



Abbey Road Artists' Studios, Athlone

STUDIOS RESIDENCY APPLICATION

The Abbey Road Artists' Studios is a resource for professional artists of all disciplines set in the heart of Athlone Town. It comprises four individual studio spaces available for both long and short term letting.

The non-residential studios are fully equipped with power, water, and Wi-Fi. In addition to the individual studios there is a large communal space suitable for group workshops and facilitations which can be allocated on a case by case basis.

The studios are intrinsically linked to the sister venue Luan Gallery, which presents retail opportunities for studio residents as well display opportunities.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

In order to apply for a studio space at Abbey Road Artists' Studios, artists are asked to submit the following:

- 1) Cover letter to include:
 - Details of proposed use of studio space
 - Length of time for which studio is sought, e.g. 6 months, 12 months
- 2) Current artist CV to include:
 - Details of artist's training
 - Details of past and upcoming exhibitions
 - Details of collection inclusion and publication
- 3) Current Artist's Statement, outlining discipline and defining intention of work
(max 200 words)
- 4) A stamped self-addressed envelope for the return of hard copy documentation. Documentation will not be returned unless this is included.
- 5) Documentation of artist's work

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- Up to 8 still images – slides, photographs, laser prints, JPEG attachments
- CD Rom/DVD – film footage should not exceed 10 minutes

N.B. Applicants must not submit original work/master copies.

Completed applications can either be posted to the below address or sent in via email with the words:
Abbey Road Artists' Studios Individual Studio Application in the subject field

ARTIST SELECTION

All applications will be placed before a selection panel which will make recommendations on the allocation of studios to artists. Final approval of allocations rests with Athlone Arts & Tourism Ltd.

The panel relies solely on the information supplied in the applications received. The panel reserves the right to shortlist artists on the basis of applications received and to call artists for interview if deemed necessary. The panel reserves the right to have a shortlist of artists in place should studios become available at short notice.

Canvassing will disqualify.

LETTINGS

It is the policy of Athlone Arts and Tourism Ltd to let the individual studios for a minimum of 3 months and a maximum of 12 months.

It is at the discretion of Athlone Arts and Tourism Ltd whether:

- an artist will be offered a renewal of their letting
- the terms of the renewal including the length of the letting remain the same

RATES

Duration of Residency Rates

- 1 – 3 months €145 per month
- 4 – 6 months €125 per month

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- 7 – 12 months €100 per month

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

- Each artist will be issued with a legal license agreement for their studio at the complex.
- Each artist will be required to pay agreed rent on a monthly basis by standing order for the studio inclusive of heat, light, and internet access. Manual monthly payments cannot be facilitated.
- A deposit will be required once a studio is awarded. Deposits shall be repaid to the artist once the studio has been vacated and is deemed to be left in good working order by Athlone Arts & Tourism Ltd.
- All artists agree to be bound by the operational rules and terms and conditions of the Abbey Road Artists' Studios, which shall be provided upon offer of residency.
- The Company reserves the right to terminate a rental for failure to use the premises for the manner in which it is intended.
- The Company reserves the right to evict residents if rents are not paid or terms and conditions of rental are not met.

WORKSHOP FACILITATION SPACE

The space upstairs at Abbey Road will be let to individuals and groups on an ad hoc basis through a managed booking system. The upstairs studio space is intended for use by community groups and is not available for commercial purposes.

If a studio resident wishes to use this space to work with a community group or if they wish to use this space to facilitate an exhibition, meeting or to work from here – the company must be notified in advance and an allocated time slot must be agreed upon with AA&T studio liaison.

APPLICATIONS

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Katriona Gilliespie, Athlone Arts and Tourism Ltd, Luan Gallery, Grace Road, Athlone

Or emailed to:

info@luangallery.ie

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact Katriona, Tues – Friday between the hours of 09.30 and 13.30 on 0906442154 or info@luangallery.ie

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