

BLAST: Bringing Live Arts to Students and Teachers

Arts in Education Residencies

Application Form

This initiative will be supported by the ESCI education support centre network, Teacher Artist Partnership CPD programme, Arts in Junior Cycle, NAPD Creative Engagement Programme and the Arts in Education Portal.

The closing date for applications is:

Friday 19th May 2023 to your Local Full-time Education Support Centre
(see attached Guidelines Document).

General information

School Name	
Roll Number	
School Email	
School Address	
School Telephone Number	
Primary or Post-Primary	
Girls only Y/N	
Boys only Y/N	
Co-Ed Y/N	
DEIS Y/N	

Special School Primary Y/N				
Mainstream SEN Post-Primary Y/N				
Rural Y/N				
All subjects delivered through Irish Y/N				
Principal Name				
Lead Teacher who will partner with the artist for the residency with their class group				
Number of Pupils Involved				
Lead Teacher Mobile				
Lead Teacher Email				
Please indicate your involvement in previous Arts/Creative initiatives i.e. BLAST, TAP, Creative Clusters etc:				
Initiative:	Year:	Name of Artist/Creative:	In-school Residency	Yes/No
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Proposed Timeframe of project :(please tick)	September - December 2023		January - end of April 2024	

Your application

In this section we are asking you to tell us why your school wants to be involved in the initiative, what benefits you hope to gain from participation, your capacity and commitment and the role children and young people will play in your BLAST Residency.

Your application will be assessed against the criteria outlined in the BLAST 2023 guidelines. We advise you to read the guidelines carefully and answer the following questions:

The artist's contact hours (14 contact hours and 6 hours planning / preparation / review): to be decided in consultation with lead teacher and local Education Support Centre (total 20 hours)					
No of weeks:		Days per week:		Contact hours per day:	
Proposed start date of project:					
Proposed completion date of project					

Art Form: Please number in order of preference 1,2,3 etc.		Please see your local Education Support Centre's website to view the register of approved artists or art forms requested	
Art	<input type="text"/>	Please indicate your chosen Artists/ Art Forms 1) <input type="text"/> 2) <input type="text"/> 3) <input type="text"/> Please note: we try our best to pair your school with one of your first three chosen artists / art forms requested however, this is not always possible.	
Craft	<input type="text"/>		
Design	<input type="text"/>		
Music	<input type="text"/>		
Dance	<input type="text"/>		
Drama	<input type="text"/>		
Literature	<input type="text"/>		
Poetry	<input type="text"/>		
Film	<input type="text"/>		
Other	<input type="text"/>		

Proposed Theme of your project

Rationale for application

Please tell us your rationale for applying for a BLAST in-school residency. This should be summarised in bullet point format in no more than 50 words.

Benefits to teaching and learning

Please tell us how you envisage that participation in the BLAST in-school residency will support improvements in teaching and learning, in the development of creativity and in areas of the curriculum (500 words maximum).

Capacity and commitment

Tell us about the capacity and commitment for the school to fully support the BLAST initiative. (500 words maximum).

Children and Young Peoples Voice

Explain plans for ensuring that children and young people play a central role in decision making, developing, implementing and providing feedback to the BLAST in-school residency (500 words maximum).

Conditions of BLAST Arts in Education Residency Initiative 2023:

Successful residencies may only begin when written notification of selection of applications is received from the local full-time Education Support Centre and Garda vetting has been completed.

Education Support Centres will organise the application by individual artists for Garda vetting.

The artist will be funded for a total of 20 hours, which will include 6 hours for planning, development and review in partnership with teachers.

The artist's fee is €1,100 inclusive of travel.

Due to Artists travelling a considerable distance to facilitate the in-school residency, it is advisable to discuss prior to commencing the project on an agreeable visiting time for the contact hours. We advise if an artist needs to make a **return** journey of 1 hour 30 minutes or more for each visit, to consider at least a 2 – 4hour session per school visit.

The numbers of children working with the Artists must be decided in collaboration with Artists. The aim of this initiative is to bring meaningful engagement with creativity to children and young people in schools. Therefore, in large schools' engagement with BLAST is recommended to take place in one or two classes. However, in small schools, it may take place as a whole school initiative.

Please be advised BLAST in-school residency is a collaboration between the artist and teacher therefore, under no circumstances should the following take place:

- Leave the artist unaccompanied in the classroom.
- Presume the artist will work alone with the children or complete the project with the class without the teachers' involvement.

The **school will pay for any materials** associated with the project and also for documentation of the project and any other costs involved including insurance costs. If an artist needs to use their own materials for the project, please be advised the artist is entitled to invoice the school (with the school's prior approval) to cover the cost for these materials.

Schools may only submit **one** application to their own Education Support Centre.

Projects approved under the BLAST 2023 scheme must be completed by the end of the 2023/2024 academic year.

Full conditions can be found on ***BLAST 2023 Arts in Education Residency Initiative***, which is available on your local Education Support Centre's website or gov.ie/blast.

Name of School:	
Signed Principal:	
Signed Lead Teacher:	
Date:	

- ✓ Submissions will be assessed by an independent selection panel established by local Education Support Centres.
- ✓ Projects approved for BLAST 2023 may commence September 2023 and must be completed by the end of April 2024.
- ✓ We welcome applications by email or alternatively by post as follows:

E-mail: **Local Education Support Centre**

EC Contact Name: **Director**

Postal Address:

- ✓ For further information, please contact artsineducation@edcentreralee.ie or 066 719 5000 (ext. 7 or 8)

Applications will open on 23rd March 2023. The closing date is 19th May 2023. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.