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PER CENT FOR ART COMMISSION St. Mary's Boys' National School, Maynooth, Co. Kildare

St. Mary's Boys' National School is located in the heart of Maynooth town, Co. Kildare. It is an all-boys primary school catering for approximately 600 pupils.

The mission of St. Mary's BNS is to educate our pupils to their fullest potential, in an environment where Christian values are fostered and where they are happy, safe, respect themselves and others and where each child feels equal.

We achieve this for our pupils by:

- encouraging them to develop their talents and self-confidence while retaining their individuality by means of the curriculum and extra-curricular activities.
- providing support for them at all times.
- making them conscious and proud of our Christian values and Irish heritage
- making them aware that we are living in a changing world and helping them to respect other cultures and religious beliefs.
- developing their social and communication skills.
- developing their civic spirit through honesty and openness and by being made aware of the needs of others.
- maintaining a healthy respect for the environment.

Additional information can be viewed on the school's website, <http://www.maynoothbns.ie/>, or on the school's Twitter feed (@maynoothbns).

The school is engaged in a capital building project funded by the Department of Education. The construction of a new three-storey, 24 classroom school building and special needs unit is underway on the campus. The project is due for completion 8th July 2022.

As part of the capital building project, Per Cent for Art funding of € 49,000 has been secured.

St. Mary's BNS wishes to engage an artist, to work with the school community, on a commission to mark this milestone in the development of the school. Expressions of interests from artists are now invited.

The commission may include Artists in Residence programmes, commissioning of artwork (temporary and permanent) across art forms and included digital media, and may include collaborative work practice. Applications that consider the physical school environment (the buildings and grounds, indoor and outdoor) as well as applications that directly engage the school community are welcome. It is expected that the artist will have previous experience of working in educational settings.

STAGE 1

Artists in all art form disciplines and practice are invited to submit a CV, an expression of interest and at least 3 samples of work that they consider relevant to working in a school environment.

*Specific ideas for this commission are not required at the Stage. Site visits are not required and will not be facilitated at this time,

STAGE 2

A selection panel will shortlist a number of artists to develop detailed proposals. Depending on the nature of the proposal, artists may be required to attend a site visit or attend for interview. 4-5 artists who are shortlisted for Stage 2 will receive an artist's fee of €300 to prepare a submission.

Short listing for Stage 2 will take place before the end of the academic year 2021 and artists who have been shortlisted to Stage 2 will be notified by the end of June. Submissions for Stage 2 must be returned by 21st August 2021.

BUDGET

The budget for the commission is €49,000 to include all costs associated with the commission.

CLOSING DATE STAGE 1

Artists should submit their CV, expression of interest and samples of work by 12 noon on 11th June 2021.

Short listing for Stage 2 will take place before the end of the academic year 2021 and artists who have been shortlisted to Stage 2 will be notified by the end of June. Submissions for Stage 2 must be returned by 21st August 2021.

SELECTION PANEL

The selection panel will consist of a member of school staff and a representative of Board of Management, a parent representative, as well as an independent artist and County Arts Officer. Depending on the nature of the commission, other specialists may be invited to sit on the selection panel.

STAGE 1 SUBMISSION

Artists should include a cover letter/ expression of interest, CV and at least 3 samples of work, which should be clearly labelled and submitted as one document in PDF format. The expression of interest should outline the artists experience and vision of working in a school environment. Samples of work may include photographs, publications, film, audio work, which should be clearly labelled.

The material submitted by the artists will be used only for the purposes of selecting an artist for this Per Cent for Art commission and will only be retained for 1 year only.

SUBMISSIONS TO STAGE 1

Email submissions to percentforart@maynoothbns.ie

Closing date is strictly 12 noon, Friday 11th June 2021.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN

Artists who are invited to prepare proposals for Stage 2 will be expected to give a detailed budget breakdown.

INSURANCE

The artist who is selected at Stage 2 must have Employer's and Public Liability insurances in place before commencing work.

TAX

The artist will be responsible for their own tax affairs. A tax clearance certificate will be required.

CHILD PROTECTION

The artist who is selected at Stage 2 will be referred for Garda Vetting before commencing work.

ENQUIRIES

All queries relating to the Per Cent for Art commission should be directed to Lucina Russell, Arts Officer, Tel: 045-448328; Mob: 0872399212; Email lrussell@kildarecoco.ie