



ARTISTS EMERGENCY PROGRAMME FAQs

When is the deadline?

This is a rolling programme. It is for expressions for projects ending March 2021.

How much can I apply for?

Individual awards are available up to a maximum of £5,000.

Can I apply for the cost of equipment or materials?

Yes. Requests for equipment such as cameras, sound equipment, IPad etc will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

How long will it take after I apply to get a response?

We will do our best to make a decision within two weeks.

What is the total budget for the scheme?

The total budget for the scheme is £500,000. We are keeping this under review.

Does the work have to relate to the Covid-19 pandemic? *No.*

Can I apply if I am a student?

Students are not eligible to apply to this Programme.

Can I apply to this scheme and also to Arts Council's other schemes as they open?

Yes, but not for the same project or the same costs.

Is there a date by which I have to have a piece of work ready?

There is an award completion date of March 2021. We will discuss with you on a case-by-case basis how you will respond to that.

Can I apply to develop and idea without presenting it online?

Yes. The first objective of the programme is to support proposals for the research, design and future presentation of specific showcases, performance(s) and/or other forms of public presentation. Future access by the public to your work would be priority.

Does the work I make have to be broadcast quality?

You should endeavour to make the work as high-quality as you can. Any work should be able to be seen and/or heard by prospective audiences.

Can I collaborate with someone else?

Yes.

Will I retain the copyright in my work?

Yes, all work generated will remain in the copyright of the artist who creates it. You will be required to acknowledge Arts Council funding in the normal way.

I am an artist; does that mean I am eligible to apply?

Yes, as long as you have previous experience of delivering work for public benefit. This might be: working with children in schools; working with older people in care environments; craftspersons who have exhibited in public galleries or received commissions from local authorities or public bodies; projects funded by Local Authorities or community organisations in receipt of public funding, visual artists exhibiting in a public gallery.

By way of example, please find below different scenarios.

I am a writer. Can I draft/edit/read my own work? Yes.

I am a playwright. Can I devise/draft/write a short play? Yes.

I am an actor. Can I devise/rehearse/perform a piece? Yes.

I am a dancer. Can I create/perform a dance piece? Yes.

I am a musician. Can I create/perform my own work? Yes

I am a tutor. Can I pursue continuous professional development?

Could I do a series of things, like a new poem a week? Yes.

I am a festival organiser. Can I plan programming scenarios for a post-COVID world?

Yes.

I am the editor of an arts journal or magazine. Can I begin to plan future editions of the publication on a variety of themes, even a post-COVID one? Yes.

I am a professional with strategic arform responsibilities. Can I devise, plan, collaborate with others on post-COVID initiatives for delivery? Yes.

I am a creative producer. Can I devise new or strengthen existing ideas for delivery post-COVID?

Yes.

I am a worker with specialised skills deployed in the arts world. Can I refresh those skills through training or identify new skilling opportunities? Yes.

Arts Council will update these regularly throughout the duration of the submission period.