



Artist in Residence 2025

RECRUITMENT PACK

WHO WE ARE



Promotional image from our recent Community Engagement production featuring members of our community orchestra and choir. Credit Mark Fearon Photography

Hawk's Well Theatre recently celebrated its 42nd year opening in January 1982. It was created by the people, for the people, as a place to play, perform, create and share living stories. This 340 seat venue is a vibrant, inspiring regional theatre whose mission seeks to provide art for all.

Hawk's Well is one of the busiest theatres in the country serving 55,000 people in 2023 alone. The spirit of arts participation that was the original impetus for building a theatre in Sligo is still very much alive today at Hawk's Well.

A flagship venue in the county and region, Hawk's Well punches above its weight in terms of output, having inspired and nurtured many professional artists and its community at large for decades. Both a receiving and producing house, management strive to make a real difference to the community and to those pursuing careers in the arts within that community in particular.

As a Cultural Lighthouse we serve as a beacon, a road home, for artists from all disciplines locally, nationally and internationally. We strive to interact with a shared island context leading to human connection, transformation and the celebration of difference.

You find us in an era of renewal built upon a nationally recognised legacy. During this evolution we are looking to work with artists who have a particular interest in connecting communities and helping us further our mission to make art accessible for all



ARTIST IN RESIDENCE 2025

Hawk's Well Theatre with the support of the Arts Council of Ireland is proud to offer a one year employment contract for an artist residency in 2025. This residency is intended to provide an opportunity for an artist to research and develop their work practice but also to work with a thriving producing house to enhance its offering to the people of Sligo and beyond.

We recognise the difficulties artists in Ireland face with regards to finances, especially in these complicated economic times. With this residency we are committed to offering an annual salary to artists from all backgrounds based in the Northwest of Ireland. Your residency with Hawk's Well Theatre is an opportunity for you to hone your craft, grow your skills in your chosen artform, and share your creativity with people across the country.

As part of your residency you would also take an active educational role in our programme inspiring artists of all ages locally to explore their own journey as an artist. We would particularly welcome applications from artists who are able to offer educational and participatory opportunities for disadvantaged or marginalised communities, as well as artists who work with issues related to climate and sustainability.

The artist's residence at Hawk's Well is funded in terms of an annual salary, administrative support and auditorium use with technical support. As an employee of the organisation you will also benefit from access to different areas of peer expertise within the team such as Marketing, Fundraising, Production and Direction.

Hawk's Well Theatre is committed to championing local artists, and our chosen Artist in Residence would be no exception. We also therefore ask in return that our Artist in Residence is a champion and representative for Hawk's Well Theatre, helping to ensure that we can continue to serve as many people as possible and make art accessible to everyone.

TO APPLY

Please fill out this [Google form](#). Proposals should include a CV and a letter outlining a statement of your practice and a full proposal of objective's and programme of work for the year. Please also submit digital examples of recent practice.

Send your submission to admin@hawkswell.ie

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Proposals will be assessed internally and shortlisted. Successful candidates will be invited for interview.

DEADLINE

DECEMBER 1ST 12PM.

The Hawks Well is an equal opportunity employer. We will ensure that no one receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of colour, race, religious belief, political opinion, sex, marital status, disability, age, sexual orientation, family circumstance, pregnancy or maternity leave, gender, gender reassignment or ethnic or national origin. We welcome applications from all backgrounds.

JOB TITLE: ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

BASE: HAWKSWELL THEATRE (WITH FLEXIBLE HYBRID WORKING)

REPORTING INTO: DIRECTOR

HOURS: 20 HOURS per week

SALARY: €25K incl PRSI. and pension contributions.