

## South Dublin County Council Arts Office – programme updates

### The Night Belongs to Us

The Night Belongs to Us is a performance events programme for young musicians and DJs aged between 14 – 18. It has returned in 2025 with monthly events in The Civic Theatre, Áras Chrónáin, and Griffeen Youth Centre in Lucan. As of 15<sup>th</sup> April, 238 young people have attended 6 events featuring 47 performers, all aged between 14 and 18. The Night Belongs To Us is funded by South Dublin County Council Arts Office.



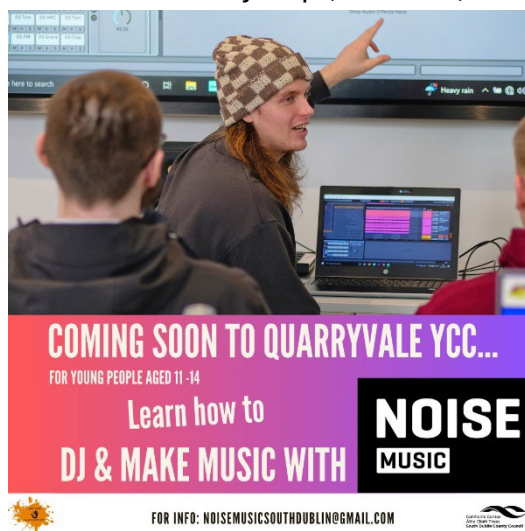
**NOISE Music** runs free DJing, songwriting, music production, and performance programmes for young people aged from 11 to 18 around South Dublin County.



NOISE MUSIC have been working in partnership with Crosscare Lucan Youth Service for several years in the Griffeen Youth Centre in Lucan and are currently running weekly workshops in the centre, and monthly events as part of The Night Belongs To Us.

NOISE Music will be running a 6-week programme in Balgaddy Child and Family Centre in partnership with South Dublin County Partnership. It begins on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April and runs until the end of May. They will be working with two groups of children and young people from Balgaddy aged 11 – 12 and 13 – 18.

NOISE Music's programme in Quarryvale CYC, which is part of a new Youth Drop in call The Hangout Hub that is being supported by SDCC Community Dept, DDLETB, Crosscare Ronanstown Youth Service, and a Creative Ireland South Dublin dance project, has been well attended with 13 members aged from 10 - 13 now participating in weekly songwriting, performance, and DJing workshops. The group will be performing at an event on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April as part of QCYC's Easter Bunny family event.



### **NOISE Music – Creative Ireland Project Award**

NOISE Music received funding from the Creative Ireland Project Award for a collaborative project in the Adamstown area. This project is a series of site-specific performances by young artists that will be filmed and exhibited in Adamstown Youth and Community Centre and on screens in public spaces throughout South Dublin County. The performances will be music, dance, and spoken word pieces – created by young people from Adamstown in collaboration with a team of experienced artist/facilitators led by NOISE Music and Go Dance for Change.

The young performers will also work with an emerging design company Timing GNSL, who are from Adamstown and are active as social entrepreneurs in the community, to create a title and visual identity for the project that will be incorporated into costumes and graphics that will be used in a social media campaign to raise awareness and build an audience for the project.

The project recently launched a call for participants and is accepting applications via <https://submit.link/3xV>. The deadline for applications is Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Bursaries and Awards**

### **ARTS OFFICE – AVAILABLE ARTS GRANTS**

- *Community Arts Award*: Amateur, Voluntary and Community Arts organisations are invited to submit applications to be considered for grants of up to €3000. The

scheme will primarily grant aid groups based and performing in the County but also performing at events outside the County. Groups performing in, but not based, in the County will also be eligible to apply for support under the Scheme. The activity that can be funded includes training, event subsidy, professional support, materials, project delivery and presentation. Further details on [sdcc.ie](http://sdcc.ie) or contact [cbaker@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:cbaker@sdublincoco.ie) for further information.

## **Creative Ireland South Dublin Programme**

*Creative Ireland Artist in Collaborative Practice Project Award is open.*

We are inviting proposals from artists/creative practitioners for the **Individual Artist in Collaborative Practice Award 2024**. This initiative seeks to support creatives to develop collaborative practices and engage with communities in co-creating an artwork around the theme of **Leaving it Better: *Build partnerships and collaborations with individuals and organisations who value sustainability, legacy, and the enactment of positive community development in their work***

There are two strands to the Award:

- Project Award up to €10,000
- Development Award up to €5000

We are looking for proposals that address the following aims:

- Clear developmental aspect for the artist/creative practice
- Co-creation of a project/ artwork with a community/group
- Innovative and unique project where the culture and creative sectors engage with the public under the themes of sustainability and legacy.

For full award terms and conditions please see the arts office page of the council website

## **Cruinniú na nÓg 2025:**

Cruinniú na nÓg, the National Day of Children's Creativity will take place in Lucan House on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025 from 12 noon. Ruaille Buaille children's Music village, South Dublin mobile libraries and This Is Me Neurodiversity will offer a range of free creative activities, including music, dance, games and more for all ages throughout the day.

