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# SDCC Arts Office May ACM Report

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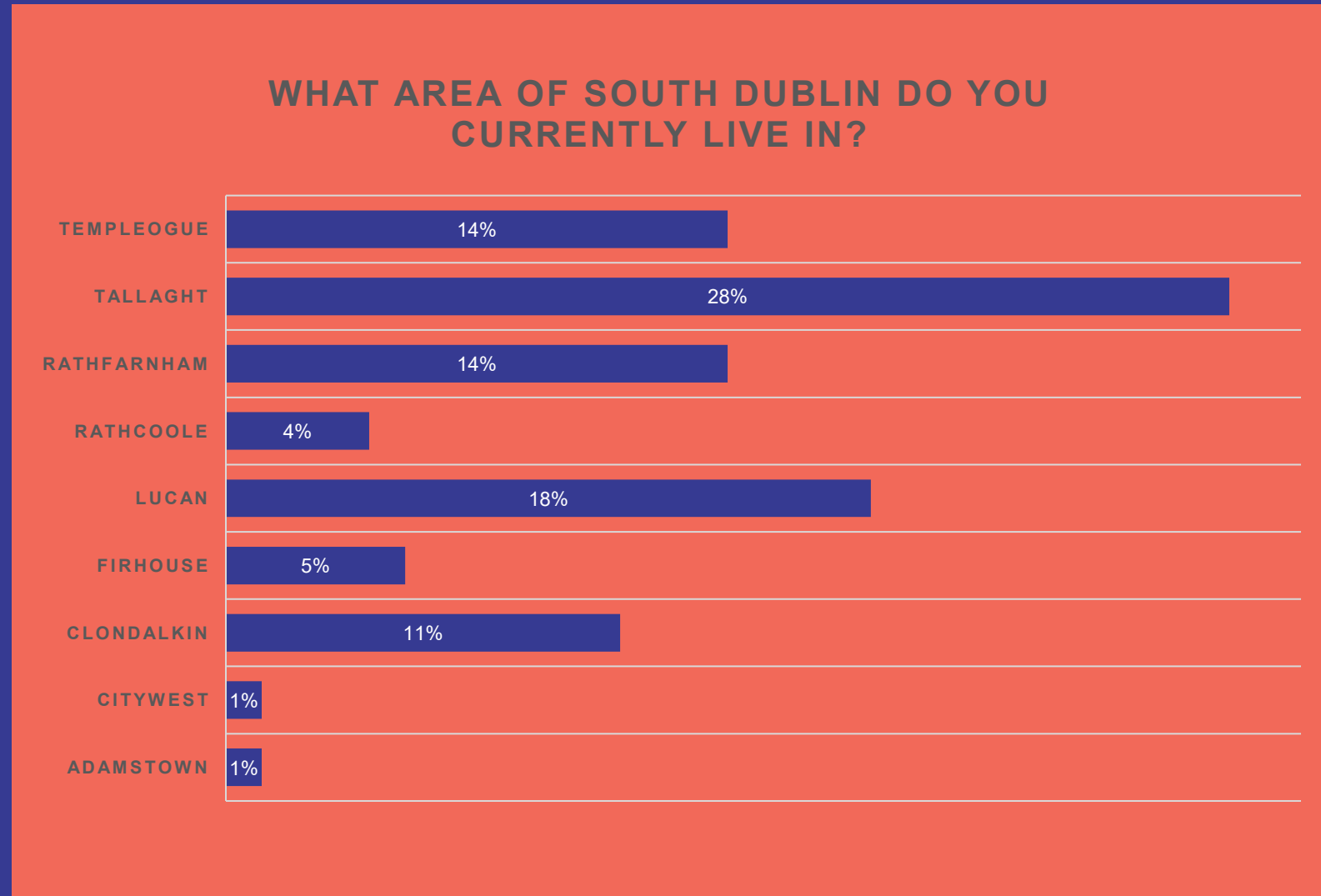
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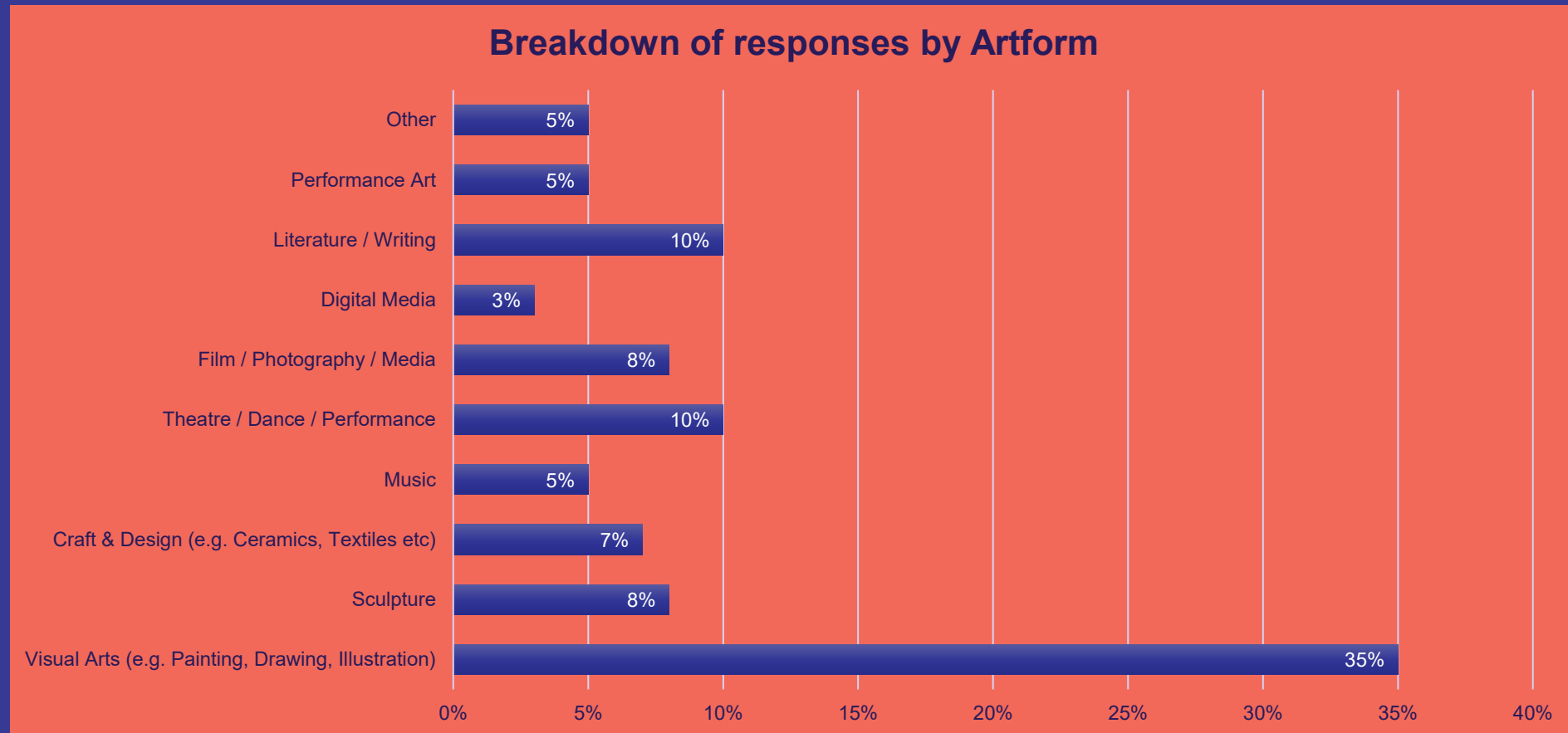
# Artist Workspace & Practical Needs Survey 2026

The Arts Office recently ran a survey to understand the practical needs of artist requirements, establish what resources are currently available, and what gaps exist in these areas within South Dublin.

72 responses were received from artists living in South Dublin from the following areas:



# Artist Workspace & Practical Needs Survey 2026



\*Other artforms listed included Socially-engaged art practice, Resin Art, Mixed Media, Fiber Art, Netsuke, Comedy, Community Engagement, Installation, and Education & Workshops

# Artist Workspace & Practical Needs Survey 2026

This survey highlights the need for the development of more affordable and accessible workspaces for artists in South Dublin.

Some key statistics from the survey regarding workspaces include:

- **63% of respondents** stated that they currently undertake their arts practice from home
- **49% of respondents** stated they are either somewhat or very dissatisfied with the current workspace
- **89% of respondents** said that it was either very important or somewhat important that their workspace allows for public engagement. This included open studios, exhibition, performance and workshop spaces, and space for collaboration with other artists
- **61% of respondents** stated their ideal workspace would be between 1km and 5km from home
- **56% of respondents** said that it was very important to have flexibility in their workspace including out of hours access, adaptable spaces, and short/long-term leases
- **Secure storage** was highlighted as the most essential element of their workspace (**28% of respondents**)





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# Thank you