

Laois County Council Comhairle Chontae Laoise

Professional Artist Studio Scheme at the Laois Arthouse, Stradbally.

GUIDELINES – ARTIST STUDIO

The **Professional Artist Studios** are located at the Laois Arthouse, Stradbally, Co. Laois. The Studios have been developed and are managed by Laois County Council.

Details:

- A studio without accommodation at of a fee of €250 per month is available for a period of up to six months, license of which may be extended at the discretion of Laois County Council.
- Administrative and curatorial support is available through Laois County Council Arts Office.
- Inclusion in the Laois Arthouse exhibition programme with Laois County Council if applicable.
- Facilities offered within the complex include a studio space, exhibition space, rehearsal space, kiln, garden space, digital equipment, and library facilities.

Criteria

- Applicants must be open to engage with the local community, to raise awareness and appreciation of the visual arts.
- The successful applicant must sign a License Agreement for the studio with Laois County Council.
- Should the applicant require the use of the kiln or digital equipment, they must have appropriate training in its usage.

Applicants are asked to submit the following.

- Completed application form should include a detailed proposal outlining the proposed usage of the studio and a work plan outlining ideas for the period described. Describe how the opportunity will impact and or affect your artistic practice and impact on the community (max 600 words).
- A current Curriculum Vitae that includes a short description of your education, current practice including solo and group exhibitions, commissions, publications, research projects, residencies, awards, or bursaries.
- Documentation of work. (applicants submitting digital info should do so on usb using open standard formats). Please ensure that your name is clearly marked on all visuals and files submitted. We will accept a maximum of ten images/photographs. Sound or video work on CD or DVD should be for a max. duration of 3 minutes only.
- Stamped addressed envelope (for return of supporting documentation if required).

Applicants may be shortlisted and invited to attend an interview. Before the final decision is made, copies of relevant educational qualifications will be required.

To apply:

Application forms and further information about the scheme are available from The Arts Office, Laois County Council, Telephone (057) 866 4033, website www.laois.ie or email arts@laoiscoco.ie