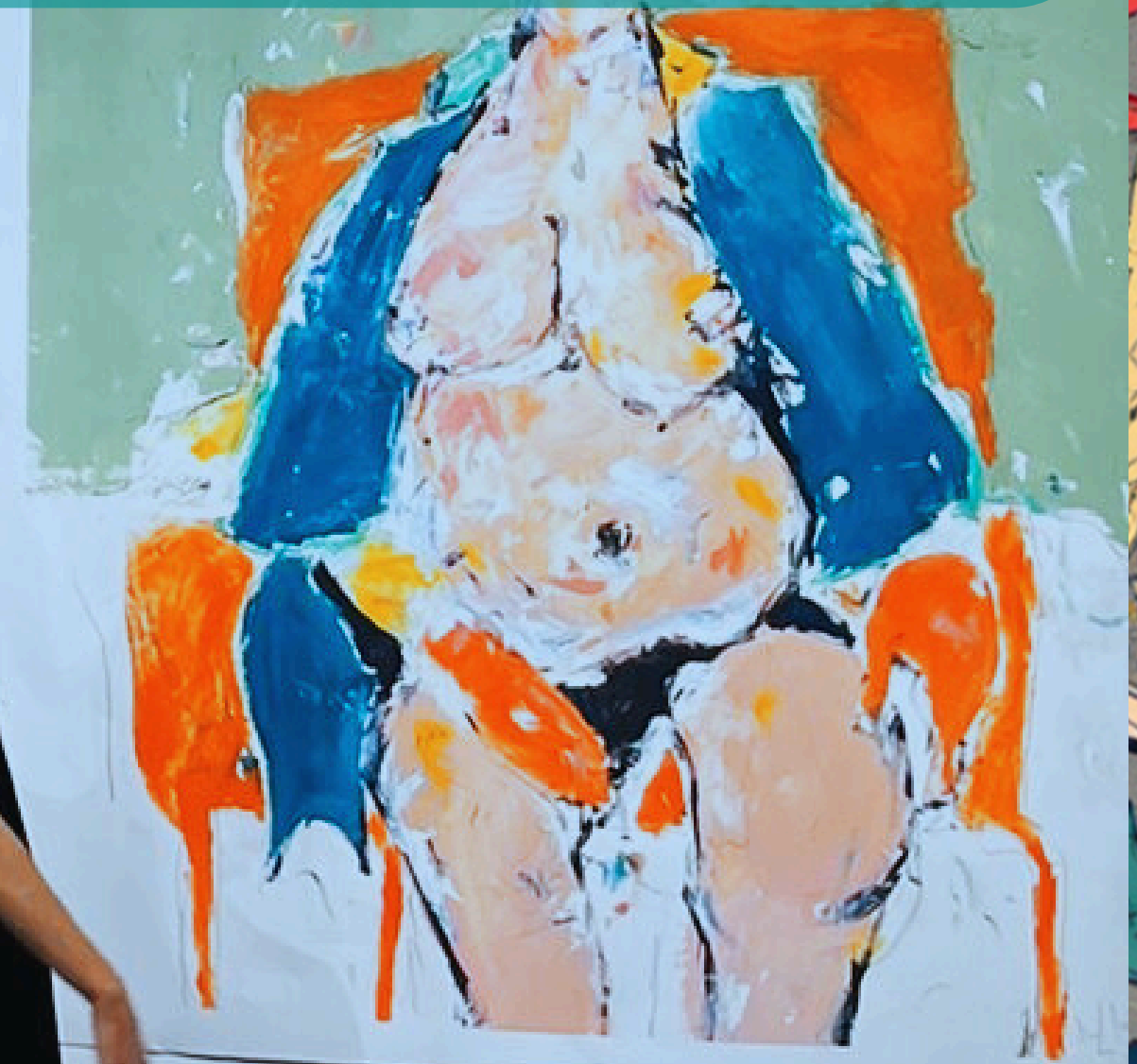


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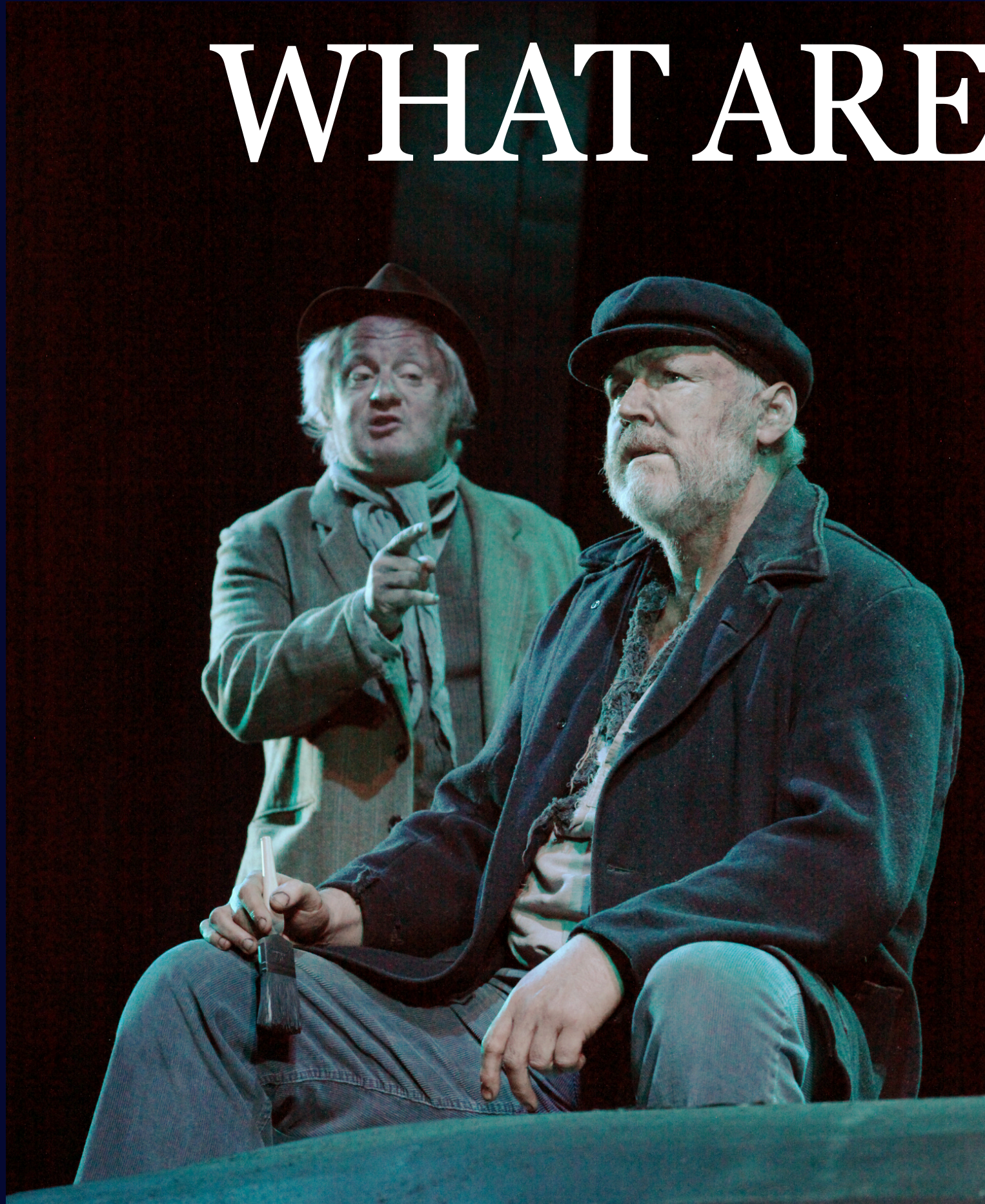
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LIKE SPORT, THE ARTS ARE
NOT JUST ENTERTAINMENT



WHAT ARE WE INVESTING IN?



Unifies Community

Improves Health: Boosts mental well-being and reduces stress.

Boosts Economy

Enhances Education

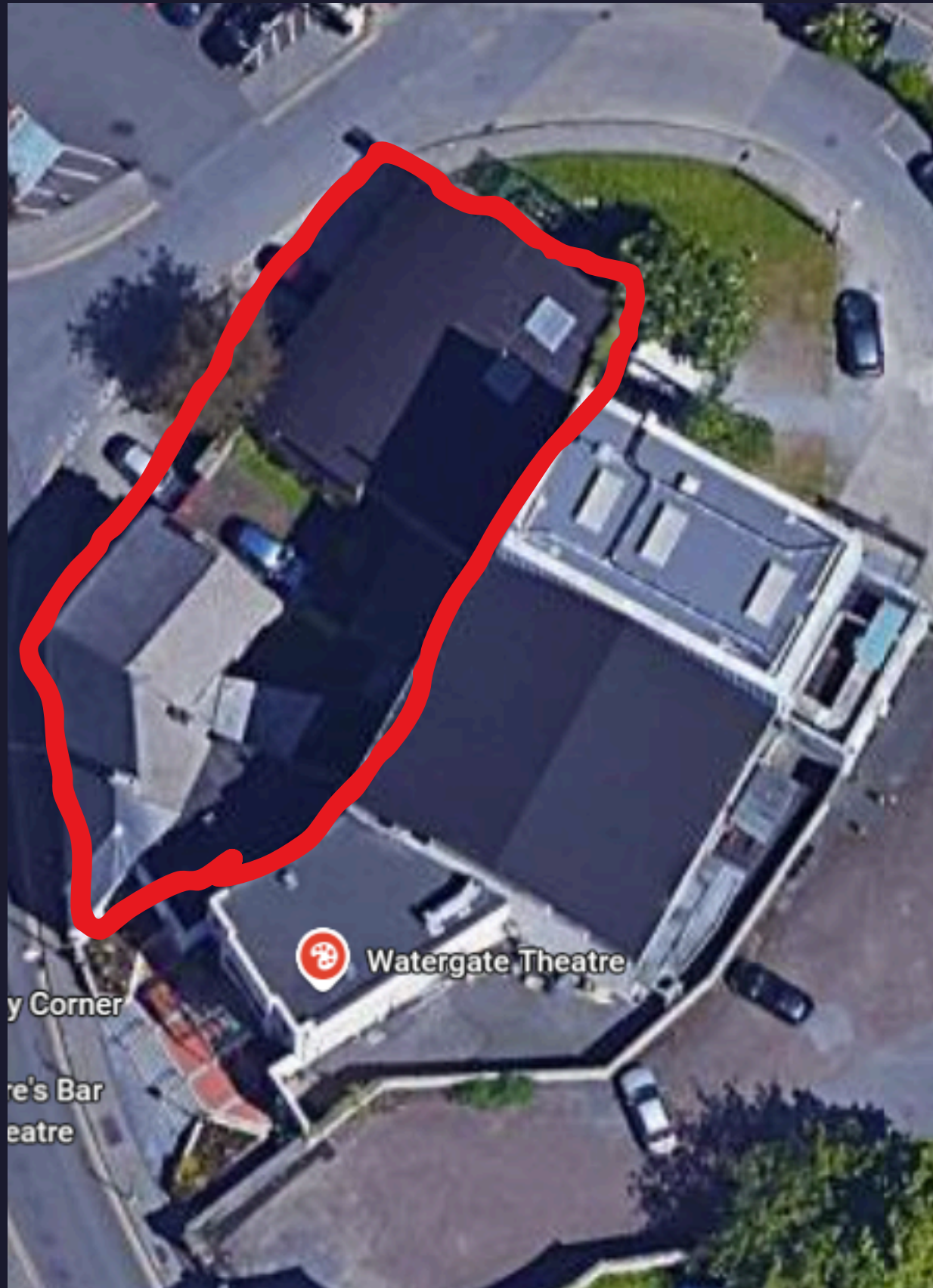
Catalyses Social Good

Creative Placemaking

SPACE



- The Watergate is growing while honouring its 30-year legacy. As a funded arts venue in Ireland, its role is shifting and evolving to meet diverse community and artistic needs.
- We provide arts experiences for children, support artists of all abilities and welcome the creativity and voices of diverse cultures.
- We are adapting to a changing world while remaining relevant locally and nationally.



We aim to inspire and engage our stakeholders to invest in the Watergate building

Improve accessibility

Provide development SPACE for artists

Maintain and grow partnerships and support

Complement our neighbourhood

Improve work space



- We host over 40,000 visitors annually.
- We collaborate with artists, community - including amateur - groups, professional theatre companies and schools.
- We work with artists to keep learning and growing.
- Our vision is to achieve universal access to the arts.



ARTISTS

Enrich Culture: Artists define and deepen societal culture.

Drive Economy: Support fuels the creative economy.

Ensure Diversity: Protects a wide range of voices and stories.

Spur Innovation: Art fosters new ways of thinking.

Boost Well-being: Provides crucial emotional connection and inspiration.



GROWTH



It is our highly skilled and committed team that makes this vision possible.

We will prioritise the development of our board, team, skills and policies to align with our ongoing commitment to community dialogue, responsiveness, and core values within this ever-evolving arts infrastructure.



Growth Mindset:

- **Embracing continuous learning and digital innovation to foster organisational and artistic development.**

Strategic Planning:

- **Implementing reflective growth models, enhancing financial planning, and conducting annual evaluations.**

Sustainability Focus:

- **Promoting environmental responsibility with sustainable practices and community-driven initiatives.**

INCLUSION



Universal Language

Diverse Voices

Accessible Participation

Shared Experience

As we launch our new Strategic Plan entitled Space Inclusion Growth, I am inspired by the extraordinary artists and community who fill this space with creativity and courage—together, we are building a Watergate that is open, inclusive, and ever-evolving at the heart of Kilkenny's cultural life.

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