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MICRO GRANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL FOLK ARTISTS

Thanks to the continued and generous support of Conrad and Jennifer Bailey we are delighted to announce a further year of the Micro Grants Programme for Professional Folk Artists who live and work in England.

Criteria

This year eight grants of £500 each are being offered to folk artists to support anything that will help their professional career development. This could be:

- Research and development time to for new creative projects
- Support for the production of new albums
- Instrument purchase
- Marketing, PR and/or digital support
- Technical equipment purchase (e.g. portable sound equipment)
- Other personal training and development activities (including courses)

This list is not exhaustive but please note this fund does not support the development of new or continuing education projects such as creating a project for schools.

Applicants can be at any stage of their career but must be working as a professional artist in folk music and/or dance. Applications will be accepted from individuals and groups of artists. The maximum award to each successful application will be £500 regardless of the number of artists involved in the application.

Application details and key dates

Applicants should complete the accompanying application form or provide a video or audio file which clearly answers all the questions on the application form. Please submit via email to zoe@efdss.org.

The closing date for completed applications is midnight on Sunday 1 November 2026.

All applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by Tuesday 8 December 2026. The funded activity must be completed by 30 September 2027.

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