

**Music writers are experiencing major difficulties in the ever-changing music industry, and often feel isolated. IASCA (Irish Association of Songwriters, Composers and Authors) aims to foster a community of songwriters, composers and authors in Ireland, and with your support, lobby and campaign for change for us all.**

We are now open for membership and hope you will join us to converse, discuss issues, attend or present mentoring sessions, and create opportunities for music writers.

### **WHY JOIN?**

- We can join forces on every day issues that affect us and can be improved upon
- Strength in numbers gives us and IASCA a louder voice
- Network with members in your particular area of expertise all over Ireland
- To support and finance IASCA projects and grow our association – we have great ideas to work on
- To receive advice and education from professionals – songwriters / film composers / lyricists
- To hear about opportunities - (songwriting competitions / composer submissions/ songwriting and composer awards)
- To receive discounts within the industry – earn your membership fee back!!

### **ONGOING PROJECTS:**

**PRIVATE MEMBERS ONLY AREA FOR SONGWRITERS, COMPOSERS & AUTHORS** – a safe and confidential environment to network and converse

- Personal profile page

- Network and support | status updates | message other members | create groups, for example by genre: *Traditional songwriters*, by location: *Classical Composers in the Munster*, any group you can think of where other members might like to join and network - *Lyric Writers – How to get published*.

**PLAY IRISH** – a project created to increase radio play in Ireland for Irish artists. The project launched in Galway last month, and has already introduced new artists to a daytime radio audience - the aim is to eventually go national with PLAY IRISH.

[https://www.iasca.ie/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=97&Itemid=97](https://www.iasca.ie/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=97&Itemid=97)

**RADIO IASCA** – A free podcast series to promote Irish artists both at home and abroad – download our first one and hear music from established and new artists that inspire one of our **IASCA Directors**....

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**IRELAND & EUROPE – IASCA** has partnered with ECSA (European Composer & Songwriter Alliance) in Europe to expand the lobbying voice for composers and songwriters, <http://www.composeralliance.org/>

**IASCA** is also working with First Music Contact, Music Managers Forum Ireland, and IMRO to discuss issues and create opportunities for our members in Ireland.

### **MENTORING**

Professionals will be available online and in person at scheduled intervals for mentoring in areas like songwriting / touring / recording / collaborations and lots more.

For more information on IASCA, and to find out about their ongoing projects, visit: <https://www.iasca.ie/>

Membership is €50 per year

### **IASCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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