

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios

Studio Application Guidelines 2021:

- **Three Year Membership Studio**
- **Project Studio**
- **Recent Graduate Residency**

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios offers subsidised work spaces for professional visual artists in a secure, comfortable and professional environment.

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios advertises annually for submissions from professional working artists via our website and social media pages, Visual Artists Ireland e-bulletin, and other platforms for advertising the visual arts.

A peer panel will review the applications and will award available studios according to set criteria. Peer panels comprise Temple Bar Gallery + Studios artist members and external/international artist or curatorial representation. A new panel is selected for each open call. The panelists rely solely on material submitted to make their decision. Within our artistic community we place a value on artistic potential as much as on track record of exhibitions, awards etc.,

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 welcome applications from practicing Visual Artists that are representative of the diversity of Irish society, including, but not limited to any of the characteristics outlined.

Available Studio Awards

Please note that Temple Bar Gallery + Studios makes several separate open calls annually for **Three Year Membership Studios, Project Studios, and the Recent Graduate Residency.**

Studio Membership:

1. **Three Year Membership Studios** are generally awarded to artists who are developing an established, professional practice. Three Year Membership Studio artists have full company membership status, full voting rights at AGM level and studio occupancy for a total of three years.

Deadline: Friday 15 October 2021, 5pm

2. **Project Studios** are generally awarded to emerging artists who demonstrate talent and potential, or artists working towards a specific project over the course of the year applied for. Project Studios are awarded for one year and confer associate company membership on the awardee. Associate members do not have full voting rights but may act as a proxy to a full member.

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Rents for all studios are highly subsidised, and are between €200 and €270 per month depending on the size of the studio awarded. Studios are awarded on the basis of availability, which differs each year. Temple Bar Gallery + Studios will try to accommodate preferences for studio sizes if specific requests are made clear in an application, however, there is no guarantee of the type or size of studio allocated if an application is successful.

3. The **Recent Graduate Residency** is open only to artists who have graduated from any Irish undergraduate degree programme, in a fine art discipline, during 2019-2021. The award includes a free studio at Temple Bar Gallery + Studios for a period of one year. It also grants the awardee a €2,500 bursary and €500 travel grant, as well as other mentoring and curatorial supports provided by Temple Bar Gallery + Studios staff and member artists. Artists awarded the Recent Graduate Residency often participate in Temple Bar Gallery + Studios' Learning + Public Engagement programmes including talks, open studios, presentations of work, and off site visits/conversations with the sponsors of the Residency.

Deadline: To be announced in early 2022

Eligibility Guidelines

Our Studio Policy places restrictions around the length of time an artist has occupancy in the studios:

- Three Year Membership Studios are for a maximum of three years with no extension.
- Project Studios and Recent Graduate Residency are for one year. There is the potential for a two-year extension with the successful application for a Three Year Membership Studio.
- Project Studio artists and Recent Graduate Residency artists may apply for a full term Three Year Membership Studio following a one year interval following their Project Studio award.
- Artists who have spent three consecutive years at Temple Bar Gallery + Studios in any combination of Project Studio, Recent Graduate Residency and Three Year Membership Studio may re-apply for a Project Studio or Three Year Membership Studio following a five year interval from the time they leave their studio.

Application Form Guidelines

A single application form for each studio category will be available to download from the Temple Bar Gallery + Studios website. There is a separate application form for the Recent Graduate Residency. There is no application fee.

The application form outlines the criteria which the panel will use to make their decision on applications. In order to make the best possible application, you should endeavour to address each of these criteria points in your application text.

In the application form, you will be asked to tell us how you propose to use the studio over the relevant period of time e.g. setting out exhibitions and projects you are working towards, or commissions you are undertaking. Temple Bar Gallery + Studios also wishes to understand your level of artistic activity outside of exhibiting and so we are now asking you to show us any work you might be in the process of realising, collaborations, ideas for work, and proposals that you have in progress, as well as finished work and exhibitions.

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios wishes to clearly ascertain your level of need for a studio space and what your space requirements are. We ask you to self-assess what kind of space you need and why. Tell us why you want a subsidised workspace at Temple Bar Gallery + Studios, and what benefit this would have to your specific practice. Please provide us with details of what materials and processes you will use and other special requirements for a workspace. We will endeavour to take this into account, as far as possible, when allocating studios for the specific periods. We will also ask you to select in order of weighted preference which features are most important to you in a studio space. We will use this information to help us to develop our plans for studio policies and for any capital redevelopment of our studio facilities in the future. (Not applicable for Recent Graduate Residency applications).

We intend for the application to be a straightforward process for both artists and assessors. The supporting materials should be concise and within the stated word count to allow the completion of a focused application.

Selection Criteria

Applications will be assessed on the six criteria points:

- Professional practicing visual artist
- Quality of work - original, distinctive, demonstrates fresh ideas, novel artistic thinking, and is relevant to the diversity of contemporary visual culture
- Recent work and activity
- Quality of proposal – perceived potential
- Expressed and perceived need
- Willingness to engage with TBG+S community

The questions in the application form and the supporting documentation are used to indicate artists' eligibility for the studios so it is important to consider the criteria when completing the application.

Additional Selection Criteria for Six Year Membership Studio applicants:

- A long term track record of producing visual art to a high standard
- An active practice within Ireland and internationally
- Willingness to undertake an ambassadorial role as part of the Temple Bar Gallery + Studios community

How to apply

Required information. You must include:

- Completed application form in '.doc' or '.pdf' format.
- Up-to-date CV in '.doc' or '.pdf' format. 3 pages max.
- Images: 10 max., laid out in a single PDF document. This should include a maximum of 10 images or links to videos, with captions (title, date, medium, and dimensions/duration for each work) and, if required, a brief description of each work. We recommend using video hosting sites such as www.youtube.com or www.vimeo.com. Please indicate within the document if there are passwords to the videos and provide the access password. Artists may wish to submit short excerpts of longer video works if available.

Optional supporting documentation. You may include: (inclusion of any of the following is not mandatory but may help to strengthen your application)

- Outline of a current artistic project and how you will carry this out using the studio at TBG+S (optional). Please provide where relevant in .pdf or .doc format. (1 A4 Page max)
- Reviews and other media: 2-3 scans of recent and relevant reviews (optional): 10 pages, max.
- Catalogues: Scanned copies of catalogues (optional). Pages that feature your work only.

Please note that we do not require letters of support or endorsement.

Applications must be made by email only. Send to: apply@templebargallery.com

If you wish to send hardcopy catalogues and books as supporting documentation to your application, they can be posted to the address below. To have your documentation returned by post, include a stamped addressed envelope with adequate postage or you can arrange to collect your application from TBG+S. Please specify if you would prefer to donate your publications to the TBG+S library. TBG+S cannot take responsibility for any materials lost or damaged so please do not send publications of which you do not have extra copies.

Studio Applications

Temple Bar Gallery + Studios

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Deadlines

Three Year Membership Studio Application

Deadline: Friday 15 October 2021, 5pm

Email application to: apply@templebargallery.com

Please include the words 'Three Year Membership Studio 2021' in the subject line.

Project Studio Application

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Please include the words 'Project Studio 2021' in the subject line.

Recent Graduate Residency Application

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Email application to: apply@templebargallery.com

Please include the words 'Recent Graduate Residency 2022' in the subject line.

If you are unsure about any element of your application please email michael@templebargallery.com with any questions and queries.

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