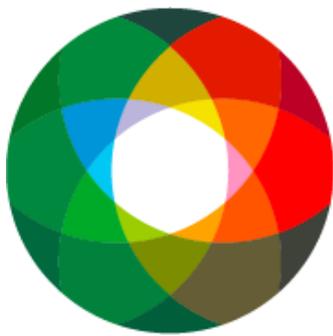


# AUTUMN 2023 MEATH ARTS OFFICE NEWSLETTER



# CULTURE NIGHT

**CULTURE NIGHT 2023 – ONE NIGHT FOR ALL**

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**

Culture Night returns across Ireland on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September and invites everyone to join in, discover and celebrate culture in all its forms. Supported by Local Authority Arts Offices in partnership with the Arts Council, Culture Night sees venues all over the country open their doors, with free events programmed from 4pm till late. Culture Night in County Meath will be celebrated with a bumper programme of events across the county in art centres, community centres, galleries, libraries, artists' studios, cafes, and public spaces. All events are free, but a small number of events need to be booked in advance. For more detailed information on the events and for booking details visit [www.culturenight.ie/meath](http://www.culturenight.ie/meath)

## BALLIVOR

### Harvest Sculpture with Anita Reynolds

WHEN: 7.00pm to 9.30pm

WHERE: Anitas' Studio, Shanco, Ballivor, Co. Meath. C15HRN8. BOOKING REQUIRED

## DULEEK

### Designer/sculptor Shane Holland Open Studio Event

WHEN: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

WHERE: Shane Holland Design Workshops, Unit 11C, Duleek Business Park, Duleek, A92H7DV

## OLDCASTLE

### Oíche Cheoil Thraidisiúnta agus Amhráin leis an ngrúpa ceoil An Cupán Tae agus amhránaí Maria Nic Cumhaill

When: 7pm – 8.30pm

Where: Leabharlann Sheanchaisleáin Oldcastle Library A82 N125

## KELLS

### Nature's Way - Meath Arts Group Exhibition Launch

WHEN: 6.30pm to 8pm

WHERE: Toradh Gallery 2, Kells Courthouse Tourism & Cultural Hub, Headfort Road, Kells, A82 RY62

### The Story of Me a multi cultural celebration of the arts

WHEN: 7.30pm to 10.30pm

WHERE: O'Connors' Function Room, Farrell St. Kells, A82 R7N3

### Méabh McKenna, Harpist

WHEN: 4.00pm to 5.00pm

WHERE: The BOOK MARkeT, Market Street, Kells, A82 YR84

### The Paddy Smith Blues Band

WHEN: 9.00pm to 10.30pm

WHERE: O'Rorkes Back Bar, Castle Street, Kells, A82 E0X9

### Samhain Festival of Food and Culture launch 2023

WHEN: 7.30pm to 8.45pm

WHERE: Red Chapel, Kells, Co. Meath A82 D2K0

## NAVAN

### A Night of Music with the Irish National Foresters Band

WHEN: 6.30pm to 8.30pm

WHERE: Outside Supermacs, Kennedy Road, Navan, Co. Meath, C15 P7WR

### Moving Words - Storytelling and contemporary dance with Selma Daniel

WHEN: 5pm - 5:45pm

WHERE: Solstice Arts Centre, Studio, Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath, C15KWP1 BOOKING REQUIRED

### Carol O'Connor - Solo Exhibition

WHEN: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

WHERE: Solstice Arts Centre, Café Wall, Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath, C15KWP1

### Quiet Music Ensemble

WHEN: 8pm - 9:30pm

WHERE: Solstice Arts Centre, Auditorium, Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath, C15KWP1 BOOKING REQUIRED

## DUNSHAUGHLIN

### Concert in the Park

WHEN: 7.30pm to 9.00pm

WHERE: The Park, Knock, Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath

### Pop Up Craft Tent for Kids

WHEN: 6.00pm to 7.45pm

WHERE: Dunshaughlin GAA, Knock, Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath, A85 CK22

## SUMMERHILL

### An Evening Of Music & Song

WHEN: 8.00pm to 10.00pm

WHERE: Summerhill Community Centre, Summerhill, Co. Meath, Ireland, A83 NR25 BOOKING REQUIRED

For further details on Meath Culture Night events please visit [www.culturenight.ie](http://www.culturenight.ie)

# Meath Arts Group Exhibition – Nature’s Way

## Toradh Gallery 2 Kells

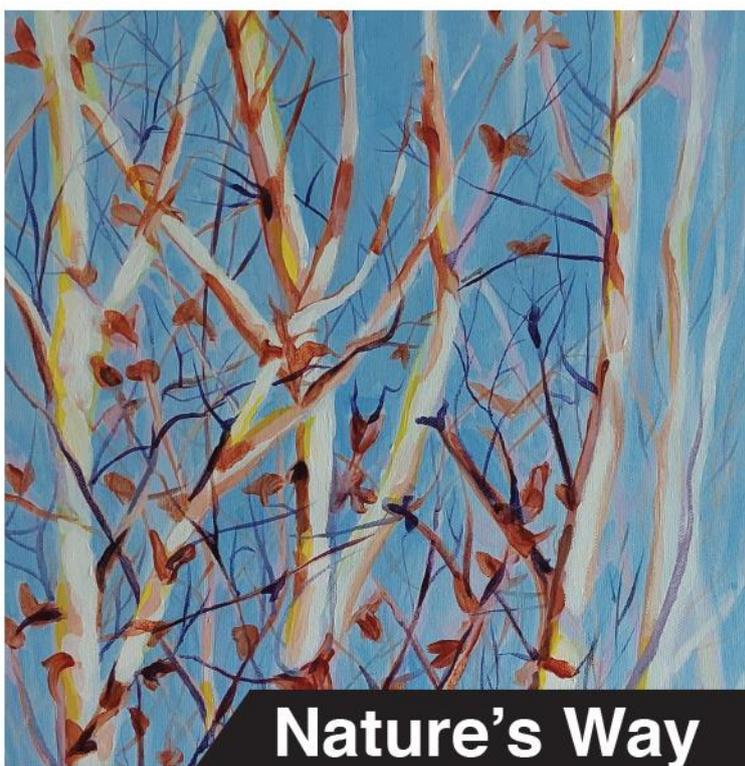
This exhibition is one of a series of exhibitions by Meath Arts group on the theme of Nature's Way. The artwork in this exhibition is created from the artist experiences of how being in and observing nature can be represented in so many different disciplines, media and styles. The exhibition features new original paintings, glasswork and ceramics from realism to abstract expressionism. You can enjoy how each artist has a unique take on the theme.

Meath Arts Group is a cultural, non-political, not-for-profit organisation founded in 2006 by Sharon Maher, Kieran Darby, Martha Fennessy and Jim O'Brien seeking to support working visual artists and to promote full recognition of the value of their works. These visual artists have joined together for the benefit of shared resources, education and marketing.

The association has an active membership of painters, sculptors, potters, photographers and other visual artists who wish to share and explore the opportunities of developing their art.

The purposes of Meath Arts Group are to organize, promote, encourage, assist, and develop the interests of visual artists in Meath by organising exhibitions and workshops.

Nature’s Way will be on exhibit in the **Toradh Gallery 2, Kells Courthouse, Tourism & Cultural Hub** from **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 6.30pm (launch night) until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023.**



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# Nature’s Way

An exhibition of work by Meath Arts Group



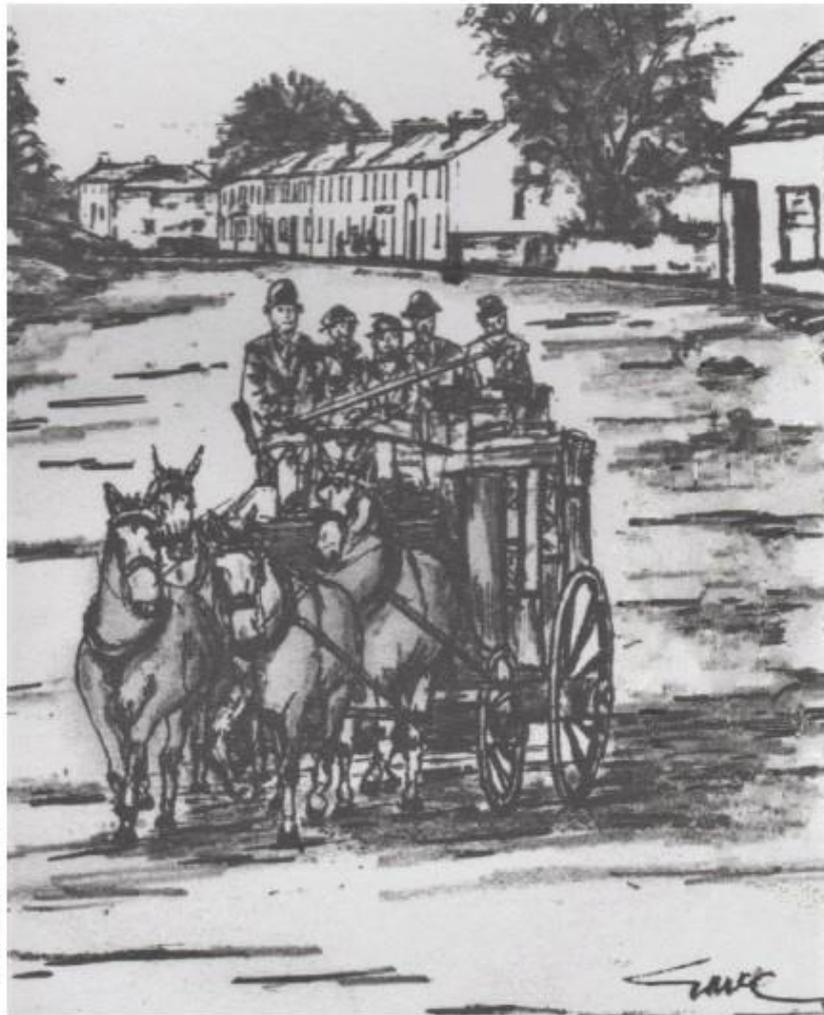
Sept 22nd – Dec 8th 2023

# Ashbourne Historical Society Exhibition – Toradh Gallery Ashbourne

Meath Arts Office and the Toradh Gallery are delighted to present The Ashbourne Story in partnership with the Ashbourne Historical Society (AHS). The AHS have put a considerable amount of work into compiling this exhibition which was due to be presented as part of the Ashbourne 2020 celebrations but unfortunately had to be postponed due to the Covid Pandemic. Ashbourne 2020 celebrated the signing of the lease in 1820 for the land on which Frederick Bourne would build a small village with several coaching inns, a small hotel, a toll house and other buildings. He called the village Ashbourne. **The exhibition runs from 15th August 2023 – 8th January 2024**

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Image by Gerry McCabe



## The Ashbourne Story

**An exhibition celebrating Ashbourne 1820 - 2020**

Toradh Gallery, Ashbourne Library & Cultural Centre

## New Theatre in Trim - Swift Cultural Centre



Fiona Lawless, Chief Executive of Meath County Council wishes to advise that Solstice Arts Centre will be undertaking the management duties of the new Theatre at Trim on behalf of the Council.

The theatre in Trim will operate under its own name, **Swift Cultural Centre**, reflecting both the importance of the acclaimed author of “Gulliver Travels” and Trim resident, Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), as well as and the significance of the swift to Trim’s wildlife and urban ecosystem.

**Swift Cultural Centre** will collaborate and share meeting rooms and cultural spaces with Trim Library to provide a diverse and enriching community learning, engagement and performance programme for the public. Community use by the talented local artists, societies and community groups remain the primary and core value of the space.

Trim Library and Swift Cultural Centre was recently opened by Minister Heather Humphreys. The €9m development includes refurbishment of the former St. Patrick’s Chapel for use as part of the Centre and will provide additional facilities for the library including new reception, study and multipurpose rooms and support services. A performance space with seating capacity for up to 235 people, including stage, scene dock meeting/changing rooms and rehearsal spaces provides a resource for a number of active local drama, music and theatre groups. For further details contact Solstice Arts Centre [www.solsticeartscentre.ie](http://www.solsticeartscentre.ie)

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Introduction to Music in Healthcare & Community Settings - Co. Waterford



Dive into the magic of music in healthcare and community settings with our immersive 5-day Level 1 course! Designed for recently graduated musicians, and Professional Musicians alike, this experience will deepen your understanding of creating meaningful connections through music.

**When:** November 6th - 10th, 2023 | 9:30 am - 4 pm

**Where:** Réalta Centre for Arts + Health, University Hospital Waterford

Full details and information on course fees available at

<https://www.facebook.com/events/260743890067022?ref=newsfeed>

For additional information visit: [www.musicandhealthireland.ie](http://www.musicandhealthireland.ie)

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Margaret of New Orleans - Children's Book Commission Call for Writer/Illustrator Teams



To celebrate the life of Margaret of New Orleans and the strong connections between Leitrim and New Orleans and to support the develop of new literary works for children, Leitrim County Council invites applications from writer/illustrator partnerships to develop a new work that tells the story of 'Margaret of New Orleans'. This will be an illustrated book aimed at children aged 5-7 in the style of historical fiction or historical biography. The commissioned work will be published by Leitrim County Council.

Closing Date for Expressions of Interest is **Midnight, Sunday 1st October 2023**

**Full details available at [Children's Book commission - Call for Writer/Illustrator Teams - Leitrim County Council \(leitrimcoco.ie\)](https://www.leitrimcoco.ie/childrens-book-commission-call-for-writer-illustrator-teams)**

### Westport Public Art Project 2023/24 – Co. Mayo



The Westport/Belmullet Municipal District Office of Mayo County Council has recently received funding to both upgrade Westport skatepark and address the recent increase of graffiti in the town.

The Council is therefore seeking tender applications from suitable qualified artists to enhance three areas in the town with community murals/street art.

The artist commission offered is between €2,000 and €7,000 per project.

**Deadline:** Tenders must be submitted in PDF form to [nangley@mayococo.ie](mailto:nangley@mayococo.ie) by **no later than 5pm 9<sup>th</sup> October 2023**.

Full Details available here – **[Westport Public Art Project 2023/24 \(mayo.ie\)](https://www.mayo.ie)**

# The Arts Council Funding Opportunities



The Arts Council are currently accepting applications for funding under the below schemes. Further information available at <https://www.artscouncil.ie/available-funding/>

## **Writers in Schools Scheme**

Operated by Poetry Ireland this scheme is co-funded by the Arts Council but administered by Poetry Ireland.

The Writers in Schools Scheme part-funds visits by writers and storytellers to schools throughout the island of Ireland.

For more information, please refer to the education section of the Poetry Ireland website, [www.poetryireland.ie](http://www.poetryireland.ie) or <https://www.artscouncil.ie/funds/Writers-in-schools-scheme/>

## **Artist in the Community Scheme**

This scheme is funded by the Arts Council and managed by Create, the national development agency for collaborative arts. Please note that this award may be subject to different conditions and criteria than the awards directly administered by the Arts Council.

Maximum awarded: €15,000

Closing date: 17:00, Monday 25 September 2023

Further details available at <https://www.artscouncil.ie/Funds/Artist-in-the-Community/>

## **Beyond Borders**

Beyond Borders stimulates and strengthens cross-border collaborations between music creators, performers and presenters. It supports the creation, touring and promotion of innovative and high-quality new music across all genres and encourages engagement with audiences across England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland through multiple performances and digital activity.

Submission deadline: 18:00 Monday 25 September 2023

Further details available at <https://www.artscouncil.ie/Funds/Beyond-Borders/>

## **Arts and Disability Connect**

Arts and Disability Connect (ADC) is a scheme open to artists with disabilities working in any artform.

Submission deadline: 16:00 Tuesday 10 October 2023

Further details available at <https://www.artscouncil.ie/Funds/Arts-and-Disability-Connect/>