



Kilkenny County Council Arts Office E-bulletin 22nd January 2016

Dear All,

Welcome to the fortnightly e-bulletin from Kilkenny County Council's Arts Office. Each bulletin is packed with the latest information on Kilkenny Arts Office activities, county events as well as news and opportunities for arts practitioners from around the country.

This service will be provided fortnightly. To include an item in the next e-bulletin please send a brief outline of your advert with relevant contact details, including any websites or pages with links to julie.mcguirk@kilkennycoco.ie before **4th February**. The next e-bulletin will be on the **5th February**.

While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of our information, we strongly advise readers to verify all details to their own satisfaction.

Regards,

Julie McGuirk

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Tyrone Guthrie Bursary 2016



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Kilkenny County Council Arts Office call for applications for its Tyrone Guthrie Bursary 2016!

Kilkenny County Councils Arts Office in partnership with the Tyrone Guthrie Centre is now offering its annual residency opportunity for a practitioner in any art form currently based in Kilkenny to spend two weeks at the Tyrone Guthrie Centre artists' workplace, Annaghmakerrig, Co Monaghan.

The aim of the Residency is to assist and encourage both established and emerging practitioners, in giving them an opportunity to work intensively on a 'project' alongside others in a very unique environment.

Closing date for receipt of completed applications is no later than **4pm on Monday 22nd February 2016.**

Applications will only be accepted in hard copies, no online submissions.

For further details and application forms regarding all of the above please contact: Julie McGuirk, Arts Office, Kilkenny County Council, No 5 Dean Street, Kilkenny.
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Application forms can also be downloaded here. [Tyrone Guthrie 2016.doc \(size 109.6 KB\)](#)

Kilkenny Clinic Mentoring Programme For Artists 2016



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Kilkenny County Council Arts Officer Mary Butler is pleased to invite applications from eligible artists for the Kilkenny Clinic Mentoring Programme. This is part of Kilkenny's ArtLinks programme 2016. This hugely successful programme, provides an opportunity for artists to meet face-to-face with a specialist mentor who has expertise in their artform to discuss and develop their artistic practice. This Clinic Mentoring Programme is open to qualifying Kilkenny artists who are registered members of ArtLinks only. Artists interested in applying for programme support should download an application form from:

[Art Links Mentoring 2016.doc \(size 1.6 MB\)](#)

The closing date for receipt of Clinic Mentoring applications is:

Friday 12th February, 2016 at 12 noon

ABOUT THE MENTORING PROGRAMME

Clinic mentoring sessions cover a range of topics specific to an individual artist's needs. The sessions provide the artist with the opportunity to discuss such areas as:

- ♣ Planning and developing their artistic practice and professional development path
- ♣ Working in context with the wider artistic community
- ♣ Marketing their artistic practice and maximising online awareness
- ♣ Commercialising their creativity

The mentoring service offers the following benefits to the artist:

- ♣ Expert guidance
- ♣ Objective, independent advice
- ♣ Relevant and practical support
- ♣ Confidential assistance on sensitive issues
- ♣ A sound board to help in making decisions

Mentoring is provided by a selected panel of experts comprising all artforms. Mentoring support will be offered to successful artists from Mid May to Mid July 2016.

WHAT THE ARTISTS SAY:

'I just wanted to say a huge thank you for setting up my mentoring session. My mentor was totally focused, sensitive and so generous with her time and action plans. I needed this experience so badly and it has firmly anchored me back on track again. She was totally the right person for me to see and I am so grateful to her and to Artlinks for providing me with the opportunity to have this terrific experience.'

Christabel Atkins, Visual Artist

ABOUT ARTLINKS

Established in 2007 ArtLinks provides supports for artists across all disciplines living in the South East to assist them develop their practice for the future. The programme provides mentoring, bursaries, networking and professional development opportunities for professional and emerging artists across the partner region.

Artists must be a member of Artlinks to be eligible for any of our supports, so registration is essential. Membership is free and is open to both Professional and Emerging Artists who are resident within the four Local Authority County Councils of; Carlow, Kilkenny, Waterford and

Wexford. Register online at www.artlinks.ie

For further information contact:

Julie McGuirk on (056) 7794547 or email at julie.mcguirk@kilkennycoco.ie

Call for Applications - Arts Act Grant 2016

Arts Act Grants 2016

Any organisation or individual based in the Kilkenny administrative area involved in activities, which promote, develop the knowledge, appreciation and practice of the arts is eligible to apply for the Arts Act Grant.

Categories

1. Groups and Organisations promoting arts

- Kilkenny County Council will consider applications from organisations involved in the promotion of the arts in Kilkenny.

2. Individual Artists all Art forms

- Kilkenny County Council will consider applications from practising artists living in Kilkenny to enable them to pursue their practice and to develop within their chosen discipline, including professional development and project awards

An application for a grant may be made under one of the above categories only. Groups and individuals can only make one application for an Arts Act Grants annually.

[Application form Arts Act Grants 2016.doc \(size 545.3 KB\)](#)

Closing date for receipt of completed applications is no later than **4pm on Monday 22nd February**

For further details and application forms regarding the Arts Act Grant please contact:

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Art Links Bursaries 2016 Call for Applications



SUPPORTING ARTISTS AND THEIR PRACTICE IN THE SOUTH EAST

Kilkenny County Council in partnership with the ArtLinks partners in Carlow, Waterford and Wexford is pleased to announce that they are currently accepting applications for the ArtLinks Bursary Awards 2016.

ArtLinks is a partnership of the four Local Authority Arts Offices in Carlow, Kilkenny, Waterford and Wexford . It is supported by the Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon.

ArtLinks provides professional development opportunities and supports for established and emerging artists who are resident in the four partner local authority areas in the South East region.

Artists must be a member of ArtLinks to avail of these supports. Membership is free and is open to both Professional and Emerging Artists who are resident within the four partner Local Authorities. If you are not already a member log on to <http://www.artlinks.ie> to register for membership today and the application forms and guidelines are available to download from this website also.

Bursaries are available in the following areas

- Emerging Artist Award (for those commencing a career in the arts sector)
- Professional Development Award (for professional artists)
- Collaborative Award (for collaborative projects between ArtLinks members)

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is Friday 12th February 2016 at 12noon.

Kilkenny Events

Theatre: The Poor Little Boy with No Arms



Friday 29th January 8:00 pm

Watergate Theatre (Main Stage)

Parliament Street, Kilkenny

[Ticket Prices](#)

€14/12

Event Details

Ruby arrives in Skibberceannigh, “the World’s Most Liveable Community”, to a warm welcome from the friendly townsfolk.

All is not what it seems, however, and while out walking late one night, Ruby comes across a mysterious man who has no arms.

The man tells her of how the townspeople discriminate against him and set him tedious tasks to do by night and Ruby soon discovers that this shocking treatment of her new friend is just one of the town’s many dark secrets...

A large cast explore the themes of secrecy, control and the Irish psyche in this fast-paced and physical comedy-drama.

This show, with its original cast, was devised at The Lir Academy with Mikel Murfi.

Running time: 70 min

Age suitability: 16+

Warning: Please be advised that this production contains strong language

Directed by Oonagh Murphy

Devised by One Duck with Mikel Murfi

Movement by Bryan Burroughs

Lighting Design by Cillian McNamara

Rozi Plain + Band // The Southern Fold



Brewery Corner [Friday, February 5](#) at 9:30 PM

(056) 780 5081

One of the most unique and original voices in UK alt-folk [Rozi Plain](#), will play Brewery Corner February 5th. Rozi is also known for playing with [This Is The Kit](#)

The Southern Fold is an Alternative Country/Folk band from Kilkenny, Ireland

Tickets €5 available from Rollercoaster Records and Brewery Corner next week

<http://roziplain.co.uk/shows/>

To reserve tickets call Brewery Corner on (056) 780 5081

Exhibition Opening: Rose Cottage Art and Textiles – opening by Caroline Schofield



Rose Cottage Art and Textiles

Jean Burke, Aisling Noone, Chrissie Shanahan, Alice Bennett, Karolina Danlaite, Isabel Alvarez Gomez

opens 28th January
7 pm - 9 pm

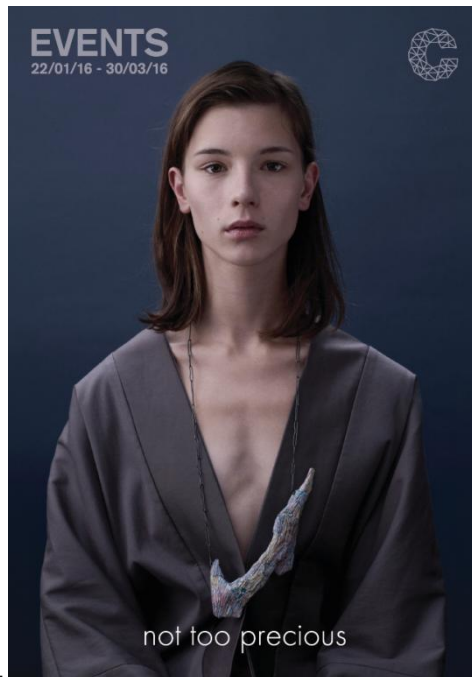
The Watergarden

Thomastown





January February March at National Craft Gallery



NOT TOO PRECIOUS **22 JANUARY 2016 – 30 MARCH 2016**

Not Too Precious explores inspirational work by 25 international jewellers using materials for their expressive potential rather than for their intrinsic value. Today, the use of a huge variety of materials in jewellery is far more accepted, but economic pressures are putting that freedom of artistic expression at potential risk as people revert to traditionally 'valuable' materials for 'safety'. Not Too Precious challenges preconceptions about 'non-precious' materials by encouraging us to consider 'accrued value': what talented makers bring to their work through their ideas and skill.

NOT TOO PRECIOUS Exhibition Events & Engagements

CURATOR'S TALK

Fri 22 Jan, 6pm

Gregory Parsons (UK) in conversation with guests

PRINT MAKING, CPD WORKSHOP

Wed 16 Feb, 6pm

Post Primary CPD workshop in print –making with Caroline Ryan

DRAWING AS RESEARCH

Wed 17 Feb, Wed 16 March, 10.30am -12.30pm

Explore drawing as a tool for developing creative ideas with Jewellery designer /maker Inga Reed

FAMILY DAY: ANIMAL ALCHEMY

Sat 13 Feb 10.30am & 12 noon & Teen workshop 2.30pm

Transform toy animals into jewellery, workshop inspired by Felieke van der Leest amazing animal creations

LATE DATE: FILM SCREENING, ADVANCED STYLE

Thurs 25 Feb, 8pm

Advanced Style examines the lives of seven unique New Yorkers whose eclectic personal style and vital spirit have guided their approach to aging.

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY WORKSHOP

Tues 8 March, 10.30- 1pm & 6 - 8.30pm

Creative Engagement with *Caroline Schofield*

JEWELLERY SEMINAR

Fri 11 March, 10.30am- 4.30pm

Parade Tower, Kilkenny Castle

JEWELLERY MASTERCLASS

Sat 12 March, 10am -12.30pm & 2pm - 4.30pm

Workshops for jewellery designers and makers with Felieke van der Leest (NL) and Zoe Robertson (UK)

FAMILY DAY: BOOK BADGES

Sat 26 March, 10.30 & 12noon & Teen workshop 2.30pm

Jewellery workshop using books inspired by Flóra Vági work

SCHOOLS TOUR & ACTIVITY

Tues- Fri 10am & 12 noon

Exhibition guided talk and hands on design activity

For more information

Email events@nationalcraftgallery.ie or call 056 7796151

KEVIN **PIANO RECITAL** JANSSON

Programme includes works by

BACH
BEETHOVEN
RAVEL
LISZT
TCHAIKOVSKY

CASTALIA

Camphill Ballytobin

SUNDAY 24 JANUARY 4pm

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Courses / Training / Jobs / Internships

The Irish Museums Association's Annual Conference 2016 at National Gallery of Ireland



26 – 28 February 2016

National Gallery of Ireland, Merrion Square West, Dublin 2

'Museums for Society: Towards a Cultural Democracy'

The Irish Museums Annual Conference provides a platform each spring for professionals working in museums, public galleries and other cultural institutions to meet, network and discuss key issues and topics of interest to the museum sector.

The 2016 conference will see presentations by 23 Speakers, from Ireland and abroad, who will address the role of museums as civic institutions with an important role to play in the social, cultural and educational life of society. Museums hold, interpret and exhibit their collections – the tangible and intangible heritage of humanity – on behalf of the public. They should therefore be ideally placed to help define and enhance a sense of citizenship and belonging, but are they living up to their potential? Do our audiences really feel ownership of “their” museums? Is a democratic museum possible?

To visit the conference website, please visit: www.irishmuseums-annualconference.org

Symposium: Drawing As A Social Action, The Model, Sligo



30 January, 12noon to 4.30pm | Cost: €15/€10 (Including

lunch by Sligo Global Kitchen)

The Model, The Mall, Sligo

To mark the opening of the exhibition, The Model Drawing / Unforgettable Neighbourhoods by Bart Lodewijks, The Model will present a Symposium: Drawing as a Social Action. Artist and lecturer Ronnie Hughes will chair an afternoon of talks, film, discussions and actions, followed by a presentation of the book Sligo Drawings, a guided tour of the exhibition led by Philippe Van Cauteran in conversation with Bart Lodewijks and the curators. The show is curated by Marie Louise Blaney and Danielle van Zuijlen. The unveiling of a new permanent chalk drawing in The Model atrium space will follow this at the official opening at 4.30pm.

For more information please visit: themodel.ie/exhibitions/symposium

Paper Making Day with Tunde Toth at KOZO Studio



6 February

KOZO Studio, Castlecomer Discovery Park, Co. Kilkenny

Learn to design and create beautiful, unique, decorated and textured handmade papers, and silk fibre papers using pure plant fibres, dried flowers, silk threads, raw silk, fabric dyes, herbs etc.

10.30am – 1pm: Traditional Hand Paper Making

2.30 – 5pm: Silk Fibre Paper Making

Fees: €35 per workshop or €65 for the full day – including all materials.

www.tundetoth.com

Calls for Submissions/Residencies

Percent for Art Opportunity in Cork: Call for Artists

Deadline for expressions of interest: 29 January, 12 noon

Scoil Nioclais, Frankfield, Cork City intend to commission a public art work/s under the Percent for Art Scheme funded by the Department of Education and Science on the occasion of its significant redesign and redevelopment by Ed Rafferty of Reddy Architecture.

It is intended that the commissioned art work/s will be site specific will be integrated into the redevelopment and or sited in and or around the building or grounds. The brief asks the artist to:

Reflect the ethos and ambition of the School; its commitment to education and knowledge sharing, respond to the redeveloped site and its redevelopment and reflect the meaningful interaction between staff and students

Budget: €32,000 inclusive of all artists' fees and costs including installation; VAT, insurance etc. The opportunity is open to all professional artists.

Commissioning Process: This is a two-stage open commission and will be managed by the National Sculpture Factory, Cork

Registration of Interest: To register your interest in the project you must email elma@nationalsculpturefactory.com. Once registered you will receive details of site visits, which will be on 10/11 February.

Please provide your name, address, and email and phone number and indicate if you can attend the proposed site visit (date TBC). No access will be permitted to the site unless registered and it is encouraged that you attend the briefing where possible.

A maximum of up to 3 artists will be short listed and invited to develop their proposal to Stage 2. Short listed artists will receive a fee of €500 to further develop their proposals. Competition

Jury: There will be a five member Jury Panel that will include two representatives of the School, the project architect, and two nominees of the National Sculptural Factory.

Site visits – Wednesday, 10 and Thursday 11th February at 11am (sharp).

Closing date for receipt of submissions is 12noon Thursday, 24 March (late submissions will not be accepted!). Please note all correspondence is through the National Sculpture Factory. Application(s) to be sent by to:

(Clearly marked Scoil Nioclais Commission) Elma O'Donovan, Administrator, The National Sculpture Factory, Albert Road, Cork.

All applications will be acknowledged

T: 00 353 (0) 21 4314 353

More information on the school: www.scoilnioclais.ie/

Molly Keane Creative Writing Award 2016



Waterford City & County Council's Arts Office is pleased to announce that it is currently accepting entries for the Molly Keane Creative Writing Award 2016.

The late writer lived, until her death in 1996, in Ardmore, Co. Waterford. Her first ten novels and four plays were published under the pseudonym M.J. Farrell. In 1981 'Good Behaviour' became a publishing sensation for which she was short listed for the prestigious Booker Prize. Annually since 1998, to celebrate this rich literary life, the Waterford Arts Office, by kind permission of the Keane family has invited entries for a previously unpublished short story to a maximum of 2000 words. There is no entry fee, no age limit and no restriction on the subject matter. A prize of €500 will be awarded to the winner at a special ceremony during the IMMRAMA Literary Festival in Lismore, Co. Waterford in June 2016.

**The closing date for receipt of entries is
12 noon on Friday 11th March 2016.**

**Full details and an entry form can be downloaded from
www.waterfordcouncil.ie or by contacting the Arts Office
on 058-41416.**



Awards / Bursaries / Schemes

Grants for professional performers announced:

dancers, choreographers, actors of dance, physical theatre, drama, musical theatre, contemporary circus artists, movement directors, physical theatre directors, multidisciplinary artists.

The grant covers accommodation and meals

during participation in the international arts residency in Tuscany, Italy.

The program is based at the territory of the **XII century Monastery** famous for being the place of seclusion for the **legendary Dante Alighieri**.

Residency dates:

May 25 - June 1, 2016

Arts Oasis is the annual international multidisciplinary residency for performing arts practitioners from all over the world, passionate and inspired by movement, dance and physical theatre, interested in practical research of contemporary performance practice together with colleagues from different countries.

The grant applications are considered on the basis of the candidates experience and qualifications. Priority is given to those artists who are able to show their potential to professional development and motivation to participate in contemporary performing arts processes at international level. The number of grants is limited.

For grant conditions and application guidelines, please view:

<http://www.artuniverse.org/grants>

Of Interest

Exhibition opening: Our Journey to Here



Our journey to here

A project developed and curated by artist
Pauline O'Connell in collaboration with
County Carlow Women's Network.

Kindly supported by Carlow County Council Arts Office,
County Carlow Women's Network and VISUAL

22nd January - 22nd February 2016

Invitation to exhibition presented at
VISUAL

Centre for Contemporary Art
Opening reception Friday 22nd January 7 - 9pm

County Carlow Women's Network

A convergence of time - mapping memories and place, exploring notions of 'home' and how cultural identity is portrayed - expressing a unique self-portrait of what it *means* to live in County Carlow.

Ailish Duke, Agnes Broderick, Helen Curtis, Olwyn Grogan, Helen Jakubowska, Anne Broderick, Margaret Baragry, Mary McDonnell, Cora Healy, Norma Crowe, Tina Delaney, Concessa Prendergast, Maggie Power, Mary Ryan, Anne Deere and Catherine Delaney

Further information;
VISUAL
Old Dublin Road, Carlow
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CCWN
+353 86 375 7137



Carlow Writers Group Creative Writing Workshops

The Carlow Writers' Cooperative presents

Creative Writing Workshops

Poetry: 5th March | Fiction: 9th April
Teach Dolmain, 9:30am - 4:30pm

€60 per workshop includes tea/coffee, light lunch

To book a place email coylederek@hotmail.com



Derek Coyle has published poems and reviews in the US, Britain and Ireland. He lectures in Carlow College in English Literature & Irish Studies.



Simon Lewis is an award-winning poet. His first collection of poems is to be published by Doire Press in 2016.



Rozz Lewis runs the well-known literary blog Rozz.ie. She is widely published in national and international journals.



Edel Horan has been published in many well-known journals including Wordlegs. She is an English Teacher based in Co. Meath.

SEÁN DUNNE

YOUNG POETS' AWARD 2016

Arts Office – Waterford City & County Council
Oifig Eala on Comhairle Cathrach & Contae Phort Lárige



Photograph courtesy of the Dunne Family.

The Arts Office, Waterford City & County Council is now accepting entries for this long term commemorative tribute to the memory of Waterford writer Seán Dunne.

This award continues to promote the work and vision of the poet, with emerging and aspiring young authors by recognizing their talents in the area of poetry.

ENTRY FORM 2016

Name: _____

Title of Poem: _____

Address: _____

Exact Word Count: _____

Number of Pages (excluding entry form): _____

This is an original work and has not been previously published, printed or placed in a competition, or submitted elsewhere for competition or publication. I agree to be bound by the rules and conditions of this award.

Date of Birth: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Telephone: _____

Please note that a Parent/Guardian/Teacher MUST countersign this form to validate the entry.

Email: _____

Parent/Guardian/Teacher: _____

School Attended: _____

*Closing date for receipt of entries is:
12 noon Wednesday 16th March 2016.*



24th June to 3rd July 2016, Callan, Co. Kilkenny

CALL FOR IDEAS

CRAFT, MUSIC, THEATRE, SPORT, ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE, FOOD, ARCHITECTURE,
SPOKEN WORD, VISUAL ARTS, LITERATURE, DESIGN, FILM, YOUTH AND FAMILY DAYS

Abhainn Rí Festival 2016 is currently welcoming ideas from individuals and groups that are from and around the town of Callan for next year's festival. We are interested in activities and events that are fun, intergenerational, activate overlooked spaces within the town and surrounds, introduce new ideas to, and celebrate the local community, promoting inclusion and attracting the active participation of those living in and visiting the area.

We are particularly interested in daytime, late afternoon and early evening events/activities that will welcome, entertain and feed those visiting for the festival. Your proposal could take the form of a workshop, a demonstration, a talk, a walk, a social gathering, a food experience, a music event, an exhibition, a performance, a sporting event. Your event can be ticketed or free. Your event could be aimed at a small or large audience.

Please let us know if you have an idea for:

- Holding an event in your business/premises
- Working with an existing local business, pub or shop to hold an event, exhibition or host a pop up café/restaurant etc.
- Having a daytime workshop/activity for children, teenagers, adults or families
- Providing a stall, entertainment or food for the Family Field Day

Deadline for Ideas:

Wednesday 17th February 2016 at 5.30pm

If you have an idea we'd love to hear from you!

Send ideas by email to info@abhainnrifestival.com

Please feel free to make contact before the deadline if you wish to discuss your idea with us.

Visit us:

website: <http://www.abhainnrifestival.com>

facebook: [Abhainn Ri Callan](#)

twitter: [@AbhainRiFestiv](#)

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