



OPEN CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - FACILITATORS PANEL 2023

Information Document

Esker Arts Centre, the new state of the art facility based in Tullamore Co. Offaly welcomes applications of interest to form a new **Facilitators Panel** from 2023 - 2024.

We welcome applications of interest from experienced arts and creative facilitators, educators, academics and advisors to form the Esker Arts inaugural Facilitators Panel 2023 - 2024. This panel will be an exclusive list of arts practitioners across various levels, disciplines and levels of expertise, who have an interest in facilitating workshops, teaching art classes or performative arts sessions, hosting creative training sessions or courses, participating in exhibition selection processes, or hosting arts relevant events at Esker Arts. This description is non-exhaustive, and only a sample of creative facilitation practices.

This is an excellent opportunity to be part of the Esker Arts inaugural establishment and celebrate exposure to the arts across the Midlands in Ireland. The facility warmly extends the use of multiple workshop, rehearsal and meeting spaces for any proposed activity through this Open Call.

The selection of this Facilitators Panel will be done by an external panel of arts professionals and be subject to space suitability and ongoing programming.

Eligibility relates to:

- Any experienced arts or creative facilitator/teacher or practitioner based in or practising across Ireland
- Practitioners working across all mediums and disciplines are eligible to apply
- Collaborations or group submissions are also welcome
- Previous experience in arts facilitation activities is preferred

Esker Arts Centre is committed to provide technical and administrative support as needed, generation of marketing and promotional material for the output of any activity, and support by staff when necessary. Esker Arts commits to fair and equitable remuneration in the contracting and payment of artists, educators and facilitators for this Panel.

Facilitators are to be aware that they are solely responsible for their own transportation to and from the Esker Arts Centre in Tullamore prior to any in-person meetings or activity. Applicants are advised that Garda vetting may be applicable for activities relating to vulnerable or children's groups.

To apply, please email info@eskerarts.ie with your CV, a Cover Letter expressing your interest in being part of this Panel, and evidence of previous work in facilitation, teaching, community or collaborative practise (up to 5 examples). Please outline any specific communities you may have worked with in the past, or wish to work with in future projects, along with any requirements or accommodations you need to facilitate your ideas.

Deadline for entries of interest is **5pm, July 1st 2023**. No late entries will be considered.

Esker Arts Centre represents the significant local ambition for a vibrant Arts Centre and is the culmination of many years of work by Offaly County Council, Tullamore Community Arts Centre CLG and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. In addition to exhibition spaces, the centre also features a 228-seat performing arts space, an open-air amphitheatre, workshop spaces, as well as a theatre bar.

For queries or questions, email info@eskerarts.ie ahead of the deadline.

