

## West Cork Music Clg Annual Report 2022

West Cork Music - established in 1995, is a small Bantry-based arts organisation employing 7 full-time & 1 part-time personnel in 2022. It is responsible for producing three major festivals in Bantry and an extensive music-in-schools project. In 2022, West Cork Music was funded by the Arts Council, Cork County Council and Fáilte Ireland and the European Union.

The principal activities of West Cork Music (WCM) remain the support, encouragement and delivery of quality arts events with high levels of participation both locally, nationally and internationally through genre specific festivals, education projects, masterclasses and other events. The company is committed to the artistic development of young musicians and writers and to developing the international profile of Irish musicians and writers.

West Cork Music is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital.

The **West Cork Chamber Music Festival** dealt with last minute Covid cancellations and replacements, with a total of 6.5 concerts being cancelled. A total of over 70 concerts and events involving 60 musicians and 26 Young Musicians. Ongoing Covid outbreaks and considerable travel difficulties dramatically reduced audience numbers. 47.5 concerts were recorded for the WCCMF Archive and for RTE Lyric fm. RTE OB Unit recorded 4 broadcasts to Spain, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany, Iceland, Greece. Masterclasses to Young musicians were led by 2 specialist tutors and members of all 4 guest Quartets. 6 premieres of commissioned works were planned however 3 were cancelled due to Covid. All five winners from 2020's and 2021's Composition Competition had their works workshopped and premiered. The Fringe returned in 2022 with 10 concerts in local West Cork towns by young quartets plus 6 pop-ups in Bantry.

The **West Cork Literary Festival** returned to in-person programming in 2022 Festival involving over 95 writers and industry professionals. With a wide-range of workshops, seminars, readings, professional development, Young Adult and Children's events. Eight events were recorded at WCLF and transmitted online with closed-captioned subtitles autumn 2022. 6 workshops were planned but two had to be cancelled due to Covid. There was an online Meet the Agent event with London-based literary agent Jo Unwin.

The **Masters of Tradition** (MoT) was held in August with 10 concerts, 3 Talks and a memorial event for Dennis Cahill.

The **Concert Series** consisted of 6 concerts throughout the year and the **Tuning-Up** Music-in-Schools project brought 3 tours by Cork-based musicians to Cork County schools

We comply with the Governance Code for Community, Voluntary and Charitable organisations in Ireland. We confirm that a review of our organisation's compliance with the principles in the Code was conducted. WCM conducts its activities within a framework of proper corporate governance and the keen and wide-ranging support of several local, national and international sponsors and patrons.

**Statement of Annual Accounts for year ended 31 December 2022**

<b>Income</b>		<b>€</b>	<b>€</b>
Festivals and Concerts			178,055
Grants	Arts Council	466,000	
	Fáilte Ireland	65,000	
	Cork County Council	52,000	
	Creative Europe	12,000	
	EWSS	24,959	
			619,959
Sponsorship and other income			156,528
Education			6,240
<b>Total Income</b>			<b>960,782</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		<b>€</b>	
Festivals and education		640,730	
Staff Costs		291,230	
Administration		77,888	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>1,009,847</b>	
<b>Deficit of Expenditure over Income</b>			<b>(49,066)</b>