

Panel Meeting

Tuesday 7 February 2023 from 10.30 am via Zoom

MINUTES

T3-202223-01 Present

Arthur Cormack (AC), Catriona Hawksworth (CH), David Francis (DF), Fiona Campbell (FC), Martin Hadden (MH), Joanne Urwin (JU), Iliyana Nedkova (IN) and Luke Slater (LS).

Iliyana Nedkova is the new Curator at the Traditional Dance Forum of Scotland and was welcomed to her first meeting as a panel member.

T3-202223-02 Apologies

Brian Ó hEadhra sent apologies and advised he is standing down from the panel due to other work commitments. AC thanked Brian for his input over a number of years.

T3-202223-03 Minutes from previous panel meeting

Minutes from the panel meeting held on 1 November 2022 were approved as a true record of the meeting.

T3-202223-04 Assessment of applications and agreement on grants

AC confirmed there was £13,883 available to allocate in this final round for 2022-23.

27 applications had been received for this funding round with requests totalling £25,561 towards projects with a value of £81,115.

Prior to the meeting the panel members had the opportunity to score the applications based on various criteria and average scores had been provided to the panel as a guide in their deliberations. Where interests were declared, those are noted below in the table of decisions and those involved took no part in the decision-making relating to the relevant grants.

Following careful consideration and discussion, the following grants were agreed:

Applicant Name	Project Summary	Decision	Interest
Victoria McNulty	Three high quality, participatory story circles at The GalGael Trust in Glasgow	£1,000.00	JU

Sangstream Folk Choir	A concert in Midlothian focussed on mining	£790.00	DF, MH, FC
Jan Bee Brown	R & D project to set up 'Icy Acres' - a maritime song & storytelling programme	£650.00	JU
Col Gordon	4 days' development for piping project	£920.00	
Evanton Community Wood	4 Friday sessions producing a story and music performance inspired by Woodland Story Blanket	£940.00	
Taigh Dhonnchaidh	Community Mòd Club supporting young people to participate in the local and national mòds	£1,000.00	AC
Fuinn na Fidhle	4 performance tour of the Highlands and Islands in May 2023	£1,000.00	
Fèis na h-Òige	Translation into Gaelic, and arrangement of the song, 'Shepherds of the Etive' + Workshop	£750.00	AC
Lindsey Gibb	Research and performance on stories about witches	£600.00	JU
Shona Cowie	Support toward a range of story-led, guided walks in the land surrounding Loch Goil	£1,000.00	JU
Simon Thoumire	Rehearsal and research for creating new music featuring pipes and concertina	£1,000.00	DF
Jenni Wren	Support training for teaching Scottish Step Dance + provision of opportunities for communities	£1,000.00	JU
Lynsey Gilmour	Run a series of 'In Conversation...' events with artists involved in performing or producing the traditional arts in Gaelic	£1,000.00	
Edinburgh International Harp Festival	Offer a free masterclass with internationally renowned, Ireland based harper Michael Rooney	£450.00	DF
		£12,100.00	

The allocation of those grants left £1,783 available to roll over to a future round of Tasgadh.

T3-202223-05 AOCB

It was hoped Tasgadh would continue in 2023-24 but there had been no confirmation, as yet, from Creative Scotland.

AC asked members if they would be willing to continue on the panel and all agreed.

It was agreed the next panel meeting would be scheduled once Tasgadh funding was confirmed and that a replacement for Brian Ó hEadhra would be discussed.