**Open Call for Tipperary Cruinniú na nÓg 2025 projects/events**

**Cruinniú na nÓg takes place on Saturday 7th June 2025**

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: 4PM TUESDAY 4TH MARCH 2025**

**Background:**

Ireland is the first, and only, country in the world to have a national day of free creativity for children and young people under 18. **Cruinniú na nÓg** is a flagship initiative of the **Creative Ireland Programme’s Creative Youth** **Plan** to enable the creative potential of children and young people.

**Guiding principles**

* + To empower children and young people to develop their creative expression by providing opportunities for them to participate in creative activities in their local area;
	+ To increase awareness of the benefits of participation in creative activities;
	+ To focus on what children and young people (up to 18) want and need and ensure that they are involved in the creation of the programme;
	+ To include children who may find it more difficult to access creative activities for example children with disabilities, neurodivergence, children from marginalised backgrounds, children from new communities etc.
	+ Majority of events should be activity based, i.e., children and young people ‘doing’, ‘making’, ‘creating’ ‘performing’ etc.
	+ Programme of activities should be diverse covering a range of creative activities and events (beyond just the traditional arts and cultural activities and include for example heritage, tech and STEAM);

**Objective:**

We are inviting submissions for projects/events to provide creative activities for children and young people in County Tipperary. The primary focus of this programme is youth creativity including direct participation in the project/event. This grant scheme can accommodate applications for funding for events on **Cruinniú na nÓg day** or longer-term projects which take place in advance and then **culminate with an event or showcase on the 7th June 2025.**

**Available funding:**

This scheme can accept applications for funding between €500 - €2500. Participation in projects and events should be offered free of charge to young people. Due to resource constraints it may not be possible to allocate funding to all events/projects.

**There is also an option to apply for Late Night Economy funding of €3,000.**

**Eligibility criteria:**

* + - Events **must** take place after 4pm and until a minimum time of 8 pm
		- Events should be aimed at a target audience from 14 to 18 year olds
		- Events should take place on Cruinniú na nÓg day, June 7th 2025

***Consultation process***

Following a recent consultation process with young people in Tipperary the following activities have been identified as what children/young people would like to see programmed:

More haptic, tactile, interactive    experiences   and    hands-­‐on   sensory workshops should be programmed. Participants expressed huge enthusiasm for activities like pottery, clay, modelling workshops, slime making, tie-dye, printing t-shirts and food making.

Workshops in designing more suitable spaces for young people by young people in collaboration with architects, engineers, town planners etc.

Activities that will allow a freer, more generous and playful use of public space such as creating art on the ground of the streets; colouring the windows of empty buildings with bright colours.

 Activities that encourage public space interventions such as workshops that allow young people to create and install (subject to permissions) or a treasure hunt engaging local businesses and resources. Many were interested in opportunities to showcase their talent as well as activities with a sense of purpose such as arts competitions, a tasting competition, photography competition, blind fold drawing competition.

Opportunities and events that encourage children and young people to embrace their energy and imagination such as dance, movement, music and storytelling.

**What costs are eligible:**

Artist/creatives fees and expenses (expenses to be included in overall artist fees)

Materials

Venue hire

Equipment hire relevant to the project

Promotion and Marketing

**To be eligible for funding projects/events must:**

* take place in County Tipperary
* be organised by an individual/community/voluntary group based in Tipperary
* enhance participation in the Cruinniú na nÓg programme and enhance the participation in creative activities for children and young people aged up to 18 years
* be designed on a realistic financial basis and provide good value for money
* Groups/organisations/individuals must be tax compliant.
* Where a grant is allocated to support a particular project, Tipperary County Council will not be responsible for the insurance of that project. Tipperary County Council will require evidence that public liability insurance is in place prior to the commencement of the project.
* Tipperary County Council will not be responsible for any approvals, planning permissions, licences or consents needed for the project; it is the responsibility of the applicant/organiser to ensure these are in place.
* Should your application be successful a copy of your Child Safeguarding Statement/policy will be required.
* Successful applicants may also be asked to submit an event management plan in advance of the project/event.
* An element to be held on Saturday the 7th June 2025

**Items that are excluded from the fund include:**

* Capital projects and infrastructural projects
* Purchase of equipment
* Fuel costs
* Spends on alcoholic beverages, food, fines, legal costs, penalty payments, prizes
* Wages and salaries of organisation staff and ongoing administration costs.
* Charity / fundraising events
* Generally, the cost of items for resale are ineligible

**How to apply:**

Interested applicants should complete the application form and return it marked **Cruinniú na nÓg Open Call** by email to creativeireland@tipperarycoco.ie or alternatively applications can be posted/submitted marked Cruinniú na nÓg, Civic Offices, Limerick Road, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary by 4pm Tuesday 4th March 2025.

An assessment on the applications shall take place after the closing date with notifications issued by mid- March. **Successful applicants should submit finalised plans by Friday 11th April** **2025** to allow for events to be submitted to the Creative Ireland website for publicity purposes to meet Creative Ireland launch deadlines.

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 **APPLICATION FORM**

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| **Part A – Applicant**  |
| Name of applicant |  |
| Address for correspondence  |  |
| Phone No  |  |
| Email address |  |
| Social Media / Website address if relevant |  |

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| **Part B – Project** |
| Project title |  |
| **Project Description** Please give a detailed description of the proposed project. |  |
| Please include here the expected venue of project/event:Dates and times of event/project: |  |
| Who are your target participants/audience, what age group. How will you promote to/reach your target audience? What booking system will apply? The anticipated number of attendees/participants |  |
| Experience of artist/creatives involved in the project/event, please include a CV. |  |

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| **Does your project require any of the following?**  |
| Approvals, permissions, licenses or consents, road closure order? |  Yes No  |
| Do you/your organisation have public liability insurance? Evidence required if funding granted. |  Yes No  |

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| **Part C – Budget for the project** |
|  | **Amount €:** |
| Estimated cost of the project – please provide a breakdown of these costs and include **quotations** |  |
| Funding requested |  |

**Please tick which funding option you are applying for:**

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| Application for event on the 7th June only |  |
| Application for project in advance with showcase on 7th June |  |
| Application for late night economy funding; event from 4pm – 8pm for teenagers aged 14-18, additional funding of up to €3,000 available. |  |

**Relevant dates**

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| Application Deadline | 4pm Tuesday 4th March 2025 |
| Decisions notified | 14th March 2025 |
| **Information for portal**  | 11th April 2025 |
| **Cruinniú na nÓg** | Saturday 7th June 2025 |
| **Drawdown deadline** | 11th July 2025. |

I have read and understood the information and criteria applicable to this grant scheme and by signing below, I declare that:

* The information in this application and all information given in any documentation submitted in support of this application is truthful and accurate
* I understand that, if any of the information is deliberately or unintentionally misleading, the Council may reject or withdraw approval for the application.

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#### Signed on behalf of the applicant/organisation:

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| Name (CAPITALS) |  |
| Signature |  |
| Date |  |

Note in relation to data protection:

“The personal information (data) which you have submitted on your application for this grant including any attachments, (which may include the collection of sensitive personal data) is collected for the purpose of processing the application and any data collected is subject to Tipperary County Council’s privacy statement which can be found at [**https://www.tipperarycoco.ie/governance-and-administration/data-access-request/tipperary-county-council-privacy-statement**](https://www.tipperarycoco.ie/governance-and-administration/data-access-request/tipperary-county-council-privacy-statement)