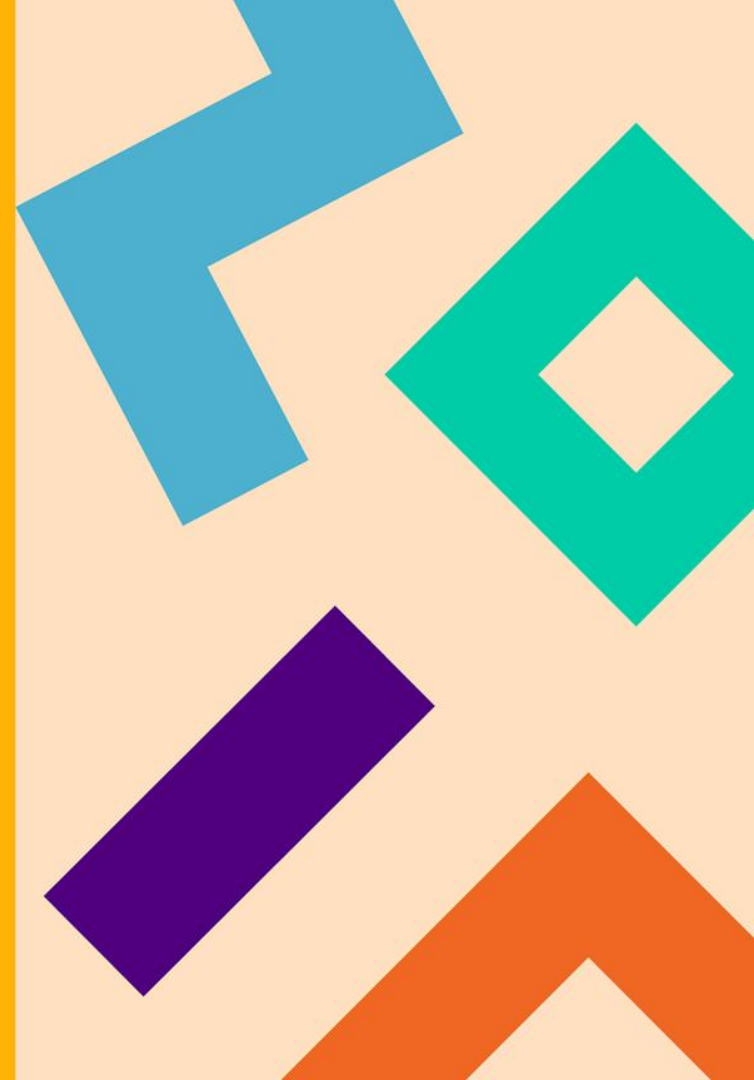
Who funds the scheme?

The Arts and Disability Connect scheme is an Arts Council scheme managed by Arts & Disability Ireland.



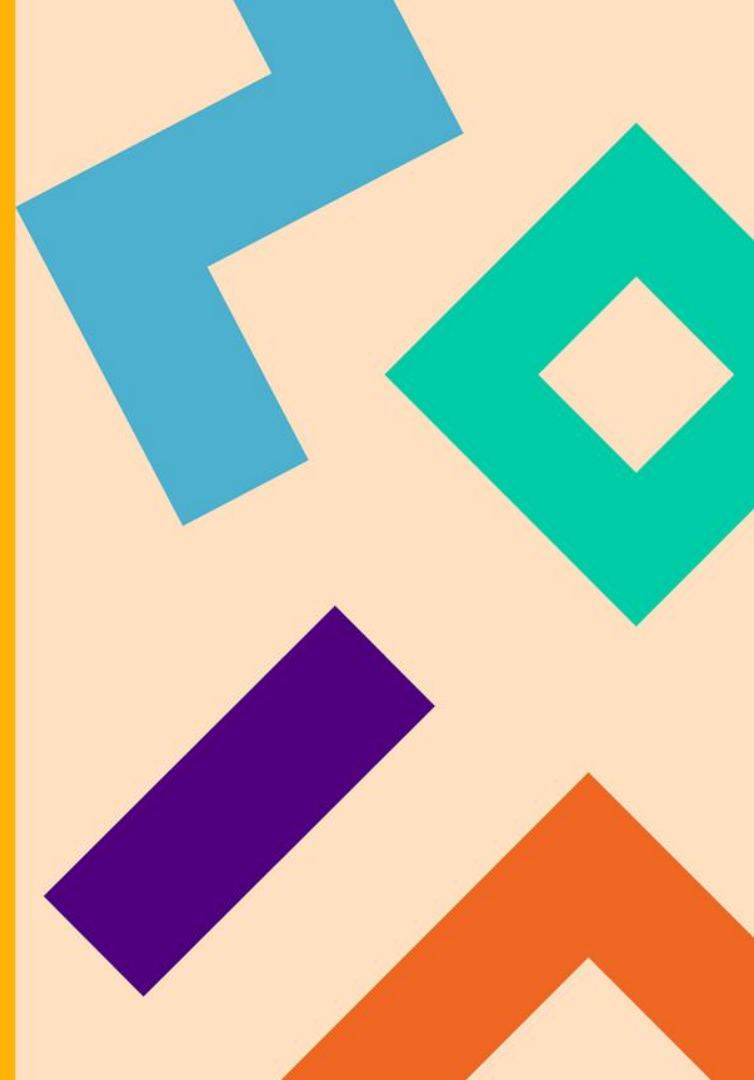
The scheme is designed to support individual artists with disabilities:

- to be ambitious
- to develop their practice
- to connect with arts organisations and arts professionals in the Republic of Ireland



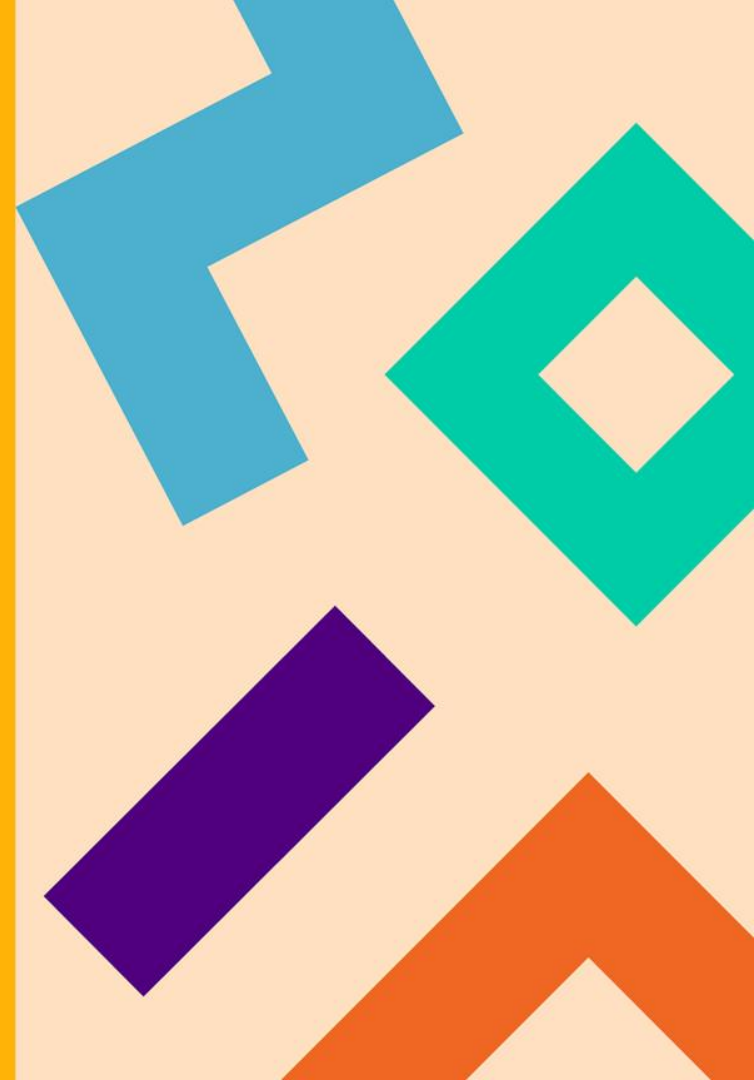
It offers artists an opportunity to:

- Make a change in their practice
- 'Step up' in terms of scope and scale
- Engage in new learning experiences
- Develop new working relationships
- Buy time to research and reflect on their work
- Make and present new work to audiences



What awards can you apply for?

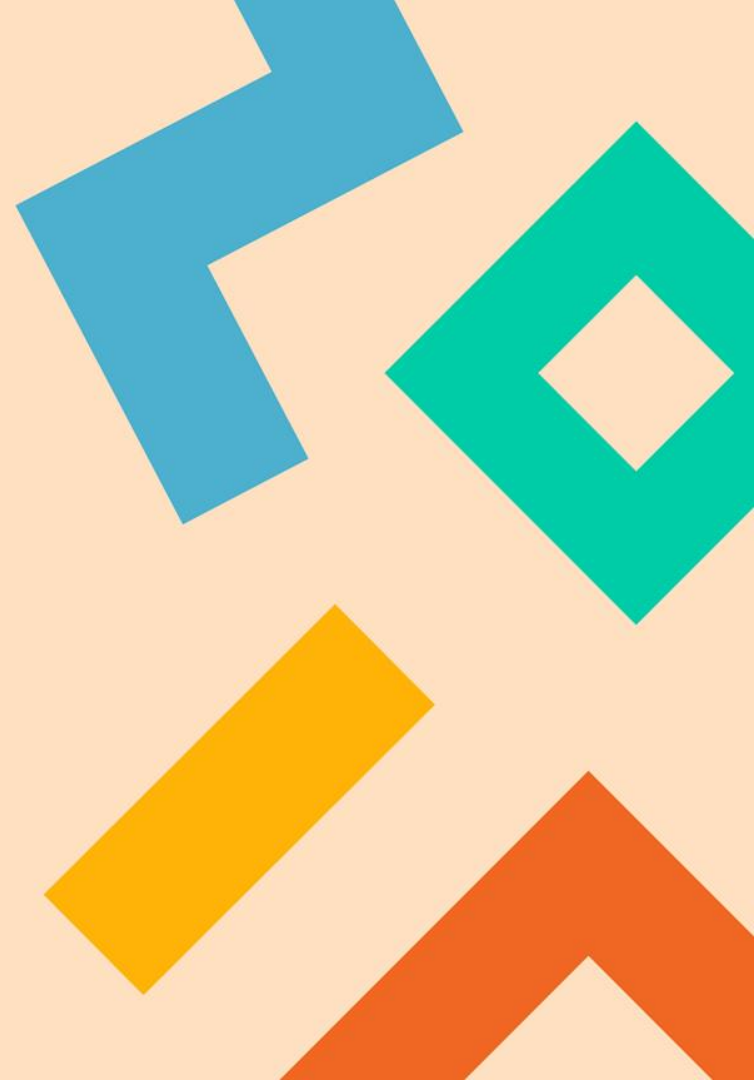
- New Work
- Research and Reflection
- Mentoring
- Training



New Work award

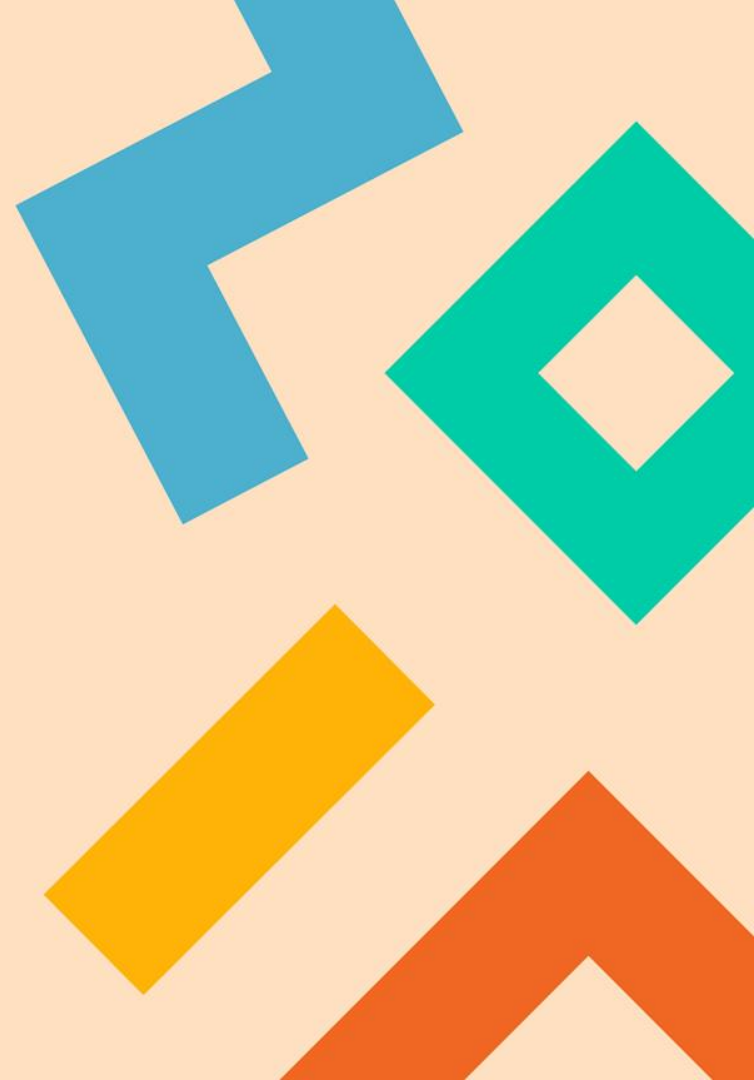
- Maximum €15,000 / Minimum €8,000.
- For artists with a strong track record.
- Funding to develop, make and present ambitious new work to an audience.
- Must have the support of a presenting partner.

Presenting partners can include arts centres, arts festivals, arts organisations and arts venues in the Republic of Ireland.



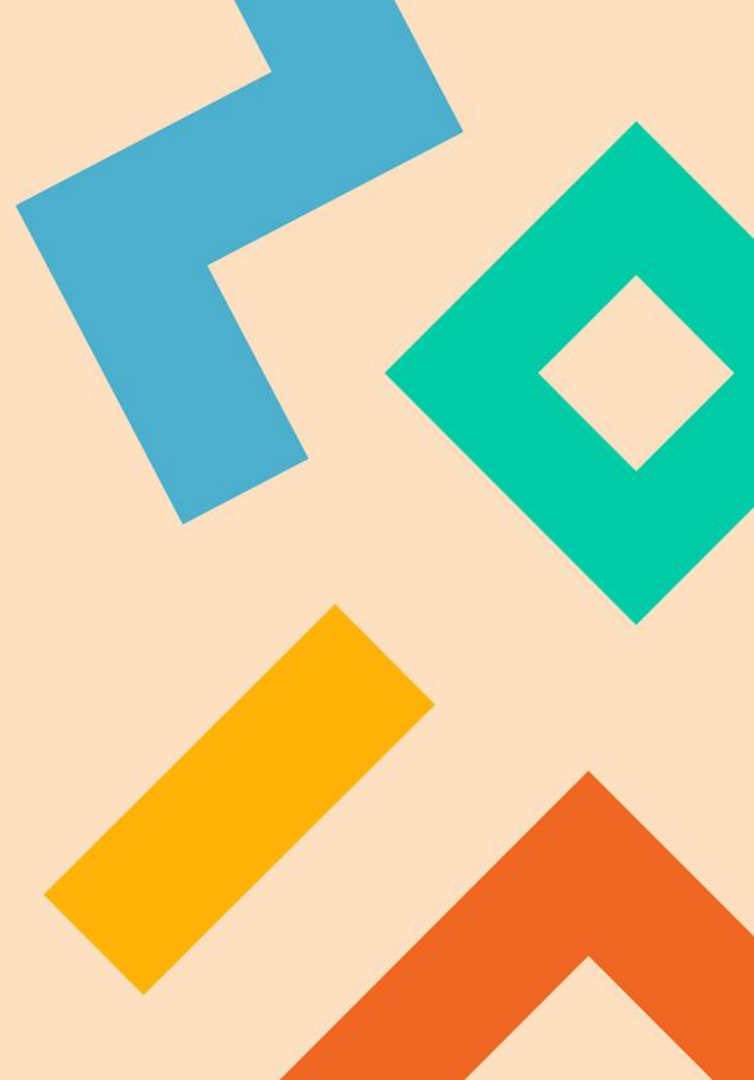
Research and Reflection award

- Can apply for up to €5,000.
- For artists who want time and resources to think, research, reflect and critically engage with their practice.
- Can be used to develop new relationships with partners to submit a New Work application in the future or to develop other strategic partnerships.
- 100% of the award can go to the artist as their fee.



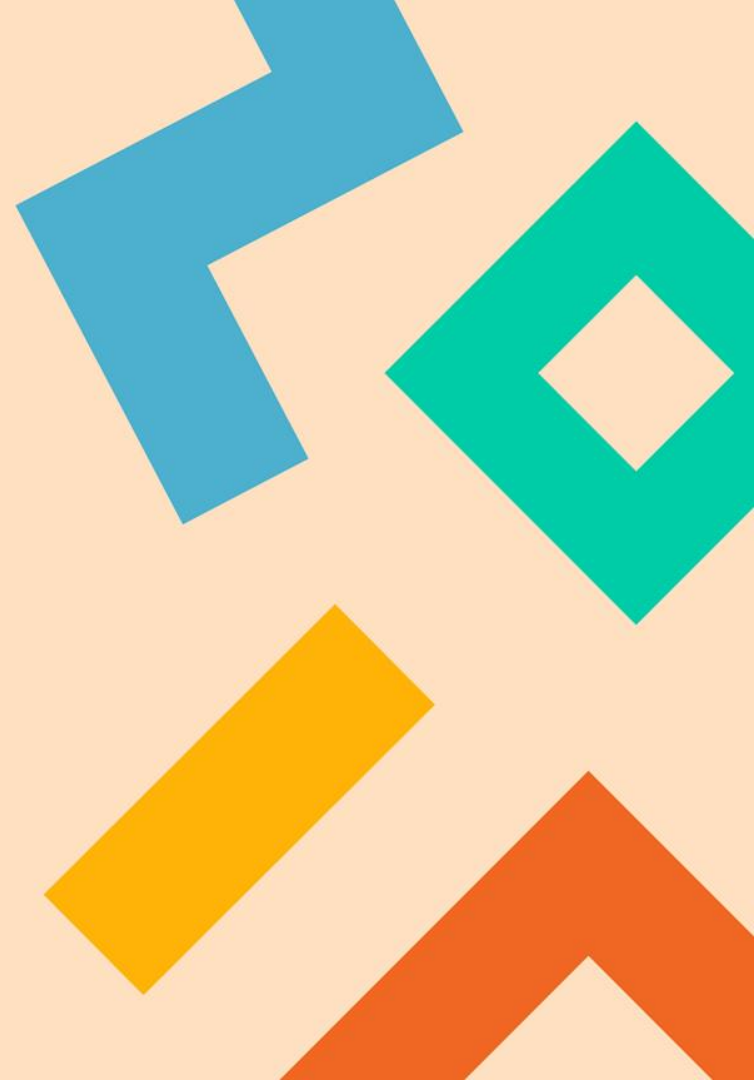
Mentoring award

- Can apply for up to €3,000.
- For artists at all stages of their career who wish to engage in mentoring opportunities.
- Opportunity to critically reflect, discuss, and experiment with aspects of the artist's practice.
- Explore alternative approaches to making and presenting work, share information, advice, resources and contacts.
- Includes a fee up to €1,500 for the mentor and a fee for the artist.

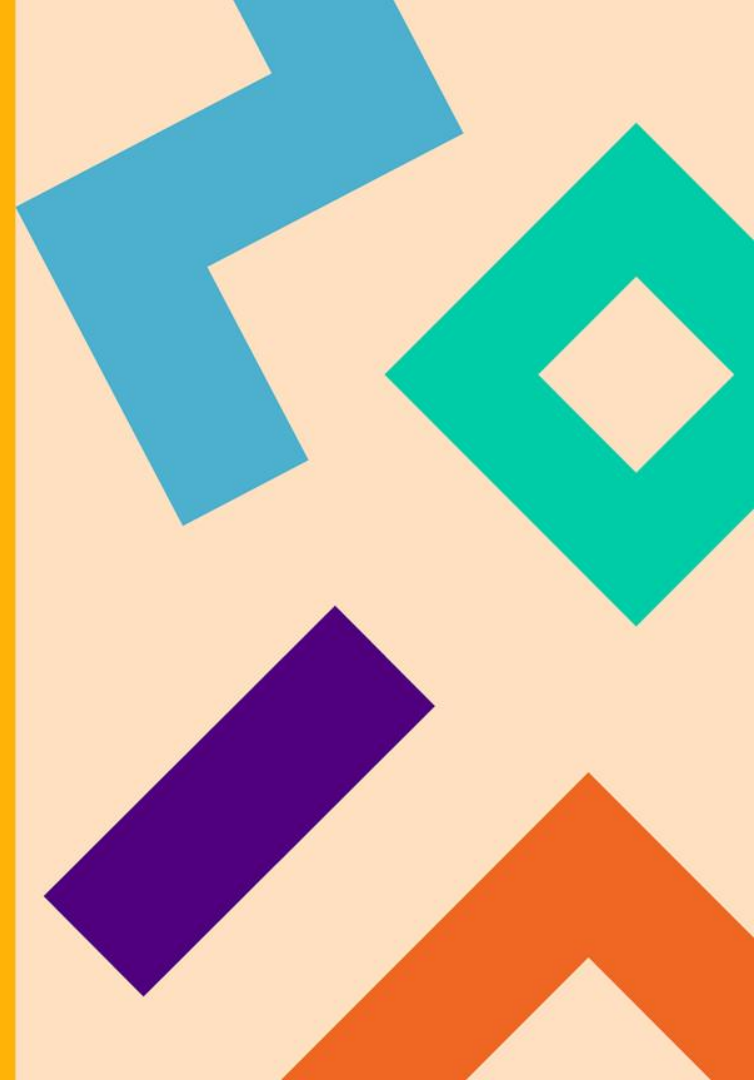


Training award

- Can apply for up to €1,000.
- For artists who wish to engage in professional development and other learning opportunities.
- Covers training days, short courses, workshops, masterclasses, residencies etc.
- Does not include a fee for the artist.

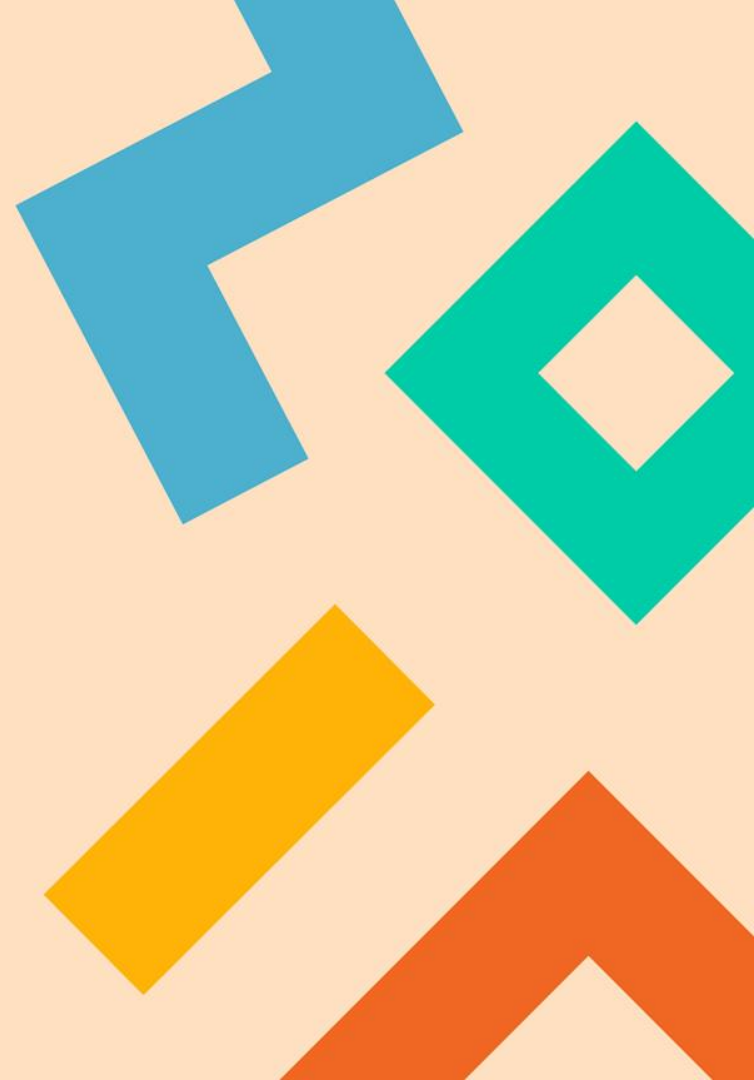


**What does a good
proposal look like?**

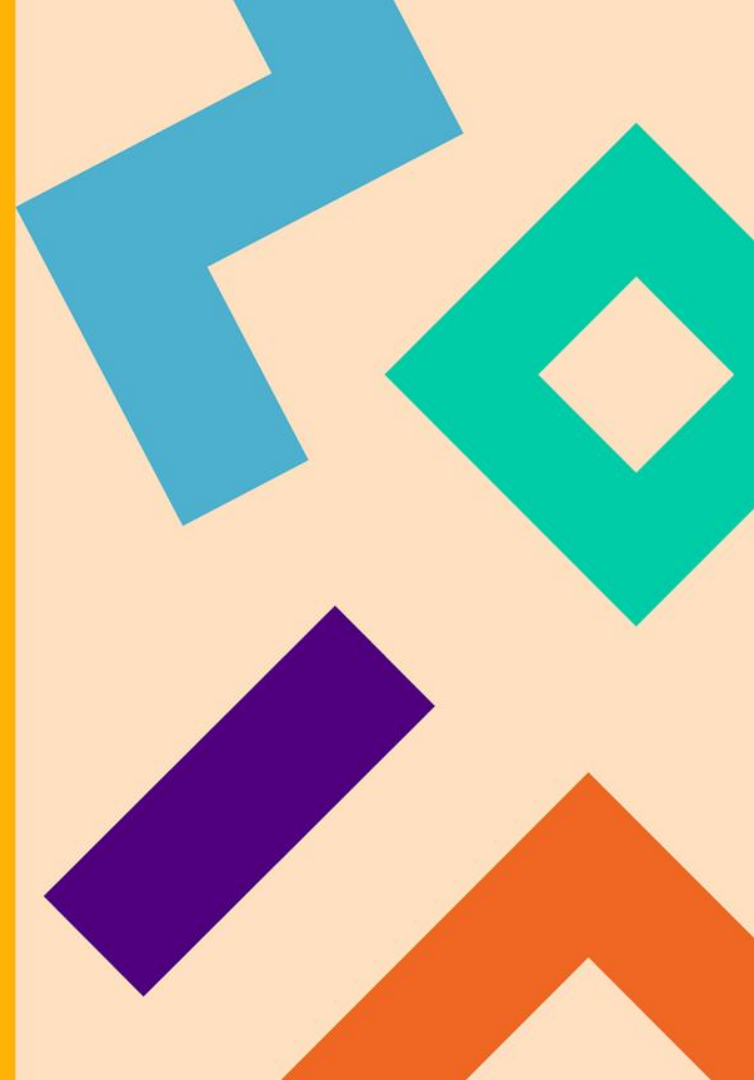


A good proposal:

- Has a clear plan
(what / why / how / when / where)
- Details how the award will help your arts practice
- Feasible
- Meets the objectives – always read the guidelines
- Strong supporting documents
- Answers all the questions

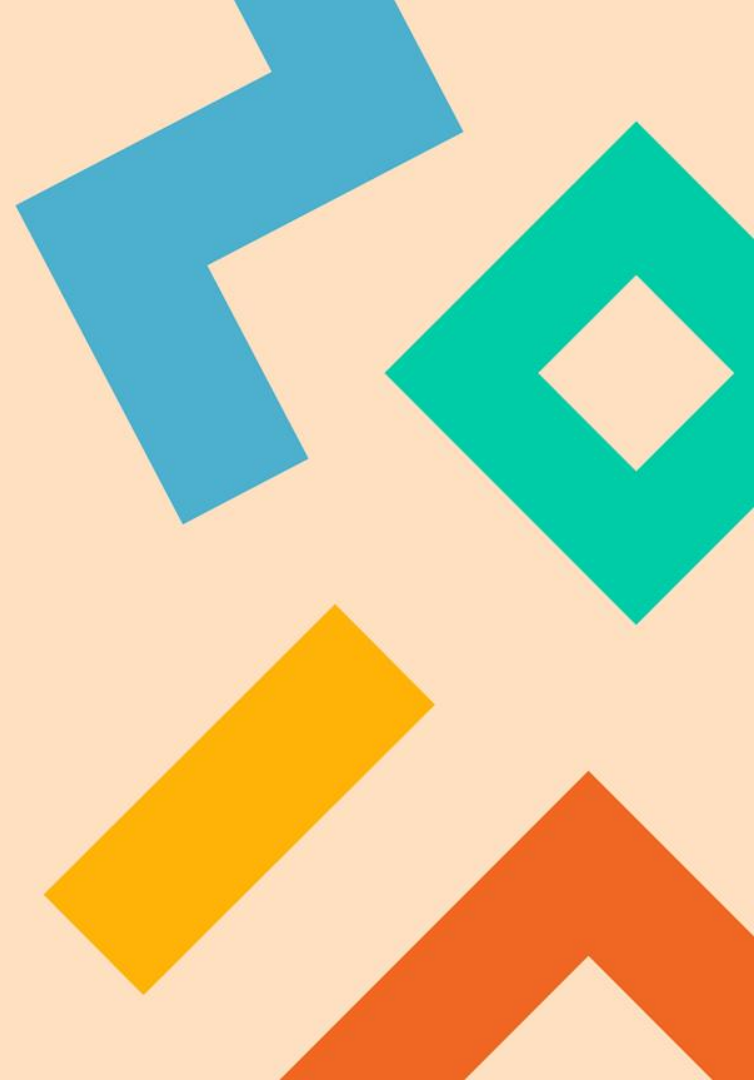


What makes an application ineligible?



Ineligible if:

- Activities outside Republic of Ireland
- Not an individual artist with a disability
- Do not have an arts practice (working in craft or design)
- Applying for capital costs/equipment (laptops, cameras, instruments etc)
- In third level education
- Applying with another artist or as part of a group

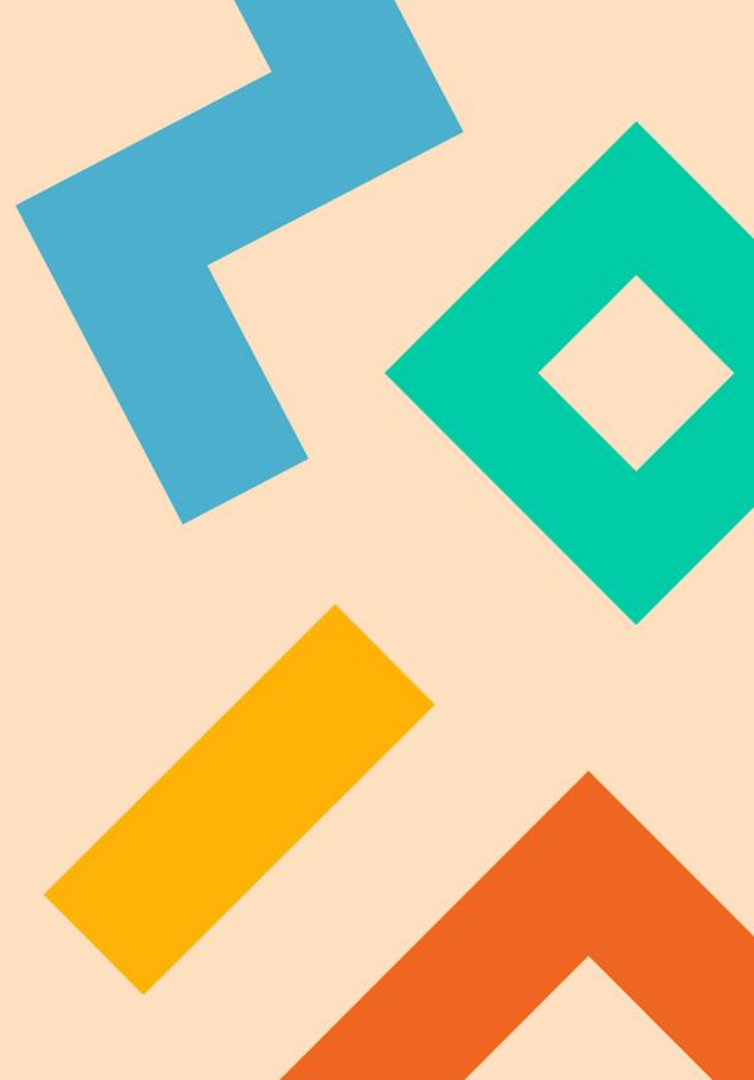


Post-application support:

48 hours to amend small issues with an application

- Budget not balanced
- Not included dates
- Not included supporting documents
(CVs, letters of support, or examples of work)
- Files in an incorrect format

Fundamental changes like changing your named arts partner, mentor or training provider will not be accepted.





When can you apply in 2024?

Round One

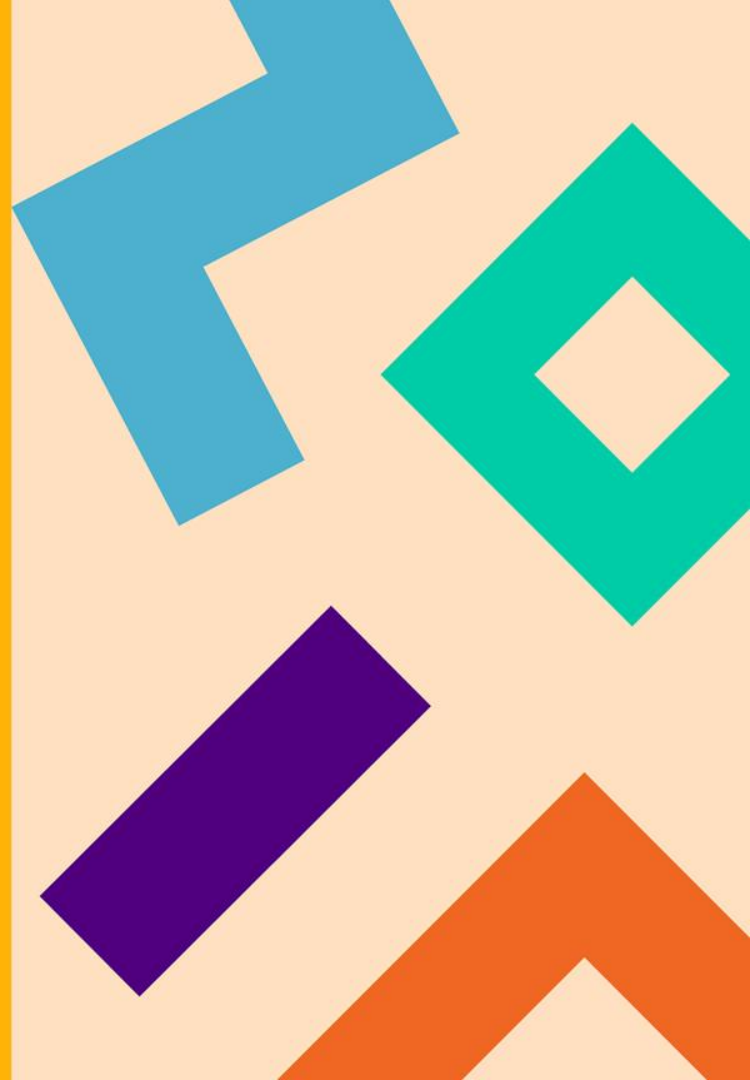
Opens on Tuesday 19 March

Closes at 4pm on Tuesday 7 May

Round Two

Opens on Tuesday 12 August

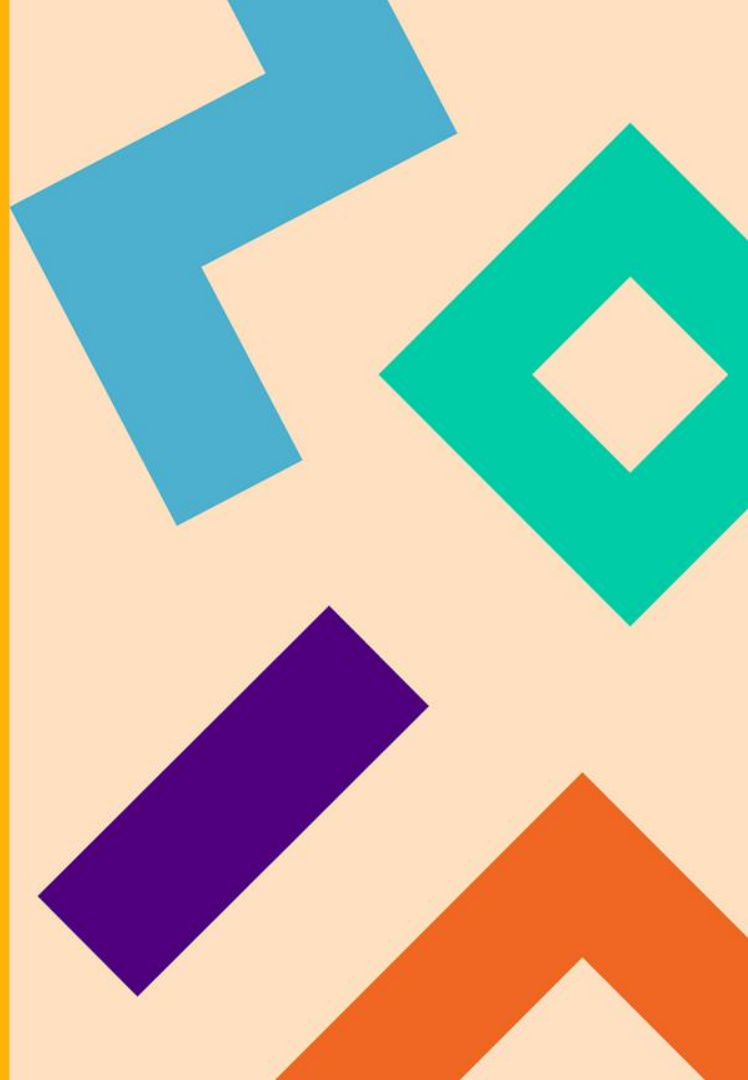
Closes at 4pm on Tuesday 8 October





Where can you find our applications and guidelines?

These can be found on our website at adiarts.ie/connect



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Arts and Disability

who have been awarded funding through the Arts and Disability Connect scheme from 2014-2023. Click on the artists names to read a short description of what they were awarded funding for.

Further information

For updates about Arts and Disability Connect, please see Arts & Disability Ireland on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [X / Twitter](#) or subscribe to our [newsletter here](#).

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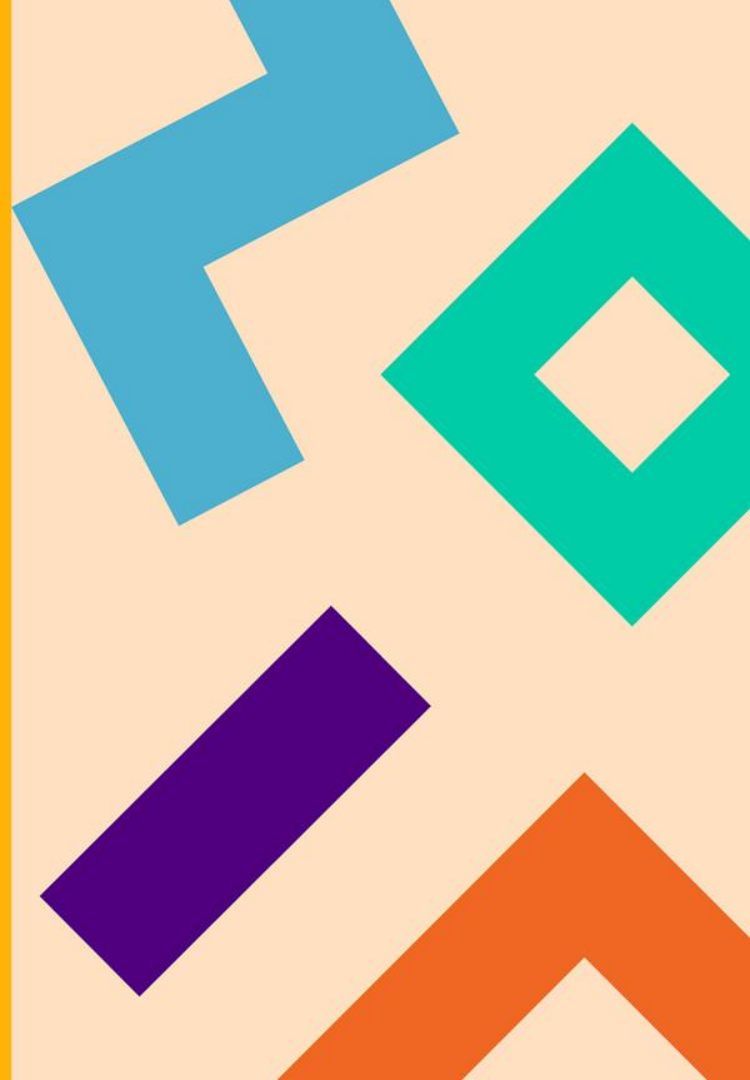
 [Easy Read 2023 Opportunity 2](#)

 [ADC Easy read on how funding decisions are made](#)



If you have questions:

- 'Come Ask Questions'
Live Q&A on Zoom
(Tuesday 9 April 12-1pm)
- Email connect@adiarts.ie
- Read the guidelines & FAQs
- Book one-to-one applicant support
- Watch recordings of information sessions on Arts & Disability Ireland's YouTube and SoundCloud.



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Application forms, guidelines, Easy Read information and frequently asked questions can be downloaded here from 19 March 2024





Thanks!

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