

December 2023

## MICRO GRANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL FOLK ARTISTS

## Thanks to a generous donation from Conrad and Jennifer Bailey we are delighted to announce a fourth year of the Micro Grants Programme for Professional Folk Artists who live and work in England.

Six grants of £500 each are being offered to folk artists to support anything that will help their professional career development. This could be:

- Time to develop creative projects
- Support for the production of new albums
- Instrument purchase
- Technical equipment purchase (eg portable sound equipment)
- Other personal training and development activities (including courses)

This list is not exhaustive.

We do not fund:

- Under graduate and post graduate university courses (or equivalent)
- The development or delivery of education projects/programmes

Applicants can be at any stage of their career but must be working as a professional artist in the folk arts (eg music and/or dance). Applications will be accepted from individuals and groups of artists. The maximum award to each successful application will be £500 regardless of the number of artists involved in the application.

We particularly welcome applications from artists underrepresented in folk and traditional arts including but not exclusively artists of colour, artists with disabilities, LGBTQIA+ artists.

Grants must be used by 31 December 2024.

Applicants should complete the accompanying application form and return via email (if this is problematic, please contact us). Please ensure that your application includes full costings and supplier websites if applicable.

The closing date for completed applications is mid-night on Wednesday 31 January 2024. All applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by 1 March 2024.

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