

# Backwater Artists Group



## Partnership Proposal 2026



**BACKWATER ARTISTS GROUP IS ONE OF IRELAND'S LEADING ART ORGANISATIONS. LOCATED ON WANDESFORD QUAY, IN THE HEART OF CORK CITY, WE ARE A THRIVING VISUAL ARTS COMMUNITY OF 110+ VISUAL ARTISTS.**

We provide vitally needed studios spaces and access to facilities, including a darkroom and an exhibition space, for professional visual artists, based in Cork city and its environs.

We ensure that artists have access to a high level of professional development opportunities, support, exhibition opportunities, guidance and advice.

We support the next generation of artists by awarding bursary, mentorship and exhibition opportunities, to recent graduates.

We share what we do with large and diverse audiences, across the city and beyond, through our Exhibition & Engagement Programme.

We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to develop an enthusiasm, understanding and appreciation for the arts. We consider all people without bias, and we embrace inclusivity, equality, diversity and fairness in all areas of our practice.

Backwater Artists Group is managed by 1 full-time and 3 part-time staff members.

Backwater Artists Group is kindly supported by The Arts Council and Cork City Council, corporate sponsors and private donations.

Backwater Artists Group is a registered charity and a Company Limited By Guarantee, which is governed by a Board of Directors. We have adopted The Charities Governance Code and we are fully compliant with the code.



**IMAGE MIDDLE LEFT** Ailbhe Ní Bhriain / Studio View / 2022 / Photography by Roland Paschoff

**IMAGE TOP LEFT** In Conversation Talk / Curator Miguel and artist Ciara Rodgers / 2022 / Photography by Jed Niezgoda

**IMAGE TOP RIGHT** Miniature Painting Workshop / Amna Walayat / 2022 / Supported by The Arts Council Faoin Spéir Programme

**IMAGE BOTTOM RIGHT** Exhibition / In My Day / Helen Cantwell / Studio 12 / 2023 / Photography by Jed Niezgoda



**BY SUPPORTING US AND BECOMING A CORPORATE SUPPORTER, YOU WILL HAVE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT YOUR CREATIVE COMMUNITY AND THE DYNAMIC CULTURAL LIFE OF CORK CITY.**



**IMAGE TOP LEFT** Orla O'Byrne / Studio View/ 2022 / Photography by Jed Niezgoda

**IMAGE TOP RIGHT** Visual Archive Project Residency Talk / Peter Nash / 2025

**IMAGE BOTTOM LEFT** Cork Circus Factory Family Day / 2022 / Photography by Jed Niezgoda / Supported by The Arts Council Faoin Spéir Programme

## PATRON BENEFITS

	Silver	Gold	Platinum
Logo will feature on our patron wall on the website (12 months)	✓	✓	✓
Logo on all promotional material for Backwater Artists Network	✓	✓	✓
Access to exclusive lunchtime exhibition talk	✓	✓	✓
Special mention of the sponsor in a dedicated social media post	✓	✓	✓
Exclusive Annual meeting of artists event	✓	✓	✓
Exclusive Preview Evening to annual Backwater members exhibition	✓	✓	✓
Partner's logo will feature on all exhibition literature	○	✓	✓
Partner's logo will feature on all exhibition mailouts & exhibition webpages	○	✓	✓
Includes One Full Exhibition Sponsorship for one artist	○	✓	✓
Logo on our exhibition mailouts and on our website	○	✓	✓
Formal Announcement of partnership in national newspaper	○	○	✓
Exclusive use of our courtyard for your summer BBQ	○	○	✓
Private tour of the studio spaces	○	○	✓
Drawing/ painting class for up to 20 attendees	○	○	✓
Plaque on entrance wall denoting sponsor's name/ logo (12 months)	○	○	✓
Mention/ Tag of sponsoring party on all social media posts (12 months)	○	○	✓

### Prices

€1,000 €5,000 €10,000

### Alternative Options

Exclusive Exhibition Sponsor

**Prices**

**€1,000**

Early Career Programme Sponsor

**€2,000**

Commission an artist to create artwork for your corporate workspace

**Upon Request**



Caution  
Roadworks  
From 1st June 2021  
MON-SAT 7am - 7pm  
SUN 9am - 10.30am  
OVERSIGHTED

KNIGHT  
GUARD

LAVIT GALLERY  
ENTRANCE

IMAGE Backwater Artists Group /  
Wandesford Quay / 2021 / Photography by  
Jed Niezgoda

# Thank you for your consideration

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