

OFFALY ARTS ALERT

Official Newsletter of Offaly County Council Arts Office



Arts in Action - September October News & Events

Welcome to Issue Nine of Offaly Arts Alert.

The purpose of Offaly Arts Alert is to provide a listing of arts events and opportunities in the County. Offaly Arts Office is a service of Offaly County Council and aims to broaden and deepen access to the Arts in Offaly.

Based in Áras an Chontae, Tullamore, Co. Offaly, you can contact the Arts Office team by emailing arts@offalycoco.ie or calling +353 57 935 7400 during office hours; Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm. Visit our website www.offaly.ie and social media @[OffalyArts](#) for further information.

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IRELAND'S HIDDEN GEM

Visit Offaly

Please see the website www.visitoffaly.ie for a comprehensive list of events taking place in Offaly soon. Here you will find all the up to date information on activities and events for the summer season.

Birr Theatre & Arts Centre



This Sept "AT WAR WITH MERCY" - a new play based on a collaborative work between the late Canadian songwriter and poet Leonard Cohen and the writers John MacKenna and Angela Keogh. A musical and dramatic exploration of war, peace and mercy through Leonard Cohen's songs and the stories developed by Keogh and MacKenna from Cohen's characters and writings.

With singer Katie Jacques; singer/guitarist Shane Sullivan; percussionist Dave Day and actors Angela Keogh and John MacKenna, the show is a life-affirming journey that echoes with hope, warmth, redemption, and peace. In the ninety-minute show, the music, characters and words reflect on the brutality of war and the healing power of peace and mercy.

Saturday, 28 September

Tickets €18/16 (+booking fee)

Door Open 7.30pm

Visit www.birrtheatre.com for a full listings of events taking place in September and October.

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What's On?

Esker Arts

There's something for everyone at Esker Arts. For a full listing of events, please see www.eskerarts.ie

In Dreams: Arno Kramer + Cecilia Bullo
7th September – 26th October
Official Opening: Saturday 7th September, 3pm
Runs until Saturday 26th October. Admission free.

Contempo Quartet
Tuesday 10th September, 8pm
Ireland's longest established string quartet, the ConTempo Quartet, was founded in Budapest in 1995 and has been based in Ireland since 2003 as Galway Music Residency's Ensemble in Residence.

Tickets: €18/€16 (+booking fee)
Supported by the National String Quartet Foundation and its major funders, the Arts Council and RTÉ Lyric FM.
Music: <https://eskerarts-tickets.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173648135>

John Francis Flynn
Friday 27th September, 8pm.
The unconventional use of instruments jagged arrangements often teeters on the edge of disharmony, but it gives the work a magnetism by drawing you into its curious orbit of experimental folk.

Tickets: €20 (+ booking fee)
Early booking advised.
Link: <https://eskerarts-tickets.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173647856>



Häxan with live score by Nick Carlisle

Saturday 26th October, 8pm
Dir: Benjamin Christensen, Sweden,
1922, 106 mins

Tickets: €18/€16 (+booking fee)
Link: <https://eskerarts-tickets.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173649303>

Creative Places Edenderry is a community based project to connect, create and develop artistic and cultural activities to enhance the community engagement and spirit within Edenderry. Activities are advertised on the [Creative Places Edenderry Facebook](#) and Instagram Pages. See www.creativeplacesedenderry.ie for further information.



ActiviTEA: Monday's, 11am - 1pm at The Cabin

Sing-a-long with Angi: Monday's, 2pm - 3pm at The Parish Centre

Visual Arts Group for and by people who identify as disabled: Tuesday's, 11am - 12.30pm at The Parish Centre

Creative Movement: Wednesday's, 10am - 11.30am at The Parish Centre

Health and Wellbeing dance workshops for people who identify as disabled: Tuesday the 10th and 24th of September

Community Forum: Tuesday 10th of September, 2pm - 4pm, Edenderry Library

The poster has a pink and purple gradient background with white starburst graphics. It features the Creative Places Edenderry logo in the top left and the Creative Lives logo in the top right. The text is centered and reads: 'Visual Arts Project for and by people who identify as disabled with Eleanor Farrelly Tuesdays, 11am - 12.30pm The Parish Centre, Edenderry'. Below this, it says 'Please register by emailing: info@creativeplacesedenderry.ie'. At the bottom, there are logos for Offaly County Council, Creative Places Cumas Ceantar, and the Arts Council Education funding the arts.

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Creative Lives

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"The Wings of Edenderry" is a remarkable community sculpture created by local Glass Artist Michelle O'Donnell. Awarded by Creative Places Edenderry. This project is a celebration of the shared history, pride, and diversity of the Edenderry community. Its purpose is to empower and inspire, reminding us of our collective past while looking toward a bright, unified future.

Exhibition open from 28th August at Edenderry Library

Culture Night Offaly 2024

ONE NIGHT FOR ALL

Friday 20th September 2024

In its fourteenth year, Offaly Culture Night provides communities, artists and venues the opportunity to connect through a diverse range of FREE events such as music, dance, visual arts, literature and more.

Explore the events in your area and create your unique cultural experience. Whether you're a lifelong arts enthusiast or a curious newcomers, Culture Night offers something for everyone.

Visit

<https://www.offaly.ie/culture-night-offaly/>

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Hullabaloo Children Arts Festival 2024



For Hullabaloo Children's Art Festival 2024, Birr Theatre and Art Centre, Esker Arts and Creative Places Edenderry are working together to deliver an exciting programme of events in Birr, Clara, Tullamore and Edenderry.

The festival will be taking place between 30th October and 2nd Nov.

For a full programme of listing contact Birr Theatre Arts Centre or Esker Arts

www.birrtheatre.com
www.eskerarts.ie

LOCAL NEWS

OFFLINE Film Festival

OFFline Film Festival
9th-13th October 2024
Birr, Co. Offaly

OFFline Film Festival returns for its 15th edition from 9th - 13th of October, bringing an exciting programme of events for film lovers in Birr and Offaly. You can enjoy the always-popular Fright Night, Made in the Midlands, high-quality feature films, live-action and animation short films, workshops, networking events and more, for all ages, this October. The full programme will be announced in September.
www.offlinefilmfestival.com



Urban Oasis Art Gallery in Tullamore

The Female Gaze a joint exhibition by Ann Mitchell and Enrique Larrazo are artists whose work is both captivating and meaningful. Ann's art reflects human resilience and grace, using vibrant colors and rich textures, while Enrique's pieces explore identity and perception with striking and thought-provoking imagery. Together, their art offers a powerful reflection on the human experience, blending beauty, strength, and deep emotion. Discover their unique perspectives and be inspired by their incredible creations.

The exhibition starts on Friday 6th of September at 6.30pm

URBAN OASIS

THE FEMALE



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CHOCOLATE BROWN URBANOASIS 44 CHURCH ST, TULLAMORE, CO. OFFALY

NATIONAL NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES



Arts and Disability Connect Scheme Funding

Arts and Disability Connect includes Mentoring, Training, New Work, and Research and Reflection awards for individual artists with disabilities.

Arts and Disability Connect Round Two

Opens: Monday 12 August

Closes: Tuesday 8 October, 4pm

The Arts and Disability Connect scheme is designed to support artists with disabilities to be ambitious, to develop their practice and to connect with arts organisations and arts professionals in the Republic of Ireland.

Application forms, guidelines and other resources can be found below. If you have questions about the scheme, please email connect@adiarts.ie.

Sculpture Commission



Kerry County Council, has issued a request for tender (RFT) to artists and creatives to design, create and deliver a permanent sculpture to commemorate the role of women in Kerry during the Revolutionary Period.

Details of the sculpture commission and submission format required are available on etenders.gov.ie or email arts@kerrycoco.ie.

The indicative, estimated budget is €90,000 inclusive of VAT and excluding site and civil installation works.

Deadline for applications is 4pm Friday 6th of September 2024.

Artist in the Community Scheme

**AIC Scheme 2024 (Round Two) open for applications
Deadline: 30 September**

The Artist in the Community (AIC) Scheme 2024 (Round Two) is now open for applications. This includes the following awards:

- Research and Development Award (without mentoring)
- Research and Development Award (with Mentoring)
- Recent Graduate Research and Development Award (with Mentoring)
- Project Realisation Award

Information Sessions (online) on 27 August or **4 September**, 2-4pm
The information session is about answering any questions you might have about making an application to the Scheme. It's also about sharing experience of developing and delivering a collaborative project through the Scheme. In the information sessions, Tatiana Dos Santos, AIC Scheme Programme and Development Support will be joined by a previous AIC Scheme recipient, who will share their experience.
Visit <https://www.artscouncil.ie/Funds/Artist-in-the-Community/> for further information

ARTS COUNCIL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



SEE WWW.ARTSCOUNCIL.IE/FUNDING FOR AVAILABLE AWARDS WITH VARIOUS STRANDS AND CLOSING DATES

Strategic Funding 2025	25 June	05 September
Arts Centres Funding 2025	09 July	19 September
Partnership Funding 2025	23 July	03 October
Visual Arts Workspace Scheme 2025	13 August	12 September
Theatre Project Award 2025, Round 2 (Strands 1 & 2 only)	15 October	14 November
Festivals Investment Scheme 2025, Round 2	22 October	21 November
Co-funding Award 2025	05 November	05 December
Touring of Work 2025, Round 2	10 December	23 January (2025)
Touring of Work - Advanced Planning 2026	10 December	23 January (2025)

Other Funding Opportunities

THE FOLLOWING LINK WILL BRING YOU TO AN OVERVIEW BY VISUAL ARTISTS IRELAND ON SUITABLE FUNDING - INFORMATION IS APPLICABLE TO OTHER MEDIUMS ALSO.

- WWW.VISUALARTISTS.IE
- WWW.CULTUREIRELAND.IE



JOBS & OPPORTUNITIES

The following sites contain a broad range of roles currently advertised in the Arts.

SEE:

- WWW.VISUALARTISTS.IE
- WWW.THEATREFORUM.IE/JOBS
- WWW.ARTSMANAGEMENT.IE/JOBS
- WWW.CREATE-IRELAND.IE/CATEGORY/OPPORTUNITIES
- WWW.ARTCONNECT.COM/OPPORTUNITIES
- WWW.IRISHWRITERSCENTRE.IE/JOB-OPPORTUNITIES

Artist Wellbeing

Screen-Ireland Professional Development

Cert in Continuing Professional Development in Neurodiversity (Screen Industry):

This is a Level 6, fully online, university-accredited, part-time course and a continuing professional development certificate. This course is fully funded by Screen Ireland. This course is the first university of its kind globally. Once registered, you will receive the fully confirmed timetable and all the course details, click on the link for details

<https://www.ucc.ie/en/ace-ccpdns/>

<https://www.screenireland.ie/courses/certificate-in-continuing-professional-development-in-neurodiversity-for-the-screen-industry>

Continuing Professional Development in Wellbeing Coordination for the Arts and Creative Sector

This is a Level 6, fully online, university-accredited, part-time 12 week course and a continuing professional development certificate. This course is funded by Safe to Create, there are limited places. This course is the first university of its kind globally. Once registered, you will receive the fully confirmed timetable and all the course details, click on the link for details:

<https://www.screenireland.ie/courses/certificate-in-continuing-professional-development-in-wellbeing-coordination-in-the-arts-creative-sectors>



Minding Creative Minds is an organisation established to offer a free 24/7 wellbeing & support programme for the Irish Creative Sector.

For further information on workshops and events visit www.mindingcreativeminds.ie

The poster for the Health and Wellbeing Dance Workshop features a light blue background with colorful abstract shapes on the sides. At the top, there are logos for 'creative PLACES EDENDERRY', 'Healthy Offaly', and 'Creative Lives'. The main text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, there are logos for 'Comhairle Chontae Uíbh Fhailí Offaly County Council' and 'arts council funding the arts'.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING DANCE WORKSHOP!

With Charmaine McBride
For adults who identify as disabled
11.30am - 12.30pm
10th and 24th of September
Retox Dance Studio, Edenderry

Please register by emailing:
info@creativeplacesedenderry.ie



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