

CALLOUT FOR PARTICIPANTS

Circus Transformation in Action 7 (CTF 7)

Galway Community Circus, Sorin Sirkus (FI) and the CARAVAN International Network for Youth and Social Circus are recruiting participants for a professional training programme for Social Circus teachers. The programme is open to Ireland-based circus and/or youthwork practitioners, and will be delivered through 4 x 5-day training modules (20 days in total) between June 2023 and April 2024.

Galway Community Circus have 2 spaces available on the CTF 7 programme. Successful applicants will join 20 participants from other international youth and social circus schools to take part in the programme.

What is Circus Transformation (CTF)?

Circus Transformation is a 20-day training for Social Circus trainers towards building capacity and know-how within the circus teaching community to develop skills in and around the effective use of circus as a tool for social engagement and change.

CTF was developed by the CARAVAN Network following a 5-year research project funded by the European Commission. The training is based on CARAVAN's 'Circus Transformation Guidebook for Social Circus Teachers' and has so far been delivered to 120 social circus teachers across 18 different countries (visit www.caravancircusnetwork.eu for more details).

The CTF Programme

The programme includes 4 x 5-day modules taught by expert facilitators from Sorin Sirkus (Finland: www.sorinsirkus.fi), École de Cirque de Bruxelles (Belgium: <http://www.ecbru.be>), AltroCirco (Italy: www.altrocirco.it) and Galway Community Circus (Ireland: www.galwaycommunitycircus.com).

Modules include A - Social Context; B - Act of Teaching; C - Management/Steering of Teaching; D - Circus Techniques, Creativity and Foundations. Each module will be delivered at a different European circus school. Provisional dates are:

Date	Module	Venue
12 th – 16 th June 2023	A	Sorin Sirkus, Finland
27 th November – 1 st December 2023	B	École de Cirque de Bruxelles, Belgium
19 th – 23 rd January 2024	C	Altro Circo, Italy
3 rd – 7 th April 2024	D	Galway Community Circus, Ireland

Participants must complete all 4 modules to receive a CTF Certificate of Completion.

Cost

Thanks to funding from Erasmus+, the training programme will be provided free of charge (course value is €2000 per participant). Participants will also receive a grant towards their travel costs, and accommodation will be provided for all modules.

Participants will need to pay for their own food, plus travel costs in excess of their grant allowance. Travel grants are based on Erasmus+ standard rates and calculated by distance travelled.

Who can apply?

- Early-career circus trainers with basic circus skills who want to acquire specific social circus skills to deliver social circus training programmes
- Circus artists/practitioners who wish to work in a social circus setting



Eligibility criteria

To apply for CTF 7, you must meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrate that you will engage with the programme (by submitting a Letter of Motivation)
- Be available and committed to travel on course dates

How to apply

Please email a letter of motivation to becca@galwaycircus.com, including some information about yourself, your current work/practice, and why you would like to take part in the CTF 7 programme.

Deadline for applications is 5pm on Monday 13th March 2023.

Contact

Please contact Becca Clayton (Head of Projects and Development for Galway Community Circus) on becca@galwaycircus.com for further information or any queries.

We look forward to receiving your application!