Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe
Galway City Council

Galway City Council Arts Organisation Grant 2027

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. I cannot remember my username/password. How can I resume a previous application?

A. If you cannot remember your username, please check the automated email issued from Galway City Council Arts Office that you received when you initiated your application process. Unfortunately, Galway City Council Arts Office cannot retrieve your password for security reasons.

Q. Submit portal will not allow me to proceed with my application?

A. This web application uses functional cookies. These cookies are necessary for the correct functioning of the application. Not accepting these cookies will mean you cannot sign in, register an account or apply. To proceed with your application, click on the blue bar at the bottom right of your screen.

Q. What happens if I submit more than one application?

A. Galway City Council can only evaluate one application per organisation/ company.

Q. I am not sure if my group is eligible to apply for this grant, or if our idea is valid. Can you advise me?

A. It is the responsibility of the Galway City Council Arts Office to develop and promote the grants, and to evaluate and administer them. It is the responsibility of any applicant to review our detailed guidelines and consider whether their organisation is eligible within the guidelines and suitable for potential funding. All completed applications will be considered and evaluated by an expert evaluation panel.

Q. Which strand should I apply for?

A. Professional Arts Organisations are eligible to apply for the Professional Strand; including:

- Not for profit Arts Organisations, including companies limited by guarantee (CLG), designated activity companies (DAC) and partnerships,
- Arts Organisations with good governance practices,
- Arts Organisations that deliver high-quality ambitious programming and projects,
- Arts Organisations based in Galway City,
- Arts Organisations that work in creative art forms including music, film, theatre, dance, circus/street arts, visual arts, multi-media, combined arts, literature, architecture, traditional arts, interdisciplinary practices and other artforms.
- Arts Organisations that engage with diverse audiences,
- Arts Organisations who show a commitment to dignity and respect in the arts workspace.
- Professional Arts Organisations will have at least one salaried employee.

If your organisation has more of a community/social purpose and runs on a voluntary basis, you can apply to the Community, Voluntary and Amateur Strand (CVA). Please read the guidelines carefully before making a decision about which strand to apply for.

Q. I don't think my group/ project is eligible for these grants. Will there be other funding opportunities?

A. Yes, further funding opportunities will become available through Galway City Council Arts Office. Please follow our social media channels for the latest updates:

- Instagram: **artsofficegalwaycity**
- Facebook: **Galway City Arts Office**

To subscribe to our mailing list, please email Arts@GalwayCity.ie with your request.

Q. Where can we enter supporting text for the images/video links attached?

A. There is no text box specific to this. You can make reference to your supporting images/video links in relevant sections.

Q. I am unable to upload documentation via the links provided.

A. This may be a technical issue depending on your connection and coverage in your area. You could try to refresh the page. You could also try a different browser, or a different internet connection.

Q. Can I meet with the Arts Office staff to discuss my application?

A. Canvassing will result in disqualification of application. The Arts Office staff cannot meet with applicants while the grant scheme is open. If you have any specific questions, please email arts@galwaycity.ie with the subject line 'Arts Grants to Organisations query 2027' and we will prepare a written response that can also be added to the FAQ for all applicants.

Q. Our organisation is running our annual programme of events, as well as a festival in 2027. Should I apply twice?

A. Galway City Council can only accept one application per organisation. It is recommended that you review the guidelines and that you include all your activity that is eligible under the scheme.

Q. Can I add a title and description to an image, video or sound file in my application form?

A. Yes, when you click to upload your file and then select your file, a title and comment box will appear. This facilitates you to add description and explanation of the context of your image/video/sound file in this location. This process may be used for each file.