



Clár Éire Ildánach  
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## **Seed Grant Scheme 2020/21**

Irish Hospice Foundation with Creative Ireland sets out to inspire and support the work of groups, organisations and individuals who wish to mark in some tangible way their response to the universal realities of dying, death and bereavement especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **About This Scheme**

Irish Hospice Foundation (IHF) is a national charity that addresses dying, death and bereavement in Ireland. Our vision is an Ireland where people facing end of life or bereavement, and those who care for them, are provided with the care and support that they need. Our mission is to work towards the best end-of-life and bereavement care for all.

This year, IHF recognises that Covid-related grief and loss have had a significant effect on all ages, all counties, and all sectors leaving many of us confused and distressed.

Rebuilding confidence and trust in ourselves will be easier if grief is directly addressed.

### **Seed Grant Scheme 2020/21**

Seed Grants are to support groups, organisations and individuals in exploring creative ways to do this. Priority will be given to creative initiatives that take innovative approaches to reflection and remembrance.

Seed Grants aim to help start new local art projects, or to support existing projects gain momentum - this may involve artists, crafts people or coders or may be a group or individual who has a good idea.

Seed grants may be used in a variety of ways, for example (but not limited to):

- To support a youth project or school assisting young people to explore what dying, death and bereavement means to them through the medium of art, photography or story-telling.
- To support an event aimed at increasing awareness and knowledge about 'healthy' ways of coping with loss and grief.

- To support individual(s) and groups seeking practical ways through the arts of providing social, emotional and practical support to those living with a life-threatening illness or experiencing bereavement.
- To create songs, spoken word poems or laments that help your community process loss.

### **About IHF Seed Grants :**

Awards are in the region of €500 - €1,000 per project. We hope to offer between 10 and 15 awards.

Seed Grants are intended to support the work of those involved in the community, therefore a key requirement for the receipt of a grant is that the level of funding **must be matched by the community group, organisation or individual either in cash or in kind.**

### **Application Process**

Apply via either the digital application form on the IHF web site or you can also download and print an application form from the IHF web site and post it to:

Seed Grants

Irish Hospice Foundation  
Morrison Chambers (Floor 4)  
32 Nassau Street  
Dublin 2

### **Key Dates:**

**Friday January 29<sup>th</sup> 2021 5pm** - Closing date for all applications

**Monday February 15<sup>th</sup> 2021** - All applicants will be notified this week

**March 30<sup>th</sup> 2021** - Successful projects must be complete by this date.

### **Process**

All proposals will be reviewed by IHF. Decisions will be made by IHF or their representatives based solely on the details in the application form. All decisions are final. In order to be fair, please note that direct approaches to representatives of IHF on behalf of a project or lobbying will result in automatic exclusion from the process and your application will not be considered.

All recipients of a Seed Grant agree to participate in the evaluation of the IHF's project. Information about successful projects will be made available to promote arts and creative research and in media relating to IHF and The Creative Ireland Programme.

80% of the amount awarded will be made within 30 working days of confirmation of successful application. The balance of the amount awarded will be made on successful production/conclusion of the project.

All recipients of Seed Grants will be required to submit a simple evaluation report using a template provided.

While additional funding is not currently possible IHF are always interested in discussing collaboration on larger projects and outstanding ideas

IHF thanks The Creative Ireland Programme for their support

