

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios

Dublin Art Book Fair 2026

Open Call for Artist Book Submissions

Application Overview

The details in this document outline the application process and the terms and conditions associated with submitting an application to Dublin Art Book Fair (DABF) 2026.

Please read the Application Overview carefully before completing the online application form before the deadline: **Monday 05 October 2026, 12pm.**

Incomplete or incorrectly filled forms will not be included in the selection process. An additional Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document is available and can be downloaded from our website to help you in your application. Due to the high volume of applications received annually, we cannot reply to individual queries outlined in the FAQ or Application Overview documents.

Eligibility

- The open call for artist book submissions is open to individual artists. If you are an organisation, collective or small press/ publisher [please contact orla@templebargallery](mailto:orla@templebargallery) for submission details.
- Applications for the Open Call For Artist Book Submissions are open to residents of the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland only. Submissions from applicants based outside of the Republic of Ireland or Northern Ireland will not be accepted.

- All Artist Books submitted must be fit criteria and be available for sale. There is a limited capacity for free publications, please contact hello@dublinartbookfair.com in advance of submission.

Application Requirements

- Applications are to be made by individual artists through the online form on our website only, with the exception of artists applying with accessibility needs. If the Artist Book you are submitting is a partnership or collaboration, one person must be the named applicant and point of contact. All correspondence and financial transactions relating to DABF will be through the named applicant through the corresponding email provided on the form. DABF will not communicate with third parties.
- You can submit a maximum of three different Artist Book titles, with a maximum of six copies of each title. We can only accept one application per an individual.
- All Artist Books submitted, including display copies, must be available for sale.
- The maximum retail price per a title is €40. This **must** include Dublin Art Book Fair Commission.
- Please list your retail prices in euros only. The selling price must be rounded off to the nearest euro or 50 cent on the application form. Artist Books of which the pricing falls outside the nearest euro or 50 cent will be rounded up on processing.
- Dublin Art Book Fair deduct a 10% commission on all sales from the retail price you submit under each title on the application form.
- For those who wish to complete their form at separate intervals, a version of your form will be stored for up to 30 days. Data lost after the 30 day window cannot be restored.

- Images must showcase a clear and accurate representation of the overall physicality of your book. You may submit a maximum of three images. Images must be submitted as JPEGs, each with a size limit of 3MB. Please see the FAQ document for further information.
- Applicants are requested on submitting the online form that they have read, understand and agree to the terms outlined in this document, (the Dublin Art Book Fair 2026 Open Call for Artist Book Submissions Application Overview). We strongly advise applicants read the FAQ document associated with the application.

Additional Needs

Please note if you have additional needs, [contact at hello@dublinartbookfair.com](mailto:hello@dublinartbookfair.com) or phone +353 1 671 0073 (Monday–Friday, 11am–5pm) before the 05 September 2026, and an in person or Zoom appointment can be made to support the form completion.

DABF Artist Book Requirements

- All Artist Books submitted must have the artist's name printed or labelled clearly on the book's cover or inside cover. If the name is not clearly visible, the book must come clearly labelled with the name and title.
- For requirements regarding price labelling, packaging and display copies please refer to FAQ Document.
- All Artist Books submitted **must** be able to withstand unsupervised public display and handling. DABF is a retail environment, not an exhibition, so Artist Books that require special handling, or specific display cannot be accepted.
- For Artist Books that are enclosed in protective sleeve or shrink wrapped, applicants may submit a display copy (for the purpose of viewing the interior

contents). The display copy must be clearly labelled and available for sale.

Display copies are included in the maximum 6 copies. For more details on this refer to the FAQ document.

- DABF is not responsible for Artist Books lost or damaged during the Fair.
- If your artist book is purchased for a public collection, your submitted application form will be shared with the purchasing organisation for their records. The form will not be shared by us for any other reasons.
- For marketing purposes, images of submitted Artist Books, alongside the name of the artist, and details around the book are shared through Temple Bar Gallery + Studios and Dublin Art Book Fair's digital platforms, including the website and social media (Instagram, LinkedIn, Facebook, BlueSky). Occasionally this information is also shared with media outlets on request. No personal data will ever be shared publicly or with journalists.

Delivery + Drop-Off Information for Successful Applicants

- All applicants will be notified on the success of their application via email no later than 20 October 2026. Please do not email to enquire about your application before this time.

Postal Deliveries:

All postal deliveries must be received by 13 November 2026. Artists are responsible for postal costs and customs charges incurred during delivery. DABF is not responsible to items lost or damaged in delivery.

A printed copy of the Application Form you submit **must** be included with the delivery of your books. You will be emailed a copy of the form on the success of your application. All details including price, book titles and quantities submitted

must be the same as on the original application form. Deliveries with discrepancies will not be accepted.

Artist Books must be delivered to Temple Bar Gallery + Studios within the scheduled delivery dates. Artists should be available to deliver or coordinate delivery through a third party (friend, colleague or postal service) to this location within these dates:

Delivery Address

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios
5-9 Temple Bar
D02 AC84

For postal deliveries please include if possible:

Please deliver to the side door on Fownes Street lower; Mon-Fri: 11-6pm. Ring bell for office or call 01-671-0075

In-Person Delivery Dates and times:

Wednesday 11 November – Sunday 15 November 2026

Drop off between 12-5pm

Application Form Trouble Shooting

- If you submit a form accidentally and wish to send a new form, please email hello@dublinartbookfair.com with the words 'DABF Application Form Error' in the subject line. Please provide the Application reference number of the form you wish to amend which you will receive by email upon submission. Your form will be removed from the system and you may resubmit a new form.
- We are now using an online form in order to make the application process easier and more accessible. If you have trouble accessing the form, or have any issues or feedback, please get in touch at hello@dublinartbookfair.com.

EDI Policy

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios is committed to its EDI policy to promote equality of opportunity for all visual artists applying, regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, civic or family status, religion, age, disability, socio-economic background, race, or membership of the Travelling community. Therefore, we are keen to receive applications from practicing Visual Artists that are representative of the diversity of Irish society, including, but not limited to any of the characteristics outlined.

GDPR

All information submitted to Temple Bar Gallery + Studios will be held in the strictest confidence in line with GDPR guidelines and data will only be used in the context of Dublin Art Book Fair, the promotion of its participants and distribution of the books submitted. By submitting your application, you are authorising Temple Bar Gallery + Studios to contact you directly in relation to the open call.

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