

Technical Development Residency (TDR)

Application Guidelines

Technical Development Residencies are awarded by the Sculpture Centre to artists who wish to focus specifically on exploring a technical or material process within the ten separate technical areas of the Centre.

Specifically the award supports artists wishing to explore new directions in their practice through experimental approaches to different materials, processes, and ideas using the technical facilities of the Centre. Significantly the Award is offered to artist without the pressure of them having to produce an exhibition, or specific project outcome during or at the end of the period. However, artists are requested to provide a short report of work developed during the residency period. The aims of the TDR residency are to

- Enhance and advance an artist's creative engagement with a range of specified materials techniques and ideas chosen by the applicant

Residency Supports

The residency period is for 4 weeks and includes an artist's stipend of €2,500 and in addition comes with residential accommodation including a private and heated studio, broadband internet; the use of specified technical facilities and basic energy use. Energy for the kilns, foundry, forge or intensive energy use is metered and charged additionally.

General technical support (in-house staff) for practice-based work is provided during the period of the residency (approx.12 hrs total / 3 hrs per week) additional hours to this is charged at 20 per hour.

In addition, artists will have an allocation of €720 per residency for the buy in of 'Direct Artistic Technical Support' at either standard or specialist/advanced levels. (see Artists technical Support Framework <https://www.leitrimsculpturecentre.ie/facilities/technical-support>)

