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# WRITING A BURSARY APPLICATION TRAINING

### An Irish Theatre Institute Artist Supports & Training workshop

Are you a **professional Theatre Artist** planning to apply to the Arts Council's Bursary Awards in July 2016\*? Do you know what your proposal is but stumble over how to clearly articulate it? Do you need help deciphering the guidelines and ensuring your application is eligible? Are you hesitant about how to begin tackling the application process? Do you know what type of supporting material you need?

## ARE YOU AN INDEPENDENT THEATRE ARTIST? ARE YOU APPLYING FOR A BURSARY AWARD?

**Irish Theatre Institute** invites applications for its intensive **bursary application workshop** for artists, focussing on the practicalities of preparing for, writing and submitting a bursary application. Some questions that will be addressed include:

- What Bursary Award can you apply for and are you eligible to apply?
- What is your proposal and does it meet the objectives and priorities of the award?
- What is a statement of artistic practice?
- What type of supporting material should you include? How much is enough?
- Have you scheduled a realistic timeline for your proposal?
- What are the financial needs of your proposal and have you included financial/in-kind supports?
- Does your project meet the Award assessment criteria?
- Have you got *all* of the supporting material you need to ensure your application is eligible?

#### Criteria

- Participants must be professional theatre artists.\*\*
- Participants *must* intend to participate in the upcoming Arts Council Bursary Award application process (deadline 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016).
- Participants *must* be fully available to commit to the *afternoon* workshop on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm.

\*\*an individual working professionally in a creative capacity within theatre - i.e. playwright, theatre-maker, director, actor, designer, and/or producer. (Definition taken from the *Arts Council Theatre Bursary Award 2016 Guidelines for applicants*).

\*in particular Next Generation Bursary Award (Theatre) and Arts Participation Bursary Award

#### Cost

• €20 per person – includes tea/coffee, snacks and training materials

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#### Date & Venue

- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016
- Irish Theatre Institute, 17 Eustace Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2

#### Requirements

- Each individual artist must complete and return an application form, accompanied by a CV, outlining their recent professional theatre activities and intended proposal for the Bursary Award application process. (NO MORE THAN 200 WORDS).
- The Application Form should be completed in full and sent by email to Eláine Donnelly, General Manager, edonnelly@irishtheatreinstitute.ie

#### **Selection Process**

- Applications will be assessed by ITI staff, with a view to selecting participants who satisfactorily meet the criteria set.
- Application is by open call to ensure fair selection and a wide range of participants.
- Places are limited to artists who have not previously undertaken this training workshop.

#### **Application Deadline**

• Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June, 5pm

#### Acknowledgement

• All applications will be acknowledged by email. *If you apply and do not receive an email please contact us to ensure your application has reached us safely.* 

**Please note:** The workshop can accommodate a maximum of **8** participants. While ITI cannot guarantee that your Bursary Grant application will be successful we *can* provide you with the skills and the knowledge that will assist with this and other future applications.

Self-Producing Artist Training is an initiative of ITI Mentoring and will be led by Co-Directors Siobhán Bourke and Jane Daly and General Manager, Eláine Donnelly. #ITITraining

#### **Upcoming #ITITraining 2016**

In **July 2016** ITI will run its one day **Project Award application training** for artists planning to apply to the Arts Council Theatre Project Award.

In **autumn 2016** ITI will run its two-day **Self Producing Artist Strategic and Creative Planning workshop** to complement and build the self-producing artist's skills base.

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## **BURSARY AWARD APPLICATION TRAINING**

#### **Application Form**

Name:

**Company Name** (*if applicable*):

**Details of your professional production(s) to date:** (including dates, venues, no. of performances)

Details of your proposal: (200 words max)

How do you think this training opportunity will benefit you? (50 words max)

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