



Technical Training Fund 2021

Prior to the pandemic we had made the decision to re-work our technical training from being a once a year event at Winter School to a more accessible year-round programme, run throughout Scotland. This was programmed to start in 2020 and although it had to be cancelled due to the pandemic we had hoped it would be possible to reprise the plan in 2021, unfortunately that has not been the case and we have decided to re-purpose the money to run a technical training fund to ensure that the sector can still have their training needs met.

The fund will award up to **£350** to help with the costs incurred when attending training, including the cost of the course itself, travel or accommodation. The fund will not cover any loss of earnings. The fund will run to the end of the of this financial year 21-22, or when the allocated money runs out, the deadline for applications is the 1st of March 2021 and all funds must be paid out by April 28th 2021.

The Training Fund aims to provide assistance to freelance and casual staff as well as full time and part time employees working in technical theatre and production roles in Scotland to access training and professional support, **it is open to FST members and non-members**. The Training Fund provides financial assistance to individuals working in these areas wishing to undertake professional development opportunities or training in **technical and production skill areas** including:

- **Stage/Production/Technical Management**
- **Lighting**
- **Sound**
- **Audio Visual**
- **Stage & Flys**
- **Wardrobe & Wigs**
- **Set Construction**
- **Scenic Art**
- **Prop Making**



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Who Can Apply

Individuals who are freelance or who work as a casual member of staff in a technical theatre or production role can apply for up to £350 of funding. Individuals who are employed full or part-time in a technical theatre or production role can apply for up to £250.

You can apply for funding multiple times, claiming up to a maximum of £350 (£250 for employed staff). For example, if you were eligible for £250 of funding, you could apply for five lots of £50 to fund four separate courses.

Alternatively, you could use the entire allowance to fund a single training event, if the cost can be justified.

You may be eligible for up to £350 of financial assistance if:

- You are self employed or work as a freelancer in a technical theatre or production role in performing arts, live events or other relevant creative industry in Scotland
- You are working for an organisation as a casual member of technical or production staff
- You are **not** currently a full time student or receiving any other forms of training allowance, including a student grant or loan

You may be eligible for up to £250 of financial assistance if:

- You are employed full or part time in a technical theatre or production role in performing arts, live events or other relevant creative industry in Scotland
- You are **not** currently a full time student or receiving any other forms of training allowance, including a student grant or loan

Further Information

We will endeavour to inform you if your application has been successful within 10 working days of receipt. Please also note that applications must be made a minimum of 2 weeks before the training is due to take place.

We do not hold a list of preferred training providers. You may source training from any providers as long as your application offers justification for your choice.



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Please note that successful applicants will be notified by e-mail and paid in arrears on completion of a short survey about their training experience.

If you have any enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact fiona.mccurdy@scottishtheatre.org



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