

North Tipperary Arts Newsletter

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2010

January, February & March

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Crossbones

Crossbones is a music project funded and facilitated by North Tipperary Arts Office, and led by Deirdre O'Leary with Martin Tourish and Stephen Kelly. The main project which takes place from January to March is being offered to the players of the Tipperary Youth Ensemble and students from Coláiste Pobal Roscrea.

The aim of the project is to facilitate creative workshops, in which all musicians/students take part in composing and arranging a new piece of music. This will be followed by a collaborative performance in Roscrea in March, featuring the Tipperary Youth Ensemble, a group of 24 thoroughly inspired second level students, Deirdre O'Leary on clarinet & bass clarinet, Martin Tourish on accordion and Stephen Kelly on percussion. Tadhg Maher well known Roscrea based musician is the local liaison musician on the project.

This project has come about from proposals submitted in response to an open call to musicians based locally to propose music development projects in response to the North Tipperary Strategic Plan for Music 2009-2013. Deirdre O'Leary is the initiating musician on this project and is based in CloughJordan, Co. Tipperary. Deirdre has been facilitating music workshops around Ireland since 1998. She has directed and worked on creative education and performance projects for the National Concert Hall and Music Network, involving primary school children, secondary school students, adult groups, choirs, youth orchestras, retired people and children in hospitals. As a clarinet and bass clarinet player, Deirdre plays funky contemporary music with the Crash Ensemble; classical with Prey Trio, Irish Chamber Orchestra, and Wexford Opera Orchestra; and Klezmer and Latin American music with Woodroad duo.

For further information please contact the Arts Office at 067 - 44860.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL GRANT SCHEMES ARE SUBJECT TO FUNDING IN 2010 - Further information will be available from the Arts Office at the end of January 2010.

Support to Artists 2010

Taraíocht Do Ealaíontóirí

North Tipperary County Council invites applications under the following schemes to support the professional development of artists in all artforms.

- Support scheme for Professional North Tipperary Artists
 - Bursary to develop work at the Tyrone Guthrie Centre Artists Studios.
 - Bursary to attend the Blas International Summer School
 - Bursary to attend the Drama League of Ireland Summer school
 - Bursary to attend the Dingle Writers Course
- Artists must be living in or originally from the North Tipperary administrative area to be eligible to apply. Please refer to guidelines for individual schemes. Closing Date for all Schemes: 12th March 2010

Full details and guidelines from the Arts Office Tel: 067- 44860, E-mail: artsoffice@northtippoco.ie, Website: www.tipperarynorth.ie/artis

Artists in Primary Schools Scheme 2010

Sceim Ealaíontoirí sna bunscoileanna

North Tipperary County Council invites submissions for its Artists in Primary Schools Scheme, which is open to all primary schools in North Tipperary.

The aim of the scheme is to give pupils in schools all over the county the opportunity to work with a professional artist on a once-off project to be planned between the artist and the school. The scheme is open to artists from any discipline including visual arts and crafts, music, dance, drama, literature, film,

architecture and photography. The residency should be for a minimum period of six weeks and a maximum period of three months. The contact hours should be negotiated between the artist and the school.

The deadline for submissions is: Friday 12th February 2010. Application guidelines are available from The Arts Office, telephone: 067 - 44860

Arts Act Grants 2009

Acht Deontais Ealaín 2010

North Tipperary County Council invites applications for assistance under the 2003 Arts Act. This grant scheme is intended to assist organisations in stimulating public interest in the arts, promoting the knowledge, appreciation and practice of the arts or in improving standards in the arts in the county.

The "arts" means any creative or interpretative expression (whether traditional or contemporary) in whatever form, and includes, in particular, visual arts, theatre, literature, music, dance, opera, film, circus and architecture, and includes any medium when used for those purposes.

Applications should be made on the official application form and should comply with the guidelines set out by North Tipperary County Council.

Guidelines and official application forms are available from: The Arts Office or from the website: www.tipperarynorth.ie in January 2010.

The closing date for applications for events or projects, which will take place in 2010, is Friday 12th March at 4p.m. Late applications will not be accepted.

Youth Theatre performances

January sees the return of the Fracture Youth Theatre to The Source Arts Centre, Thurles for their best show yet. Fracture Youth Theatre presents "Pranked" by Ciaran Grey.

A new town, new school and new friends, hopefully. That's what faces Fran when she arrives in Kildeglin, not knowing anybody and hoping to fit in. Her wish seems to have come true when she immediately finds herself 'in' with the likeable and popular Phil, who eases her into the social scene. But doubts about her new friend begin to creep in when Debra, an annoying but harmless eejit, comes into the picture. In figuring out the difference between practical jokes and mental cruelty, Fran is forced to decide where her loyalties lie and maybe risk sacrificing her new found friendships. Dates: 15th & 16th January 2010. Time: 7.00pm. Venue: The Source Arts Centre, Thurles. Booking: 0504 - 90204 or www.thesourceartscentre.ie

February sees the return of Nenagh Youth Theatre to the stage who will perform "Dying to See You", a devised piece of work Directed by Joanne Quinn & Aoife Carry.

"I googled for hours to try and get the dress that Lilly Allen wore to the Brits last year, went to extreme measures to have it made only to have gone off it and her as soon as the dress was made." 'Positive that Cheryl will text me later I prepare what I'm going to text her back. Oh she's so sound.' 'Simon is only doing that cos he doesn't like her, I know, definitely!' Dying to meet your face celeb? Do anything for Edward Cullen to know you? 2009 saw pop culture reach new levels of insanity or magnificence, you decide!

Come see what 2010 has in store with Nenagh Youth Theatre's promenade production of 'Dying to see you'. Date: 5th February 2010. Venue: The Civic Offices, Limerick Road, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary. Time: 7.00pm. Further information from the Arts Office, tel: 067 - 44860

Spleodar Nenagh Community Arts Festival 2010

In 2010, Spleodar will celebrate its 10th Birthday. Plans are already underway to mark this special occasion and make the 2010 Festival bigger and better than ever. If you would like to join the festival team or volunteer for the festival, please contact the Arts Office, tel: 067 - 44860 to express your interest in making the 2010 festival a unique birthday event



Switch 2009

Switch 2009 was presented by North Tipperary County Council's Arts Office in collaboration with locally based artists. With the co-operation of shop owners in Nenagh and Roscrea, switch used the light of the back-projected image and the onset of the dark evenings to present an exciting visual art initiative which provided an accessible alternative viewing platform for visual art.

Featuring works by artists from Ireland, USA, Germany, Scotland, Finland and Turkey, *switch* was an event with an international focus, showing a range of approaches to working with lens based and digital media.

If you missed it, don't worry you can still get access to the works through the project website or if you would like to know more about *switch* and receive a documentation pack of 2009, please email switch.information@gmail.com or Tel: 067-44860.

www.s-w-i-t-c-h.org



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events

January 2010

Nenagh Library: 4th - 29th Jan

Jacqueline Levey and Joanne Alexander will exhibit a range of their works including oil on canvas and mixed media.
Tel: 067 - 34404

Roscrea Library: 4th - 31st Jan

Roscrea Library will host an exhibition of historical photographs of Roscrea Town.
Tel: 0505 - 22032

The Source Library & Arts Centre Exhibition Space: until 23rd Jan

The Source's ever popular Christmas exhibition continues until the 23rd January. Selected artists work will be displayed and work is for sale. Come and see the wealth of talent on display, in an annual celebration of seasonal creativity.
The Source Arts Centre, tel: 0504 - 90340

The Source Arts Centre Events:

Events taking place at the Source during the month of January include:
The First Day of the Rest of Your Life, The Zeroes, Fish Tank, The Homecoming, Pranked, Goodbye, Lenin, Brian Kennedy, CoisCeim Dance Theatre's Double Bill, Love Letters and Ardal O'Hanlon.
The Source Box Office: 0504 - 90204 or www.thesourceartscentre.ie

Rackett Hall, Roscrea: On-going

"To Be or To Have" - A Sculpture Trail by artist Werner Groll will be on exhibition through out Rackett Hall Hotel in Roscrea.
Werner Groll, e-mail: wernergroll@hotmail.com

Almond Tree Gallery: On-going

Resident Artist, Mary Dillon will be showing recent work along with gallery artists.
Gallery opening hours: Thursday & Friday: 11.00am - 5.00pm and Saturday 11.00am - 4.00pm
Mary Dillon, Tel: 0505 - 22820, 087 - 2224260,
e-mail: info@almondreegallery.ie
www.almondreegallery.ie

February 2010

Nenagh Heritage Centre: 8th February - 12th March

The Melbawn Artists will be exhibiting a collection of their works including oils, acrylics & watercolours.
Tel: 067 - 33850, www.tipperarynorth.ie/heritagemuseum.
Opening Hours: Monday - Friday 9:30am - 5:00pm

The Source Arts Centre, Exhibition Space:

Multimedia Students from Tipperary Institute and Tipperary Studies bring you, 'Saints & Scholars Revisted', a unique virtual heritage experience, curated by Rachel Toomey.
Thurles Library is delighted to display this exciting new media exhibition with a selection of digital photography and virtual 3d Models.
The Source Arts Centre, Tel: 0504 - 90340

Roscrea Library: 1st - 28th Feb

An exhibition of mixed media work by Joe Malone will be on exhibition in Roscrea Library during the month of February.
Tel: 0505- 22032

Nenagh Library: 1st - 28th February

Mary Flanagan and Mary Redfern will exhibit a range of mixed work during the month of February.
Tel: 067 - 34404

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The Source Arts Centre Events:

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Thurles Drama Group presents:

The Aristocrats @ The Source Arts Centre 22nd - 27th February
This play, set in the crumbling home of District Justice O'Donnell, concentrates on the traditional aristocratic Catholic family. Three sisters and their 'peculiar' brother are home for a family wedding. An unexpected tragedy disturbs arrangements. Exploration of family and other relationships highlight the impact of unreal expectation in a home where they were 'different' from the villagers. The opening night will be a benefit night in aid of Jack & Jill Foundation with tickets costing €20.
Box Office, The Source Arts Centre, tel: 0504 - 90204
www.sourceartscentre.ie .

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The Source Arts Centre: 5th March – 24th April

The Source has commissioned Offaly based artist Rowena Keaveny to create a piece, live and straight onto the wall of the Gallery. Inspired by her belief that 'Personal is Political' this new work has developed from an exploration of protest. It examines how, in the current global, national and local context, citizens are faced with circumstances in which they are forced to find their voices and verbalise objections to the threats eroding the autonomy of their daily lives.

Using a variety of media Rowena will examine what people are saying and why they might be saying it. The new work will be painted in full view of visitors to the Gallery over a three week period and will be exhibited alongside other works by the artist.

Box Office: 0504 – 90204 or www.sourceartscentre.ie.

Nenagh Heritage Centre: March 15th – April 16th

Brendan Lynch, a native of Tipperary, will launch his new book "Yesterday we were in America". This book is about one of the most significant aviation feats of all time - Alcock and Brown's first non-stop flight across the Atlantic from St John's, Newfoundland to Connemara, Ireland on June 15-16, 1919. Following the launch, Brendan will display a collection books, photographs and images signed by people such as Brendan Behan, Seamus Heaney and Bob Tisdall, to name but a few.

Tel: 067 – 33850, www.tipperarynorth.ie/heritagemuseum.

Opening Hours: Monday - Friday 9:30am - 5:00pm

Nenagh Library: 1st – 31st March

Cloughjordan Art Group will hold a group exhibition in Nenagh Library during the month of March.

Tel: 067 – 34404

Almond Tree Gallery: On-going

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e-mail: info@almondtreegallery.ie or visit: www.almondtreegallery.ie

Roscrea Library: 1st – 31st March

Roscrea Library will host an exhibition of entries received for the Tidy Towns Poster Competition will be on exhibition during the month of March.

Tel: 0505- 22032

The Source Arts Centre Events:

Events taking place during the month of March include: Bright Star, Dickie Rock, The Haunting of Helena Blunden, Tales from the Golden Age, Live American Wrestling, Pray For Us Sinners, Lydia Lynne, Kings, Ariadne Daskalakis and Trio Vintage, Life After Love and Gerry 'Banjo' O'Connor.

The Source Box Office: 0504 – 90204 or www.sourceartscentre.ie.

Nenagh Choral Society: 20th - 27th March, VEC School Hall Anything Goes

This year Nenagh Choral Society will present Anything Goes, in the VEC School Hall, from Saturday 20th March to Saturday 27th 2010. This hilarious and witty fast paced musical with Songs from Cole Porter is guaranteed to be yet another success, showcasing local talent with Paddy Rohan as Moon Facemartin (A criminal - of sorts); Erica Flanagan (An Evangelical Singer) Kevin Prout (The love lorn "Billy Crocker") Emily Sheary (The love in Billy's life "Ms. Hope harcourt") amongst others, taking a cruise on-board the SS America.

Directed by Greg Browne with Musical Director Laura Kearney; Check local press for details closer to the production for Box Office Opening times and cost per ticket. Book Early To Avoid Disappointment. Bookings can be made at DK Travel (087-3122725, or 067-37964).

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Nenagh Writers Group:

Meetings of the Nenagh Writers Group take place in the Hibernian Inn, Nenagh at 8.30pm every fortnight for anyone who has an interest in creative writing.

Mike Roycroft. Tel: 067 – 32441 or www.mobhaile.ie/nenaghwriters

The Rambling House:

The Rambling House promotes the revival of our rich heritage in poetry, recitation, monologues, music, song and dance. Meetings take place on the last Friday of every month in the Pastoral Centre in Nenagh. All are welcome!

Donie Ryan, Tel: 086 – 1755128

Thurles Camera Club:

Meetings of the Thurles Camera Club take place every Wednesday night in Hayes Hotel, Thurles at 8.30pm. New members are welcome.

John O'Loughlin. Tel: 0504 – 28712 or www.mobhaile.ie/thurlescamerclub

Nenagh District Flower & Garden Club:

Meetings of Nenagh District Flower & Garden Club take place on the last Wednesday of every month at 8.00pm in the Abbey Court Hotel, Nenagh.

Silvermines Singers Circle:

Meetings of the Silvermines Singers Circle take place on the last Friday of every month in Hickeys Pub, Silvermines.

Jim Quirke, Tel: 067 – 25403

Killoran Art Group:

Killoran (Portroe) Art Group meets each Wednesday for painting classes at Killoran Community Hall under tutor Jose Croft. Morning and afternoon sessions with all grades of talent from beginners to the more advanced catered for.

Margaret Tuohy at 067-23013

information & opportunities

Arts Council Award Deadlines:

For further information on funding, please contact the Arts Council, www.artscouncil.ie e-mail: reception@artscouncil.ie or telephone: 01 – 61802000

Faite Ireland - Festivals and Events Initiative 2010:

National Festivals Programme- Funding

Applications for funding under the National Festivals Programme are now being accepted. Application Forms and Guidelines are available at www.failteireland.ie/festivals. All applications must be made online. The closing date for receipt of applications is midnight on Monday 18th January 2010.

Regional Festivals Programme

Applications for funding under the Regional Festivals Programme will be invited in January 2010. Prospective applicants should refer to www.failteireland.ie/festivals for information on eligibility and evaluation criteria. The Initiative is intended to assist those festivals and events which effectively showcase Ireland's culture and heritage, to attract domestic and international tourists to the host locality.

Further details from: www.failteireland.ie/festivals.

Belfast City Council Artist Panel, Call for Artists

Belfast City Council has a number of upcoming opportunities for artists to work on public art projects across Belfast. These will be on a variety of scales and budgets and may be temporary or permanent in nature.

Interested artists are invited to submit their CV, contact details, images of previous work (memory stick, slides or print format) and a short letter of interest or artist's statement outlining relevant experience. Selected artists' details will stay on file until a future call is advertised and individuals will be asked to submit proposals for specific projects as they arise.

Please contact the Tourism, Culture and Arts Unit for selection and project criteria by phone or email. Submissions should be posted or delivered (NOT emailed) to: Tourism, Culture and Arts Unit, Cecil Ward Building, 4-10 Linenhall Street, Belfast BT2 8BP, Tel: 0044 (0)2890 918734 or e-mail: culture@belfastcity.gov.uk.

Deadline for applications: 15 January 2010

Arts & Healing Centre, Ballinacloogh, Nenagh:

Morning and evening art classes are now available at the Art & Healing Centre in Ballinacloogh, Nenagh. The centre also offers a number of painting workshops, Reiki Treatments and initiations and dancing with the rainbow weekend workshops. through out the year. Further information from: Marie O'Sullivan, tel: 0504 – 52895 or 086 – 2418814 or visit: www.artandhealingcentre.ie.

Art Classes for Adults, Students & Children at the Almond Tree Gallery, Roscrea:

The Almond Tree Gallery will continue to run Art Classes for Children, Teenagers and adults throughout the Spring. Check out the News/Events section of www.almondtreegallery.ie for further information.

Second Confessions

Second Confessions - a new three act comedy written by Paddy Heffernan is now available for performance in agreement with the playwright. For further information, contact: 067 – 38161.

"Fragments"

"Fragments" – A new two act play written by Tom Nestor is now available for performance in agreement with the playwright. For further information, please contact Tom at: tomnestor.ennis@eircom.net

New Actor Training Course Available From Actor Training Ireland:

Actor Training Ireland is a newly formed acting studio set up by Andy Crook, Paul Keenan and Helena Walsh all of whom were core tutors of the Professional Actor Training Programme at Trinity College.

This course is aimed at those people who are interested in taking their passion for acting a step further and developing themselves as rounded, able and creative actors.

Further information is available from: www.actortrainingireland.ie or tel: 087 0572866.

"The Definitive Collection of the Music of Paddy O'Brien" - A new Publication By Eileen O'Brien:

Paddy O'Brien has left a wonderful legacy of music to the Irish tradition. His compositions have been embraced by musicians and have integrated with the existing traditional repertoire.

Paddy was also instrumental in the revival of traditional tunes through his playing, arrangements and settings of old traditional melodies. He was also one of the most inspirational accordion players of his generation.

His ground-breaking recordings of the late 1940's and early 1950's totally altered the course of two-row accordion playing.

These recordings established him as a role model for subsequent generations of accordionists. This collection delivers the complete collection of Paddy's original compositions. Also included in the collection are a significant number of traditional arrangements and settings by Paddy O'Brien. The publication gives an insight into Paddy's musical journey through life and the O'Brien family musical tradition. Paddy's B/C style of accordion playing as well as his compositional style are discussed and analysed in detail.

This book can be purchased at McQuaid's Traditional Music Shop, Nenagh and also at Custy's Music Shop in Ennis.

Laban Guild Dance Course:

Kildare County Council Arts Service will host the next Laban Guild Dance Leaders Course to take place in the Republic of Ireland. The Laban Guild is internationally renowned for its expertise in community dance training. This course is accredited by the Laban Guild and may be of interest to dance artists, community arts facilitators or teachers. This is a part time course and is designed to help you adapt your professional skills to teaching dance and will teach you how to lead creative dance sessions in a variety of contexts. A Practical Information Day will take place on the 20th March 2010.

Further information from: Nicola Dunne, Kildare County Council Arts Service, Tel: 045 448312 or e-mail: nmdunne@kildarecoco.ie or visit: www.kildare.ie/artsservice

New Piece of Public Art

Herakles and the Stympalian Birds a new piece of art by one of Ireland's foremost artists John Kindness was recently unveiled at The Source Arts Centre & Library in Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

This new work by John Kindness is influenced by the architectural materials found in the award winning building designed by McCullough Mulvin architects and resonates with the cultural use of the building through the subject matter explored in the work.

Derived from the 6th Century B.C. Greek Vase painting depicting Herakles and the Stympalian Birds, the imagery used is painted on zinc panels using enamels, oil and gold leaf.

Greek Mythology informs the subject matter of the work, specifically one of the Greek hero's (Herakles) labours in which he was asked to destroy a dangerous flock of water birds. Herakles is composed from the detritus of a fly-tipping site; discarded DIY materials, fake wood grain, rococco carpet and ormolu. He is the denizen of book-free domestic bliss.

Herakles and the Stympalian Birds is presented

in two parts, the main work is located in The Source Library and explores methods of writing up to the 20th Century with the "Postscript" piece of the work located in The Centres' foyer relating to 21st century communication methods such as texting and e-mail using extracts from a locally relevant text by Thurles born writer Dennis O'Driscoll; the phone texts are extracts from the King James Bible translated into 'textspeak'.

Commissioned by The Source Arts Centre in partnership with Tipperary Libraries under the Per Cent for Art Scheme this magnificent permanent artwork is an important addition to the County's public art collection and can be viewed by all users of The Source.



Arts Service - Seirbhís Ealaíne

North Tipperary County Council's Arts Service works towards the continuing development of the arts in the county by providing the following services:

Developmental Arts Programme Advice & Information
Arts Policy Development Grants & Schemes Arts Newsletter

For inclusion on the Arts Newsletter mailing list please contact the arts office. All those involved in the arts in the county are welcome to contribute information in relation to events or projects taking place in the county.

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