



OFFALY ARTISTS OPEN CALL 2023

Information Document

Esker Arts, the new state of the art facility based in Tullamore Co. Offaly welcomes applications of interest from artists of all disciplines to feature in an exciting new exhibition opportunity - **an Offaly Artists Exhibition**, which will run at the Centre from November to December 2023.

Eligibility:

All artists originating from or currently residing in County Offaly. Artists at all stages of their professional career may apply. Please specify this in your Submission.

How to apply?

Please complete the **Online Submission Form** at the link [here](#). There is no fee to apply. Within the form you will be allowed to submit good quality images of up to 4 artworks, or alternatively you can attach 1 PDF Portfolio for a wider collection of works. Please note that the selection of works chosen is by the decision of the exhibition curator and selection panel.

- All mediums accepted across painting, sculpture, print, photography, performance, video and mixed media, ceramics, etc. Collectives / collaborations welcome.
- All works must be produced in the last 5 years.
- Works will need to be complete and installation ready ahead of the exhibition.
- It is the responsibility of the artists to have their works delivered to Esker Arts for the exhibition at the agreed dates and times outlined.
- An artist's fee will be given to all selected participating artists.

- Artists are to be aware that they are solely responsible for the transportation of their work to the Esker Arts Centre prior to the installation dates as outlined.
- Esker Arts will provide installation for the exhibition, as well as the provision of an exhibition opening event, and a comprehensive marketing and promotional campaign before and during the run of the exhibition.

The deadline for submissions of work is 5pm, Tuesday 1st August 2023.

No late entries will be considered.

If you require assistance in completing this application for the Open Call, please email info@eskerarts.ie **ahead of the deadline**, and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Exhibition Ancillary events *may* include:

- Gallery Talks and tours
- Interview promotions with selected artists
- Response workshops for local community groups

Exhibition Sales: Artists are welcome to sell their works during the run of this exhibition. Esker Arts are required to take a commission percentage of 20% for all sales.

Curator:

This exhibition will be curated by Patrick T. Murphy, Director of the Royal Hibernian Academy (RHA).

Additional Information:

This is an excellent opportunity to be part of the Esker Arts inaugural establishment, first Open Call, and to celebrate exposure to the arts across the Midlands in Ireland. The exhibition will be installed across 2 large exhibition galleries at the Esker Arts Centre, which offer expansive wall and floor space, natural and spot lighting, and accessible entry by visitors through the main foyer.

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.

Check it out here: [Welcome to Esker Arts Centre - First Look! - YouTube](#)

For more information about Esker Arts Centre Tullamore, visit www.eskerarts.ie or check out any of our other social media channels on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube or LinkedIn.

Interested in other opportunities? Find out more here: [Opportunities | Esker \(eskerarts.ie\)](https://eskerarts.ie)

For Gallery images, please see across on the next page.

For any enquiries, email info@eskerarts.ie with the subject line **Offaly Artists Open Call**. Please note that we cannot assist with any submission queries after the deadline.

[Link to the Online Application Form here.](#)



