



Red Line Book Festival – Comedian in Residence

The annual Red Line Book Festival will take place from 14th – 20th October 2024 and features local, national and international authors, as well as panels, workshops, theatrical productions, children’s events and more.

Applications are invited for a Comedian in Residence to support the delivery of the festival programme. The residency is supported by South Dublin Libraries and Arts.

The purpose of this year’s residency is to develop local talent in the area of **stand-up comedy writing**.

Remuneration

This is a Contract for Service and there is a grant of €5,000 available, inclusive of all relevant costs associated with the residency. This will be paid in two instalments, inclusive of all expenses incurred. Applicants must be Tax Compliant and provide a Tax Clearance Access Number (TCAN) and Tax Reference Number and hold their own insurance cover.

Period of service / contract duration

The successful applicant will be required to provide residency services on a part-time basis between August and October 2024.

Writer in Residence Brief

The Residency is open to writers working in the area of stand-up comedy writing and performance. The residency will involve a programme of public workshops which will culminate in a performance during the Red Line Book Festival on Thursday 17th October 2024. The successful applicant will MC and open this event.

Objective of the residency

To create opportunities for the Comedian in Residence to:

- Mentor a group of adults to develop their stand-up comedy writing and performance skills.

Support for the residency

South Dublin Libraries will offer additional support and assistance to the Writer in Residence in the areas of:

- Admin, Marketing and Technical Support with various elements of the Residency
- Liaison with relevant community groups for promotional activities, facilitation of meetings, workshops or talks, as may be relevant to the Residency.

Application procedure

Applicants will submit a proposal together with details of previous work to date as follows:

- An up-to-date curriculum vitae (max 4 pages).
- A written submission of interest outlining proposed approaches and plans for the residency, (1,000 words maximum). Please also refer and include information relevant to the brief and objectives outlined above. The proposal should also include ideas about the public engagement aspect of the residency.
- Examples of previous work; e.g. performances, event facilitation, workshop delivery, community engagement.

Please submit the two components of the application as one document in an email attachment with the subject line 'Comedian in Residence' to librarycomms@sdublincoco.ie. The document should be in Word or PDF format. The deadline for receipt of applications is 17th July 2024.

Selection process

- Applications should be complete and address all aspects of the brief and selection criteria.
- In the event of more than one valid application, applicants may be shortlisted, and a competitive interview process may take place.
- Evaluation of applicants will be based on the information provided in the application and at interview stage and in accordance with the below criteria and scoring.

Criteria scoring

Artistic merit and distinctiveness of proposal.	25
Quality of previous work	25
Suitability of the proposal to the context	25
Outreach ability and experience	25
Total	100

Further information

For further information on the Comedian in Residence project, please contact librarycomms@sdublincoco.ie