

Meet the Arts Council Sessions

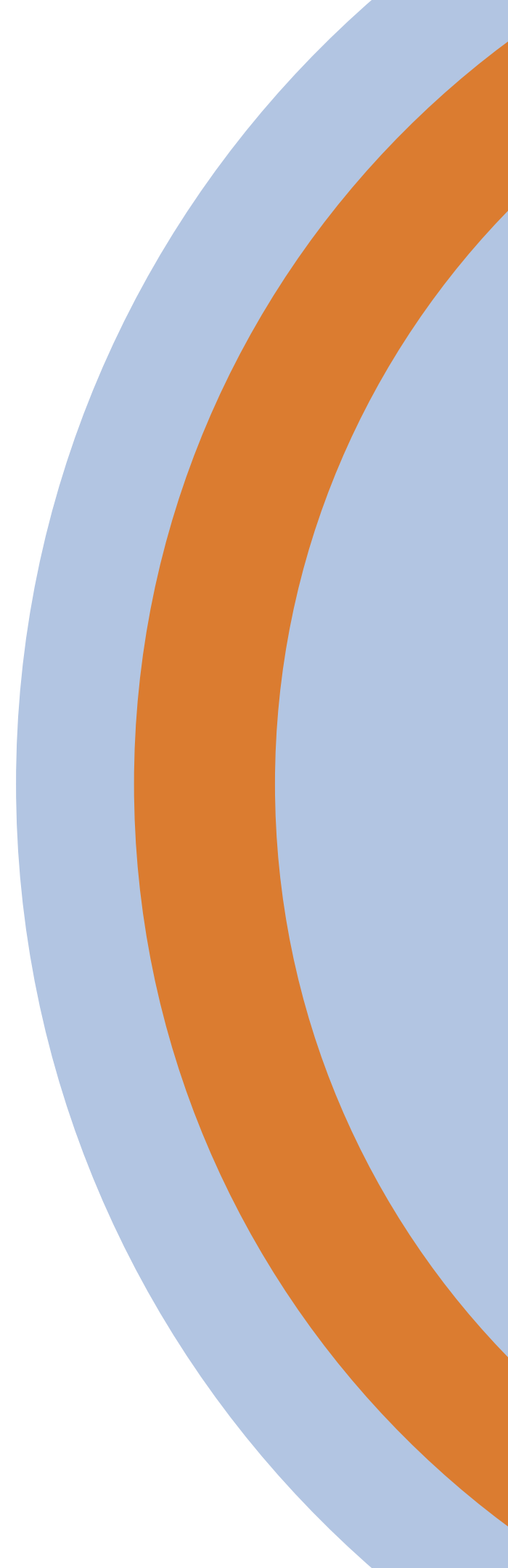
Applying for Funding from the
Arts Council for the First Time



The Arts Council

- The Arts Council is the national agency for funding, developing and promoting the arts in Ireland.
- The Arts Council provides financial assistance to artists and arts organisations
- We work in partnership with artists, arts organisations, public policy makers and others to build a central place for the arts in Irish life.

The Arts Council, in everything it does, strives to respect, support and ensure the inclusion of all voices and cultures that make up Ireland today, from all sections of society, from existing and new communities, and from all social backgrounds, ethnicities and traditions.



What can Artists apply for?

Artists may wish to apply for funding to:

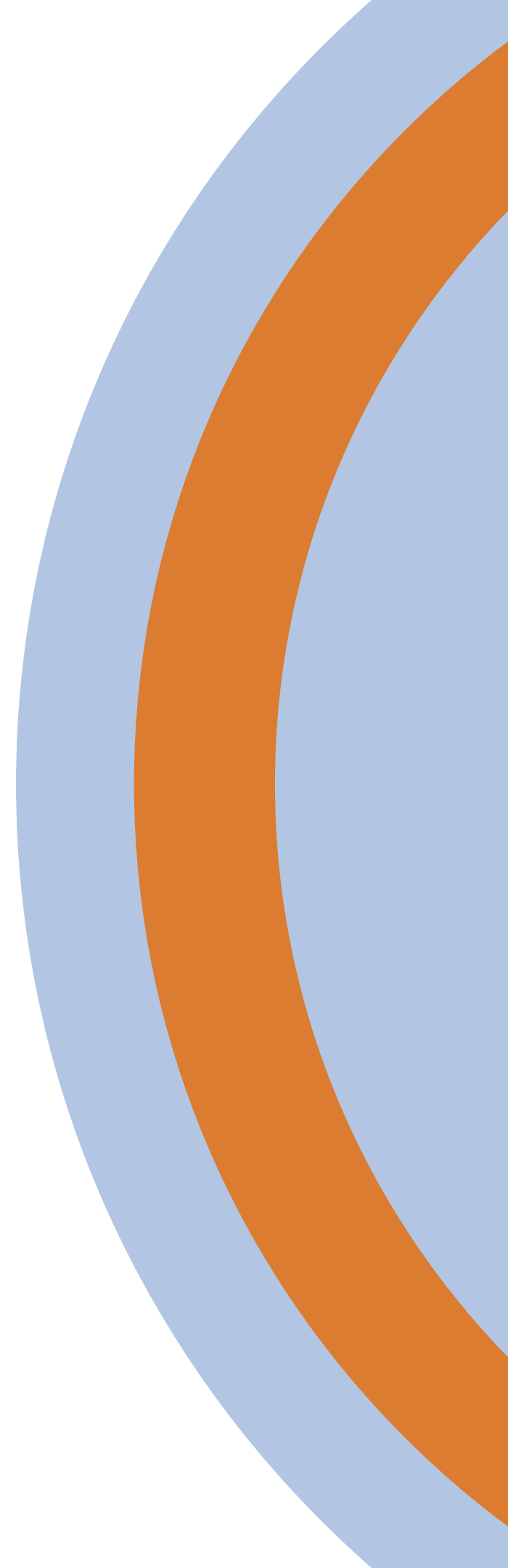
- develop their practice
- create new work
- present new work



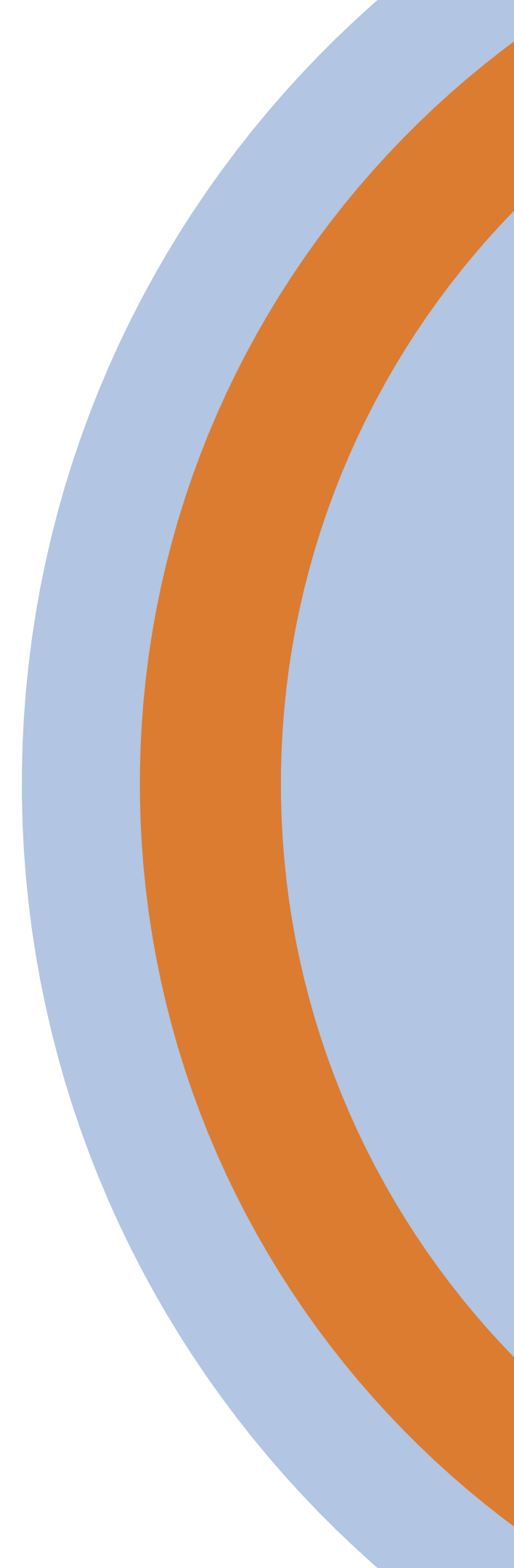
Funding Schedule

The funding schedule can be accessed here:

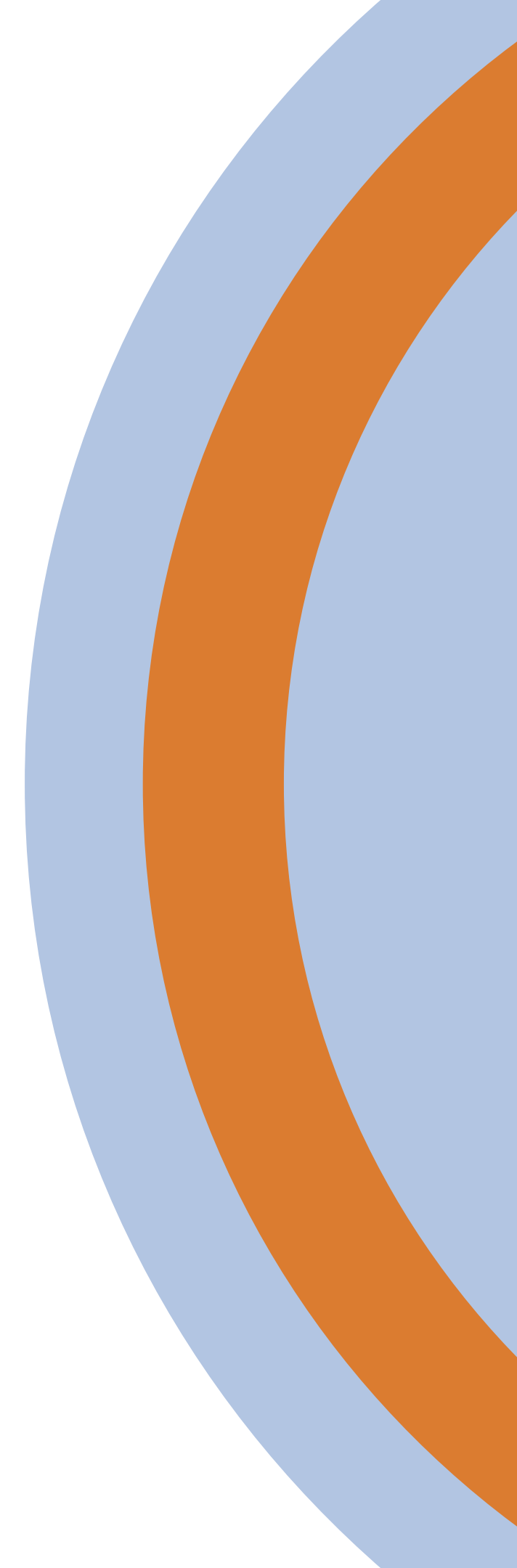
<https://www.artscouncil.ie/funding-opportunities-schedule/>



FUNDING PROGRAMME	OPENING	CLOSING
<i>Bursary Award, Round 1</i>	<i>09 January</i>	<i>15 February</i>
<i>Deis Recording and Publication</i>	<i>16 January</i>	<i>15 February</i>
<i>Arts Grant Funding 2025</i>	<i>30 January</i>	<i>14 March</i>
<i>Dance Artist Residency Scheme</i>	<i>23 January</i>	<i>22 February</i>
<i>Commissions Award</i>	<i>23 January</i>	<i>22 February</i>
<i>Young Ensembles Scheme</i>	<i>30 January</i>	<i>29 February</i>
<i>Culture Night Late</i>	<i>06 February</i>	<i>07 March</i>
<i>Opera Projects and Production Award 2025</i>	<i>20 February</i>	<i>21 March</i>
<i>Creative Places</i>	<i>27 February</i>	<i>28 March</i>
<i>Creative Schools 2024-2025</i>	<i>27 February</i>	<i>02 May</i>
<i>International Residency Initiatives Scheme</i>	<i>05 March</i>	<i>04 April</i>
<i>Teacher Education University Residencies (YPCE)</i>	<i>05 March</i>	<i>04 April</i>
<i>Arts in Early Learning and Care/School-age Childcare Scheme</i>	<i>05 March</i>	<i>04 April</i>
<i>Agility Award</i>	<i>05 March</i>	<i>25 April</i>



<i>Touring 2025*</i>	<i>April - Date TBC</i>	<i>May - Date TBC</i>
<i>Festivals Investment Scheme 2025, Round 1</i>	<i>30 April</i>	<i>30 May</i>
<i>Authored Works</i>	<i>07 May</i>	<i>06 June</i>
<i>Reel Art</i>	<i>07 May</i>	<i>06 June</i>
<i>Irish Language Theatre Scheme</i>	<i>07 May</i>	<i>06 June</i>
<i>Bursary Award, Round 2</i>	<i>21 May</i>	<i>20 June</i>
<i>Project Award 2025, Round 1</i>	<i>25 June</i>	<i>25 July</i>
<i>Strategic Funding 2025</i>	<i>25 June</i>	<i>05 September</i>
<i>Arts Centres Funding 2025</i>	<i>02 July</i>	<i>12 September</i>
<i>Partnership Funding 2025</i>	<i>23 July</i>	<i>03 October</i>
<i>Visual Arts Workspace Scheme 2025</i>	<i>13 August</i>	<i>12 September</i>
<i>Festivals Investment Scheme 2025, Round 2</i>	<i>22 October</i>	<i>21 November</i>
<i>Co-funding Award 2025</i>	<i>05 November</i>	<i>05 December</i>
<i>Project Award 2025, Round 2</i>	<i>Dates TBC</i>	<i>Dates TBC</i>



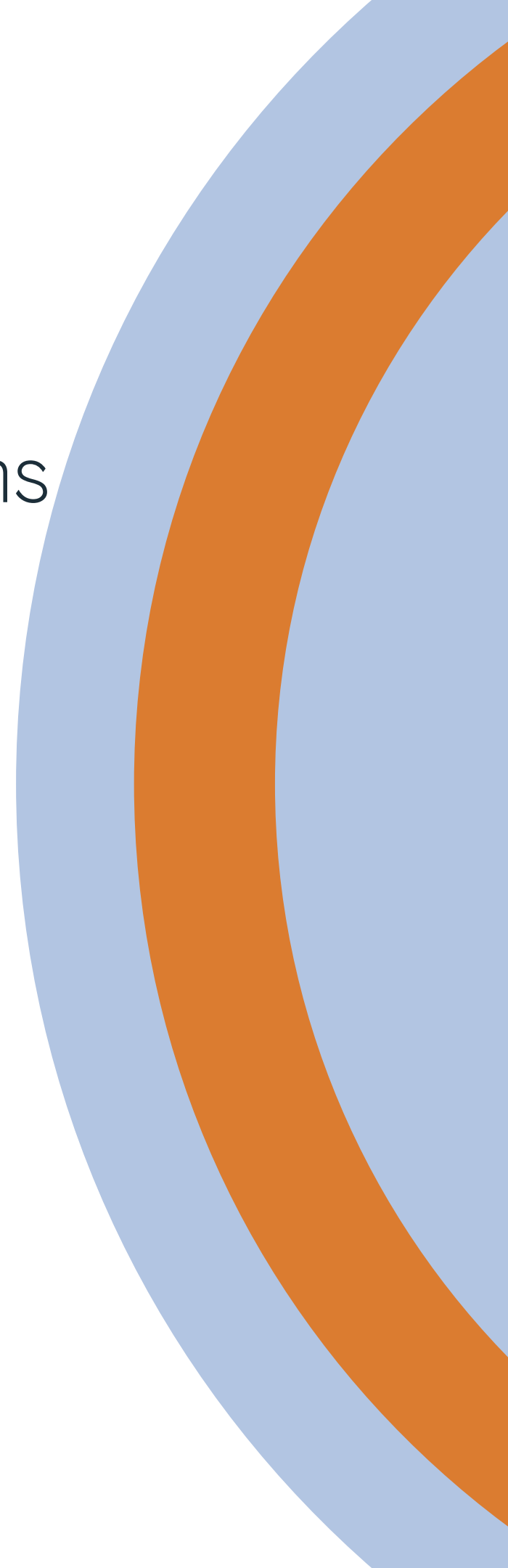
Our Arts Teams

- Architecture
- Film
- Dance
- Music/Opera
- Circus
- Street Arts & Spectacle
- Festivals
- Traditional Arts
- Arts Participation
- Literature
- Creative Schools
- Visual Arts
- Local Arts
- Multi Disciplinary Arts
- Culture Night
- Theatre
- Young People, Children and Education



Our Awards

- The Agility Award – Open to individual artists across all artforms
- The Bursary Award – Open to individual artists across all artforms
- The Project Award – Open to individual artists & arts organisations across all artforms
- Arts Grant Funding – Open to individual artists & arts organisations across all artforms
- A Touring Scheme
- Artist Residencies
- Bespoke Schemes & Awards



Our Guidelines

The guidelines will tell you if your proposal meets the purpose & priority of the award you wish to apply for.

You can access the guidelines here:

<https://www.arts council.ie/available-funding/>

If you can't find the answer in the guidelines, please contact us and we will be happy to help:

<https://www.arts council.ie/contact-us/>



Give yourself the best chance!

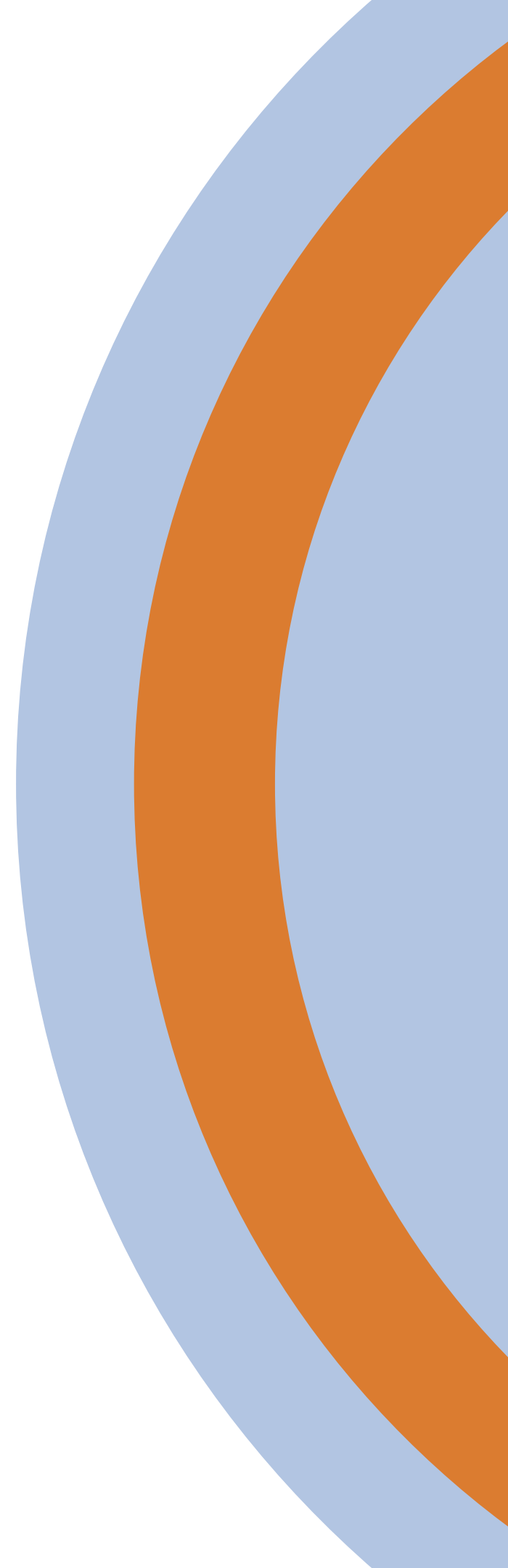
Common eligibility mistakes:

- Missing the deadline
- Leaving it too late
- Not uploading supporting material
- Uploading the wrong supporting material
- Incorrect Dates
- Incomplete Application Form
- Not reading the guidelines



Making an Application

- You must register on our Online Services at least five days before you apply.
- If you would like support with your application due to accessibility requirements, please contact our accessibility officer as early as possible.



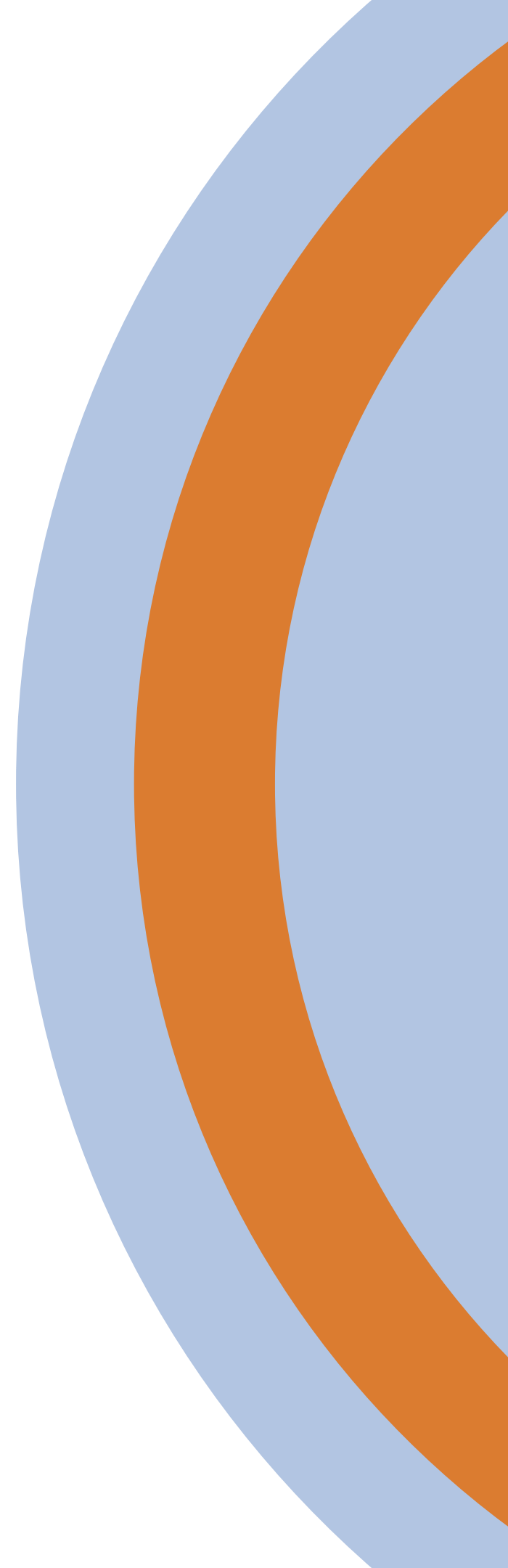
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- **Access questions:**

access@artscouncil.ie

An example of an access cost could be:

- an Irish Sign Language (ISL) interpreter
- a typist or scribe you can dictate your ideas to
- transport costs if you have a mobility impairment



Making an Application - cont.

DON'T LEAVE IT TO THE LAST MINUTE

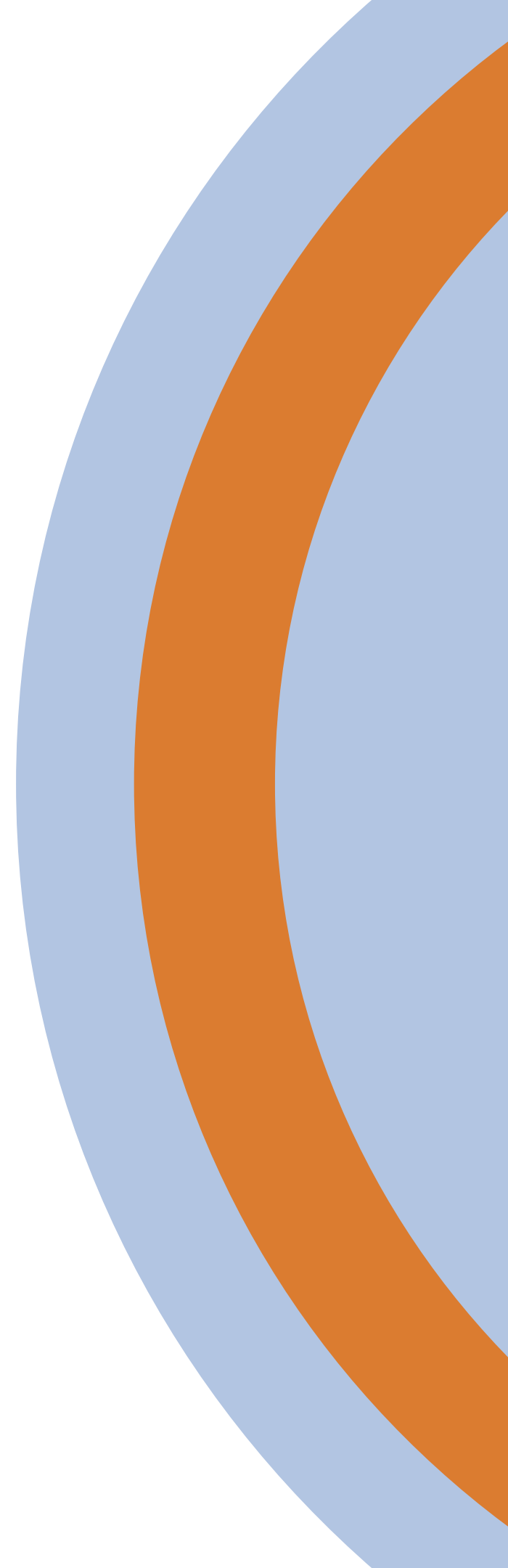
We recommend that you aim to upload your application at least 48 hours before the advertised deadline.

That way, if you encounter a problem, you will have time to contact us so that we can assist you in resolving it.



Making an Application - cont.

On account of the large volume of applicants using the online system on the last day of the deadline, we cannot guarantee that we can resolve any technical issues you may have if you contact us after 2.00pm on the day of the deadline.



Technical Question?

- **Visit:**

www.arts council.ie/FAQs/online-services/

- **Technical questions:**

email onlineservices@arts council.ie

or call 01 618 0200

- Watch our YouTube guide on making an application:

<http://www.youtube.com/arts council demos>



Thank you and enjoy the day!

