



TRADITIONAL DANCE FORUM OF SCOTLAND

*Buidheann Dannsa Tradiseanta na h-Alba
Traditional Dance Collogue o Scotland*

Getting People Dancing - COVID Recovery Fund

INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE PLANNING OF TRADITIONAL DANCE EVENTS IN SCOTLAND POST-COVID-19

Deadline - 30 April 2021

Introduction

1. The Traditional Dance Forum of Scotland is seeking proposals from individuals and organisations for plans for traditional dance events to take place once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.
2. Up to five proposals will be selected from those received. Each of these will be offered grants of £200 - £300 in order to help cover the costs of the work required in developing these plans.
3. Successful proposers will be required to produce a detailed plan for a traditional dance event (or series of events) to be held as soon as it is reasonably possible after COVID restrictions are lifted. The detailed requirements for proposals are laid out below under Para 6 “Proposal Requirements”.

Traditional Dance Forum of Scotland

4. The Traditional Dance Forum of Scotland (TDFS) is a Scottish charity (Reg No SCO45085) whose primary aim is “The advancement of the arts, heritage and culture by promoting Scottish Culture through Scottish dance style(s), dances of Scottish origin or other related traditional and social dance established in Scotland, thereby, to get more people dancing.”
5. More information about the TDFS is available at: **www.tdfs.org**

Scope of Proposals

6. Detailed plans are not required at this stage, however we need an outline that gives sufficient detail to show how each of the Proposal Requirements will be laid out in the plan.

Proposal Requirements

7. Interested parties are free to add whatever they wish to their proposals and we encourage you to show innovation and creativity. To be considered for funding, proposals must also support inclusion and diversity, and include:

- a. How the proposed event(s) will get more people taking part in traditional dance in Scotland in a social setting.
- b. Use of live music.
- c. Use of an MC/Caller from the floor.
- d. Funding requirements, and how it is proposed that these are met.
- e. Specific dates for proposed events are not required, but there is an expectation that proposals will contain a realistic timeline leading up to them.
- f. Acknowledgment of TDFS, and inclusion of TDFS logo on all event documentation.
- g. Consideration for the sustainability of the proposed activity after the event.
- h. Name(s) and contact details of proposer(s) and a short biography.

Submission of Proposals

8. There is no set layout for proposals.

9. Proposals are to be submitted as Word (.doc .docx) or PDF (.pdf) files. All submissions will be acknowledged.

10. Proposals should be submitted by 1200 on 30 Apr 21 as email attachments to **info@tdfs.org**

Selection Criteria

11. All proposals submitted before the deadline above will be examined and evaluated by a panel made up of TDFS Board members whose decisions will be final.
12. There are no set selection criteria for proposals, but weight will be given to:
 - a. How realistic the proposed event (or series of events) is thought to be.
 - b. How the event will support the TDFS aim of “getting more people dancing”.
 - c. How live music will be used.

Follow on Actions

13. The TDFS makes no commitment to taking forward any of the proposals submitted in response to this invitation for proposals. Proposers may, however, be contacted in the future with a view to possible collaborations.
14. Feedback will be given to unsuccessful proposers if requested.

Funding

15. Successful applicants will receive between £200 and £300 towards the cost of preparing a full and detailed event plan.
16. Further funding may be made available in due course, but if this is required this should be made clear in the proposal. Recipients of further funding will be required to join the TDFS if they are not members already.

Timelines

17. Successful proposers will be notified by 21 May 21 and will be expected to produce their event plans within the following four weeks. Payment will then be made within fourteen days of receipt of completed plans, provided they include all the required detail.

Further Information

18. For further information or an informal chat about this, please contact the TDFS secretary (Bernie Hewitt) via email to **ceilidhcraic@bernhew.com** or by telephone call to 07795 233920.

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