



OFFALY CULTURE NIGHT COMMISSIONS 2025

OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL ARTS OFFICE WISH TO COMMISSION A NUMBER OF CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT PROJECTS/PRESENTATIONS WHICH WILL FEATURE IN THIS YEARS OFFALY CULTURE NIGHT PROGRAMME.

WE ARE INVITING OFFALY BASED PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS OPERATING IN ANY DISCIPLINE TO SUBMIT UNIQUE PROPOSALS FOR THESE COMMISSIONS

WHAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR

We are open to **innovative** ideas that are cognisant of the theme **One Night for All**. Proposals can be an individual expression or work made through a process within the community. Culture Night is a national moment, celebrating culture, creativity and the arts and seeks to actively promote the belief that this rich and varied culture is alive, treasured and nurtured in people's lives, today and every day.

- Proposals must include information of how the applicant will be present the work on Culture Night to an audience (Friday 19th September 2025)
- All work must be ambitious, original and innovative
- Proposals should demonstrate potential for inclusive public engagement
- Important – One of the aims of Offaly Culture Night is to engage the Offaly public in quality art experiences. Thus the work must entice an audience. It must want to be seen, heard, questioned and engaged with.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- Be a Professional Artist living or from Offaly. ([For definition of same please visit here](#))
- Have a current Tax Clearance Certificate number & access number
- Have a track record of delivery of art work/projects

BUDGET

Budget: Up to €1,000.00 per commission

- Be inclusive of all costs, materials, fees, delivery, transport, expenses, and VAT.
- Will be paid in two parts: 60% on initiation of commission and 40% on delivery of final work, submission of report, images, budget breakdown and invoices.

THE PROPOSAL

Needs to be clear, detailed and address the following:-

- What is the works purpose?
- How will you achieve it?
- What outcome do you hope to achieve?
- How will it engage the Offaly Public?
- Where will it take place?
- Plan for promotion of your project
- Timeline for creation
- Means of delivery
- Address Health and Safety considerations
- Address the requirement for insurance and public indemnity particularly if operating with the public and within the public realm.

ASSESSMENT AND CRITERIA

This is a competitive process and your proposal will be assessed using the following criteria;

- Proven track record of delivery and presentation of quality artwork to strict time frame **300 marks**
- Potential for public engagement **200 marks**
- Innovative approach to the proposal both on a standalone basis and with reference to other competing applicants and in relation to the brief. **200 marks**
- Feasibility of the proposal with particular emphasis on submitted budget **300 marks**

SUBMISSION & PROPOSAL

Please submit the following by Monday 26th May 2025 @5:00pm

- A cover letter
- Resume with links to recent works
- Detailed proposal
- A detailed budget – attach quotes where applicable
- Tax Clearance Number & Access Number

Please submit your application via submit.com. Enquires welcome to arts@offalycoco.ie 057 9357400

Link to application here: <https://submit.link/3tP>