

Creative Communities – Creative Ireland

Economic, Community and Cultural Development SPC

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Creative Ireland Programme

2023-2027



Creative Ireland

Connecting people, creativity, and wellbeing

- Creative Youth
- Creative Communities
- Creative Health and Wellbeing
- Creative Climate Action
- Creative Industries



2017-2022

Through Creative Ireland, Galway City Council funded around 200 initiatives, including:

- 'In Flow' by That's Life
- Street Art – Electrical Boxes
- Linte na Farraigne
- Maker's Space – Westside and Ballybane Libraries
- Wild Galway Games Initiative



Breakdown of Creative Ireland funding

Open Call, targeted funding, administrative costs

Number of projects funded in 2023	49
Total grant amount awarded	€350,625
Smallest individual grant	€970
Largest individual grant	€90,000
Average grant size	€6,616
Total grant amount going to artists and creatives	€131,231
Number of creative practitioners engaged	194
Total audience	32,013
Average audience per project	667

Anticipated funding 2024

Core funding

Creative Communities

€177,480

Cruinniú na nÓg

€30,000

Additional funding

Eastside Consultation & Engagement

€14,000

The Air We Share

€125,000

Other additional funding strands

TBC

Total anticipated funding

€346,480

Cruinniú na nÓg

A day of free creativity for
children and young people



Creative Communities

Enabling people to work together to transform their communities, their lives and their environment through creativity



Creative Communities

Implementing Culture & Creativity Strategy 2023-2027 through:

- Open Call
- Targeted funding
- Additional funding calls
- Culture & Creativity Team



Buaile Bó Ballyloughane

Innovative biodiversity pilot

- Creatively engaging schools and community groups through an Ambassador Programme to take ownership of this innovative biodiversity project, which will bring Dexter cows to graze the headland east of Ballyloughane Beach over the winter and spring months.
- Ambassadors help to create signage, posters and communication materials, as well as a short film about the project. These creative responses will also raise wider awareness of sustainable urban agriculture practices, and the importance of nature-based solutions as part of climate adaptation goals.



Eastside Consultation and Development

Supporting range of participatory initiatives to build long-term creative capacity and activity

- Community consultation
- Voice of the child consultation
- Ballybane Arts Festival
- Doughiska 'Breaking Bread' community filmmaking



The Air We Share

Citizen science and art project in Westside

- The Air We Share makes the issue of air pollution tangible and real through citizen science and creative practices relating to the senses of sound, touch, and sight. Residents will collect, analyse, interpret, and present air quality data in the decarbonising zone of Westside, working with interdisciplinary artists in residence to co-create artistic outcomes that increase our understanding of climate change, and prompt behavioural change.



THE AIR
WE SHARE

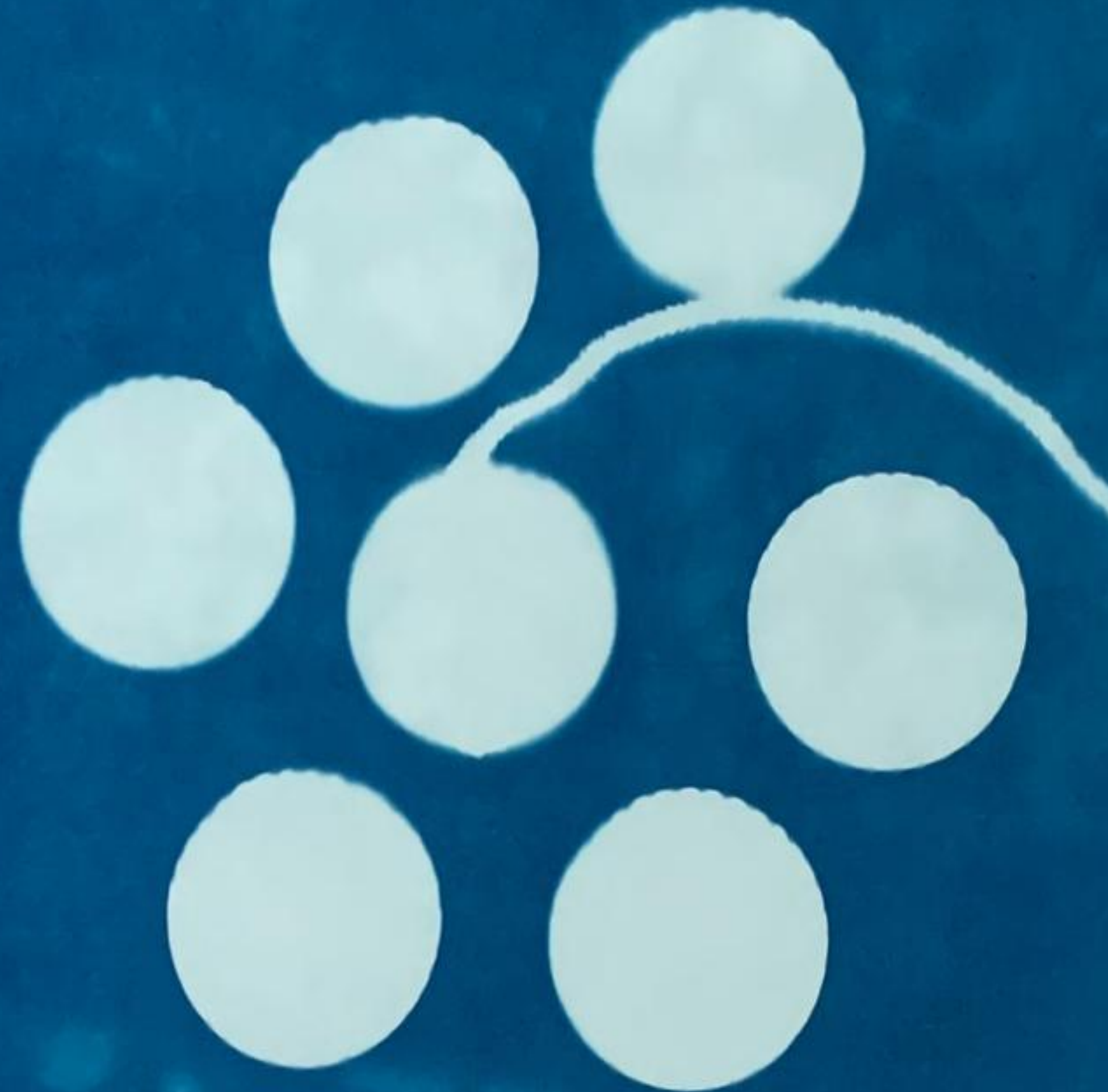
Creative
Climate Action



Culture & Creativity Team

Facilitating cross-functional collaboration and working

- Drive cross-collaborative actions
- Advocate for creativity, design and art, in urban planning, architecture, parks & rec
- Advocate for creative approaches to community engagement
- Gain expertise at early stages of project development from other Departments, e.g. planning, housing, heritage, economic dev.
- Experiment; try new projects and new ways of working



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Making an impact



Thank you

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