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### **Defining the term 'Professional'**

**Artists applying for Artist-in-Residence (AIR) Grants Program funding must show that they have achieved a minimum of three (3) years professional practice.**

*When using the word 'Professional', the Department of Culture and the Arts believes that a professional artist is one that will be producing new works to a high standard of expertise on a regular basis.*

*To be considered professional for the purposes of applying for funding, artists should be able to show an engagement with appropriate peer and organisation networks related to their field of practice.*

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celebrating creativity...**  
offering young people the creative edge.