

Arts Office Newsletter

OPPORTUNITIES

Newsletter Date

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1. TO BE IRISH AT CHRISTMAS 2021 - Event Registration Call Out

The To Be Irish @ Christmas 2021 initiative, which was launched by the Department of Foreign Affairs last year, will return from the **8 - 23 December 2021** and will present a festive programme geared at the Global Irish Diaspora and those who have a grá or are interested in Ireland and Irish culture around the world.

We are seeking event registrations for Christmas content and programmes that we can help promote via ToBeIrish.ie to the Irish community worldwide; this includes those who are planning to return home this Christmas as well as those who will be remaining abroad.

We are looking for both online and in-person content taking place nationwide to feature on ToBeIrish.ie.

Special points of interest:

- Bealtaine Call-Out
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The programme of events will be launched on the **1st of December** this year.

[REGISTER YOUR ONLINE OR IN-PERSON EVENT HERE](#)

Any queries please don't hesitate to contact us.

Siobhan Hickey at Siobhan@tobeirish.ie

To Be Irish Team

2. Tipperary Bealtaine 2022 Call Out; Renew and Grow

Each year in the month of May, Bealtaine is presented as an annual nationwide festival celebrating the arts and creativity as we age. The festival is an initiative of Age & Opportunity, the national organisation that promotes active and engaged living as we get older.

Tipperary County Council runs an extensive, interactive programme throughout the county and in recent times, has taken the lead in programming the festival with our partner Tipperary Libraries, inviting artists to become involved.

For the 2022 Bealtaine programme, we are taking a different approach through issuing an open call to Tipperary artists to become involved. This open call, with a deadline of 8th December, invites artists to submit a written proposal around themes of renewal and growth. The Covid-19 pandemic and in particular its impact on older people, has underlined the natural and human ecosystem of dependence and connection. Based on the experiences of the past 20 months and in light of the fact that 2022 marks a particularly significant year in our nation's history, we see opportunities for all of us to renew ourselves and the world around us, and to grow, personally and in strength of connection to each other.

We would like to hear from professional artists, from across all artforms. To date the Bealtaine Festival has comprised exhibitions, concerts, dance, storytelling, theatre productions, choral events, tours to and residencies in care settings, workshops and writer's events – the emphasis is on engaging older people as both makers and audiences for the arts. We have worked with care settings, Active Retired, resident's associations, libraries, book clubs, choirs, Men's Sheds, ICA etc. – any organisations in which older people are active or which work with older people. Artists with whom we have worked in the past are invited to engage with this process as a way of renewing and reinvigorating their own practice.

We are keen to engage with artists in a new way and we are open to new collaborations. Artists who wish to respond to this open call will be required to demonstrate that they have already engaged with older people in relation to the concept or idea and/or that they have identified a particular context or physical setting in which older people can actively participate in the proposed project.

The artists selected will work closely with the older people whether in presenting or creating work.

The funding available to each project will range from €1000 to €5000 depending on size, scale and reach of the proposal.

Health & Safety Information: All potential health and safety risks must be fully considered and addressed for all Bealtaine events. Events must take place in accordance with current government health guidelines as well as Tipperary Arts Office's own Health & Safety policies.

The application process is simple:

Tell us about yourself and your practice (attach CV)

Why are you interested in working with older people?

Where / in what setting do you propose to work? Have you already made contact with the setting and can you provide a letter of support from the setting confirming this?

What do you propose to do and how will you respond to the themes set out above?

When will your project commence? Bealtaine runs throughout the month of May, residencies may commence in advance of this date

Please provide a budget in support of your proposal

Note – if successful, you will be required to provide publicity materials to support the promotion of the project and your work by 25th February 2022. Cognisant of the fact that projects won't have commenced at that stage, we would ask for past samples of your work or work in which you are currently involved.

The assessment process will take place before 31st December 2021 and you will be informed of the outcome of this process also in that timeframe.

Deadline for Submissions is 12 noon Wednesday 8th December 2021

Enquiries and submissions to tipperaryfestivals2021@gmail.com

3. FRESH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL 28th March—2nd April 2022

Founded in 1997 as the Irish School's Video Competition, Fresh Film was originally a schools competition for secondary students. It has since grown into a year round organisation with a focus on national and international filmmakers spanning the primary and secondary age groups. 'Fresh International Film Festival' now includes 'Ireland's Young Filmmaker of the Year Awards', which constitute three sections – Junior (7-12 years) – Senior (12- 18 years) – The International (7-19 years). Each section is open to individual filmmakers, schools, youth and community groups.

Fresh Film runs programmes throughout the year under five headings; Fresh Events, Fresh Education, Fresh International, Fresh Production and Fresh International Film Festival.

Website: <https://freshfilm.ie>

Closing date for submissions to Ireland's Young Filmmaker of the Year 2022 is Friday 21st January 2022.



4. Checking In 2021: Reflection and Renewal in Arts & Health Practice – 30 November at 11am.

Checking In is a spin-off event of the annual Arts and Health: Check Up Check In and brings the arts and health community in Ireland together to reflect, to share practice and experiences, and to look forward in the particular context of the COVID-19 era.

Who is this event for? Healthcare professionals, arts practitioners and anyone interested in learning more about the exciting field of arts and health. Free to attend.

Further information here:

[artsandhealth.ie: http://www.artsandhealth.ie/2021/11/02/checking-in-2021-reflection-and-renewal-in-arts-health-practice/](http://www.artsandhealth.ie/2021/11/02/checking-in-2021-reflection-and-renewal-in-arts-health-practice/)

WHATwebsite: <http://www.waterfordhealingarts.com/checking-in-2021/>

Checking In:
Reflection & renewal in
arts + health practice

Tues 30 November 2021
11am - 1.15pm

Free online event.
Registration essential
See www.artsandhealth.ie

With:
Joe Brennan, Manuela Corbari,
Sarah Fuller, Justin Grounds &
Aoise Tutty Jackson,

Followed by **A Sensual Life**,
a creative writing workshop to
cherish your imagination &
your self, with **Lani O'Hanlon**

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5. Cruinniú na nÓg 2022

Open Call for Strategic Partners in the delivery of Cruinniú na nÓg 2022

The Creative Ireland Programme is seeking to further develop, diversify and expand the offering and audience for Cruinniú na nÓg in 2022.

Cruinniú na nÓg is Ireland's national day of free creative activity for children and young people up to 18 years of age. Over the past 3 years it has become a key date in Ireland's cultural calendar, providing opportunities for Ireland's 1.2 million children and young people, to be inquisitive and curious, to be inventive and innovative, and to fulfil a creative ambition or showcase an inner creative talent. In 2022, Cruinniú na nÓg will take place on Saturday 11th June.

The Creative Ireland Programme is therefore inviting applications from organisations who have a demonstrable capacity to deliver Cruinniú na nÓg audience scalability nationwide through the provision of free creative activities for children and young people. Specifically this call for applications seeks to;

- collaborate with strategic partners in the delivery of this national day of creativity for children and young people as a key cultural event in 2022;
- increase the choice of creative activity, across a wide genre, available to children and young people and in particular harder to reach young people;
- deliver creative engagement opportunities either in-person or online (in accordance with prevailing public health guidance) to a large-scale audience online and/or in multiple locations throughout the country; and
- foster collaborations and synergies between the activities of strategic partners and local authority Culture and Creativity Teams in relevant areas.
- we are open to projects that connect with the young diaspora abroad via our collaboration with Department of Foreign Affairs.

Applications can be submitted [here](#).

Closing date for receipt of online applications is 5pm Monday 29th November 2021.

Further information can be found [here](#).

A downloadable application form for informational purposes is available [here](#).

6. Public Art Commission for Irishtown village, County Mayo.

A banner for the Public Art Commission in Irishtown, Co. Mayo. The background is a blue-tinted photograph of a street scene in the village. The text is white and reads: "Public Art Commission", "Irishtown, Co. Mayo", "Application deadline 10th January 2022.", "Site visit Sat 27th November 2021.", and "For Artist's brief visit: www.mayo.ie/arts/public-art/current-projects".

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Comhairle Contae Mhaigh Eo
Mayo County Council



An Roinn Tithíochta,
Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht
Department of Housing,
Local Government and Heritage

Funded through the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage under the Per Cent for Art Scheme.

Mayo County Council in collaboration with Irishtown Community Council invite artist(s) to submit proposals for a public art commission for the community of Irishtown in County Mayo. This commission is an exciting opportunity for an artist(s) to work in a historic village with a strong community spirit. Proposals are welcome from both individuals and collaborative artistic teams. The budget for this commission is €14,000. This commission is part of Mayo County Council's Public Art Programme, funded by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage under the Per Cent for Art Scheme. The purpose of the percent for art scheme is to commission artists to create new work. Proposed outcomes can be ephemeral, temporary or semi-permanent in a nature.

The village of Irishtown (Baile Gaelach) is located in the south of county Mayo along the R328 regional road close to the Galway and Roscommon borders. The area has a rich history associated with Michael Davitt, the Land League and the famine. There is an active community who have been instrumental in developing the local amenities and activities in the village.

Artist Brief and application process:

Please read the Artists Brief for full details of this Public Art Commission including the application process. This is a two-stage open competition.

www.mayo.ie/en-IE/Your-Council/Services/Arts/Public-Art/Current-Projects/Public-Art-Commission-Irishtown

There will be a site visit facilitated by Mayo Arts Service and the Community Council to do a walkabout of the village on **Saturday the 27th November 2021**. Site visit will be in accordance with current Covid-19 guidelines. Booking is required.

For further information or to book for the site visit contact:

Aoife O'Toole, A/ Public Art Coordinator, Mayo County Council, Email: aotoole@mayococo.ie, Telephone: 094 9064376.

Deadline for queries is Friday 7th January 2022. Closing date for receipt of application Monday 10th January 2022.

EVENTS

1. Middle Country Cafe & Gallery exhibitions

Cloughjordan artist Ger Whelan exhibits at Middle Country Café Cloughjordan from Thursday 21st October to 5th December.

Cafe & Gallery opening times: 9am to 5pm - Wednesday to Sunday.

'Trees in the Landscape & Safe Home'

Ger Whelan is a local artist who has witnessed the ebbs and flows of Cloughjordan his whole life. He has been exploring the presence of solitary trees in the landscape and solitary buildings in the woodlands. While assumed dead or abandoned, they retain a presence and purpose in the environment.



2. “Boat Light” exhibition by Nenagh artist Josephine Geaney at Nenagh Arts Centre this November




“Boat Light” by artist Josephine Geaney showing at Nenagh Arts Centre this November.

“Boat Light” These paintings were created to be uplifting and a celebration of our resilience having come through the last two years of covid. Josephine would like the paintings to lift one’s spirit which is expressed through her use of colour, texture and freedom of application. The dominant colours in the paintings are orange, green and blue. These colours symbolize strength, resilience, joy, positivity, hope, peace and calm, while the boat represents survival and new beginnings.

Visit <http://www.josephinegeaneyartist.com> for further information.

3. Cahir Arts is proud to announce it's 3rd Exhibition

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You are cordially invited to the opening of
Ceramics #1 at
Cahir Arts
A group show composed of a selection of
Irish Ceramics

Opening night Fri 19th of Nov @ 6-8pm
Runs from 17th Nov - 24th Dec

To celebrate the third month of activity Cahir Arts invited 2 established ceramic artists, Jane Jermyn and Eileen Singleton to curate a selection of Irish ceramic artists.

Many different artistic processes are approached : Hand painted, luster, obvara, nerikomi, sagger fired... are among the techniques employed by the ceramicists.

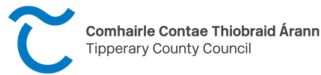
The exhibition will run until Christmas, offering visitors a wide variety of pieces for sale..

Artists featured are : Susan Herlihy, Jane Jermyn, Eileen Singleton, Cora Cummins, Dawn West, Claire Molloy, Laura McNamara, Amanda Murphy, Iona Crawford Topp, Mandy Cheng, The bridge Pottery, Katharina Treml, Laura Matikatie, Kathleen Dobbyn , Paula Jozwiak

Cahir Arts is

1. **A gallery** hosting exhibitions by contemporary Irish artists on a 5-7wk basis.
 2. A **design shop** for Irish Makers & designers: wholesale sale/ return 35% com
 3. **Coworking artistic** spaces Workstations, kiln potter's wheel ... resident artists can sell their production with a commission of 25%.
- A place to host classes or organise pop up shops. To host workshops/classes, create or sell your creations. Contact Siobhan 0892036096

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Do you have information to include?

The aim of our newsletter is to highlight the work of Tipperary County Council Arts Office, work by Tipperary artists / groups throughout the County and opportunities / events of interest to our subscribers. To submit information for inclusion in our Newsletters:

Please send us your information to artsoffice@tipperarycoco.ie with the text 'next arts bulletin' in the subject line. Submit your text only information under the following headings:

Title entry: (10 words or less) Short title to grab people's attention

Main entry: (500 words max.) The main content of your submission, make sure to include dates, location, cost (if any)

Contact info: (100 words max.) A contact name, phone number, email are essential. Please send your information as text only, no PDF's etc as these items can't be included.



www.whatsonintipp.ie

Is an online festival calendar to highlight and promote Festivals and Events across Tipperary which has been developed by Tipperary County Council.

In addition to being a promotional tool for events taking place throughout Tipperary, this online festival calendar will also facilitate organisers in planning event dates by providing an accessible reference point for as many of the County's Cultural, Community and Sporting events as possible, acting as a "clash" calendar for organisers when setting dates for festivals and events.

The calendar is easy to use and organisers can register their events on the website. Cultural, Community and Sporting events are categorised under a range of headings and users may search by date or type of event. Categories include: Arts; Children's; Family; Comedy; Exhibitions; Fairs; Shows; Markets; Festival; Film; Heritage; Historical; Lectures; Readings; Music; Theatre, Sports & Outdoors.