

Culture Organisations and Venues Recovery Fund: Round 2

As announced by the First Minister on Friday 11 May 2021, the Scottish Government has committed to a second round of the Culture Organisations and Venues Recovery Fund. The fund aims to offer additional support to Round 1 recipients and to help eligible organisations that didn't receive funding in the first round. The Scottish Government has made available £25 million for a second round of this fund, as well as the Performing Venues Relief Fund which is covered below too.

The fund is intended to support organisations which are vital to the cultural life of Scotland, but which need financial support to prevent significant job losses and/or insolvency due to the pandemic.



Who is eligible?

Cultural organisations and venues that were awarded funding in Round 1 of this fund, **have complied with their funding agreement**, and require further funding to help prevent insolvency and/or significant job losses.

Other cultural organisations and venues which are eligible but either did not previously apply, or did not receive funding in Round 1, and now require funding to help prevent insolvency and/or significant job losses.

Applications should be made through the online application portal. The application portal link will be available on the **Creative Scotland website from 2pm on Thursday 17 June 2021**.

You can download the guidance document for full details on eligibility here –

<https://www.creativescotland.com/funding/funding-programmes/culture-organisations-and-venues-recovery-fund>

Performing Arts Venues Relief Fund Round 2

Round 2 of the Performing Arts Venues Relief Fund will provide emergency funding to help performing arts venues remain solvent during COVID19. It will also provide support for the return of staff from furlough and new artistic commissions from freelance artists.

Who is eligible?

Previous recipients of funding from the Performing Arts Venues Relief Fund awarded in summer 2020 can apply for further support. In addition, any new applicants who meet the eligibility criteria can also apply.



Some venues will potentially be eligible to apply to either this fund or the Culture Organisations and Venues Recovery Fund. **However, you can only apply to one of the funds, not both.** You should look at both options to assess which is the most appropriate to your needs.

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Please note

If you apply to one of the funds and you are assessed as ineligible after the deadline, you will not be eligible to apply to the other fund, and **late applications will not be accepted.**

Timeline for both funds:

Applications open – 2pm on Thursday 17 June 2021

Application deadline – 12 noon on Thursday 24 June 2021

Emergency advance payments – from Thursday 1 July 2021

Decisions – end of July 2021

Contracting and payment – end of July/early August 2021

If you need further information regarding these funds, please email info@thomsoncooper.com.

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