



Cherrywood Educate Together National School (CETNS) wishes to commission a site specific public artwork/s under the “Per Cent for Art Scheme”, funded by the Department of Education and Science.

Deadline 12 noon Monday 10th October, 2022

Applications will only be accepted via the [Application form](#)

1. About Us

Cherrywood Educate Together National School was opened in September 2020 with one small Junior Infants class. We operate under the core values of Educate Together and are committed to providing a child centred, co-educational, equality based and democratic education to all of the children who attend this school. Our teachers bring the curriculum to life by encouraging children to think, question and engage both with their teacher and with each other.

The first term of 2022 will see our community expand and we will move into our new school building. It is an exciting time for the whole school community and we welcome the engagement of an artist to help us explore, connect to and celebrate our new school space. For more information about our school and Educate Together see cherrywoodetns.ie

2. An Artwork for Cherrywood Educate Together National School

As part of the development of our new school, we are commissioning an artwork under the Per cent for Art Scheme funded by the Department of Education and Science. When envisioning an artwork for our school, the following things are important to us:

- The place in which our school is located. The **history and ecology** of this place.
- The connection between how we will use the **internal and external spaces here**.
- The diverse community that makes up our school and how we **celebrate our connections to each other**.
- Our **Educate Together values** of child-centred, co-educational, equality based, democratic learning.
- A substantial **creative process** that will involve the children who attend this school in the development of an artwork.

- An **ambitious approach** that could **combine art forms**, come from **solo practice** or bring **more than one artistic practice** to the project.
- An imaginative and engaging artwork that is **playful, interactive** and may have **multisensory elements**.
- An artwork that encourages **curiosity and creativity** for both our current and future school community.

3. Commissioning Process

The selection process will take the form of a two stage open competition. It is open to all interested professional artists at any stage of their career or experience. Selection will be based on the information supplied, establishing the competence of the artist to carry out the commission. International submissions are welcome. No designs or detailed proposals are required in Stage 1.

We use the term *artist* to include artist(s)/ collective(s)/groups/collaborators, as the case may be, in this briefing document.

3.1 Stage 1

Artists are invited to express their interest in being considered for this project at the first stage of this commission. Please submit:

1. Application Form
2. Brief overview of your relevant experience and approach to the project (up to and no more than 500 words or hyperlink to 1-minute video or audio recording)
3. Images /hyperlinks of relevant previous work including date of projects (no more than 5 examples)
4. Your CV

5. Confirmation that if successful the artist is ready to submit current Tax Clearance Certificate and provide insurances. This confirmation is mandatory.

Items 2, 3 and 4 should be combined into a single PDF file of no more than 10MB and submitted via the application form. Unfortunately, we cannot support technical or upload issues beyond 10am on the closing date.

The closing date for receipt of Stage 1 completed application form together with supporting documentation and material is 12 noon Monday 10th October, 2022 via [the application form](#).

3.2 Stage 2

From the Stage 1 applications, a shortlist of artists (maximum number 5) will be chosen by a selection panel. A fee of €500.00 will be paid to shortlisted artists to develop a detailed submission including a detailed proposal for a participatory process with the school community and proposed artwork, budget and timeline for the project. Artists who have been shortlisted for stage 2 will be notified by Friday 21st October 2022.

4. Detailed Brief

A detailed brief will be supplied to selected artists at Stage 2 of the commission process.

5. Budget

The total budget for the project is €55,000.00 inclusive of VAT, and all other costs associated with the project including artist's fee(s), participatory process with school community, materials, fabrication, supply

and installation of artwork(s), travel, insurance, mediation signage, and any other costs incurred in the project process and production of the artwork(s). The artist will be responsible for meeting all of these costs from the total budget allocated.

6. Project Delivery Timeline

It is anticipated that the project would commence in early 2023 and be completed by December 2023. The artist should demonstrate their ability to fulfil the project in this timeframe. The final timeline will be agreed with the commissioned artist at contract stage.

7. Site Location

Cherrywood Educate Together National School is located at Tully Park, Cherrywood, Dublin 18, D18 Y48H. Shortlisted artists will be invited to a site visit in advance of the stage 2 deadline. Should site visits not be possible due to Public Health measures, a virtual site visit will be facilitated. Site Drawings will also be made available to shortlisted artists as part of the stage 2 brief.

8. Working Space On-Site

It is important to us that the successful artist commit to a substantial amount of time spent collaboratively with the school community. Studio space for the project will be provided onsite to support this. Further information will be provided as part of the stage 2 artist's brief.

9. Selection Process

A Selection Panel will review both stage 1 and stage 2 applications. It will consist of 5 members of the Cherrywood ETNS Per Cent for Art Committee and 1 Professional Artist/Arts Manager and will be chaired by the Project Curator. The decisions of the panel are final. The panel has the right to clarify any issue which may arise in the course of selection.

10. Garda Vetting

Please note that the successful applicant will be subject to Garda vetting procedures.

11. Queries

Potential applicants can make enquiries regarding the commission to percentforart@cherrywoodetns.ie. All queries should be made via email by Monday 26th September 2022.

The closing date for all required documentation for Stage 1 Applications is Monday 10th October 2022 at 12 noon.

Application form [can be found here](#)