

# Arts Office Newsletter

Newsletter Date

**August 2025**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**For  
Culture Night!**

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Culture Night 2025 will take place on

**Friday 19th September**

Culture Night invites the public to revel in culture, creativity and the arts. This nationwide event, made possible through the continued support of the Arts Council and Local Authorities across Ireland, open doors late into the evening and offers FREE access to an exciting range of creative and cultural events and activities.

Preparations are underway so be sure to Save the Date!

More information to follow.



## **Creative Places Tipperary Town**

### **Call Out**

Creative Places Tipperary Town, in collaboration with TUS and Youth Work Ireland Tipperary is inviting former ATARI workers and community members to take part in a unique intergenerational project that will reassemble and celebrate the legacy of ATARI's iconic arcade machines.

#### **Tuesday 5th August—Ensemble Session:**

Were you part of the team behind some of the most iconic video games of the 1980s and 1990s? Join a special hands-on workshop led by artist and lecturer Paul Keating.

#### **Wednesday 6th August—Story-sharing Day:**

Share your memories of ATARI—the people you knew, the work you did, or what ATARI meant to the community. These stories will help a new public artwork inspired by Tipperary's industrial history.

#### **Contact:**

Email: [creativeplaces@youthworktipperary.ie](mailto:creativeplaces@youthworktipperary.ie)

Phone 087 6188075, Steph Saidha– Creative Places Project Assistant

Visit: Creative Places Tipperary, 1 Bridge Street, Town Lot, Tipperary Town, E34 F652

Please note: Creative Places Tipperary is run by a small part-time team. They are available in person or by phone/message on Wednesday and Thursdays only, from 11am to 5pm



## **Open Call**

### **Bursaries for Tipperary Dance Festival's Masterclass Programme**

**1—4 October, 2025**

Applications are now open to apply for this years Masterclass Programme, taking place from 1—4 October, 2025 in Thurles, Co Tipperary.

This is a unique opportunity to train with leading dance artists and choreographers in the context of one of Ireland's most sought-after dance festivals. Bursaries are available to support participation by dance artists based in Ireland and internationally.

This year's programme features masterclasses with Maurizio Giunti of Virgilio Sieni company, Ian Garside of peso producciones, Mufutau Yusuf, and Fabian Riess with Tasha Hess-Neustadt, among others.

Applications close **Saturday 23rd August, 2025 at 18:00**

**For more information click [Here](#)**

## **National Heritage Week**

**16th to 24th August, 2025**

This year's theme, "Exploring Our Foundations", invites us to reflect on the legacies of our past and examine the foundations upon which our communities, cultures, and identities are built. Organised by the Heritage Council, the theme encourages event organisers and participants alike to dig deeper — literally and metaphorically — into the layers that shape our understanding of place, tradition, and change.

From ancient settlements and early industries, to the evolution of traditions, beliefs, and ideas, "Exploring Our Foundations" provides a framework to engage with the many threads of our natural, built, and cultural heritage. It offers an opportunity to uncover stories of place and people, fostering a deeper connection with the past and how it continues to inform the present.

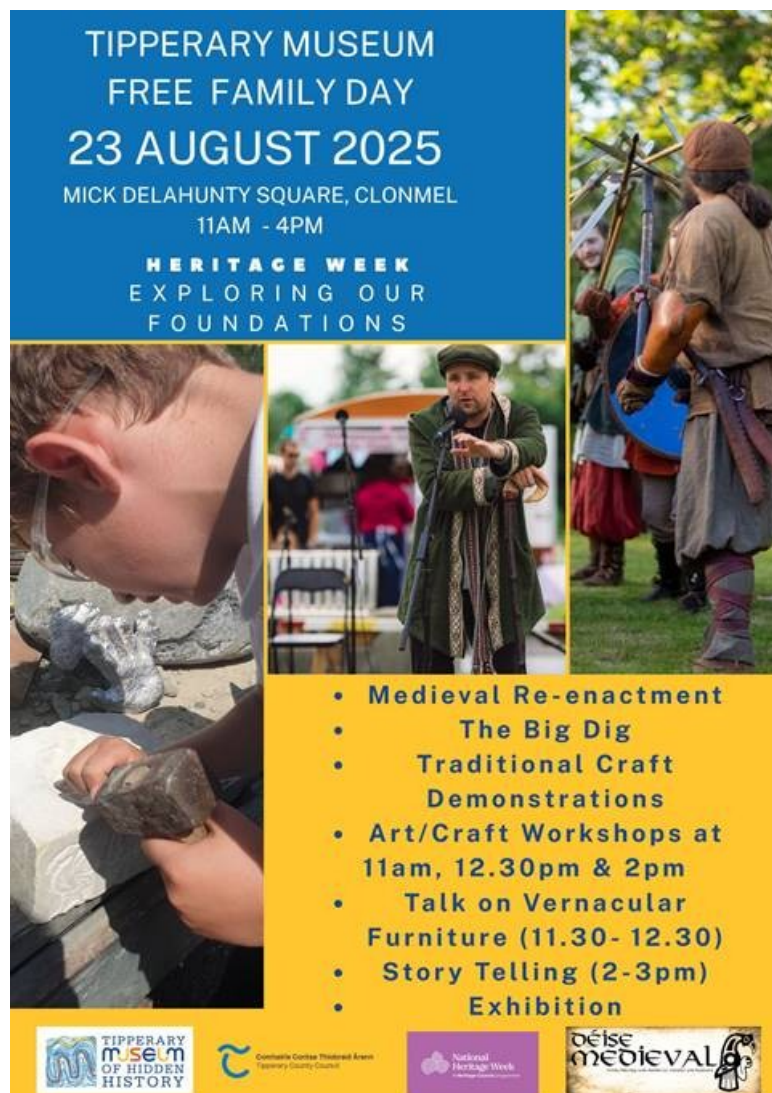
Explore Tipperary's culture and heritage

Keep an eye on [www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings](http://www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings) with new events being added all the time.

You can filter your search by county, date or event type.

Lots to choose from and much of it is free

## Upcoming Events at Tipperary Museum of Hidden History on 23rd August for Heritage Week



**TIPPERARY MUSEUM**  
**FREE FAMILY DAY**  
**23 AUGUST 2025**  
MICK DELAHUNTY SQUARE, CLONMEL  
11AM - 4PM

**HERITAGE WEEK**  
EXPLORING OUR  
FOUNDATIONS

- Medieval Re-enactment
- The Big Dig
- Traditional Craft Demonstrations
- Art/Craft Workshops at 11am, 12.30pm & 2pm
- Talk on Vernacular Furniture (11.30- 12.30)
- Story Telling (2-3pm)
- Exhibition

**TIPPERARY MUSEUM OF HIDDEN HISTORY**  
**Comhairle Corraí Thoirneall Árainn**  
**Tipperary County Council**  
**National Heritage Week**  
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The car park at Mick Delahunty Square in front of the Museum will be transformed into a medieval settlement to celebrate Clonmel's origins as a medieval walled town. There will be an opportunity for visitors to interact with the living history specialists, to ask questions and handle artefacts associated with war, food, medicine and crafts. There will also be traditional craft demonstrations in wood/stone carving, farrier, spinning and straw craft. There will even be battle training. The School of Irish Archaeology who ran our recent summer camps will be there with the Big Dig for all to take part in.

The event will run from 11am to 4pm and is a drop in style event, with free admission

Click the link below to get your tickets

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1503645898359?aff=oddttdtcreator>



**Irish Dresser Project**

Talk by Folklorist **Michael Fortune**

**Clonmel Library**

**Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**11:30 am**

**Free Admission.**  
Booking via eventbrite or Clonmel Library

**052 616 6130**  
[clonmellibrary@tipperarycoco.ie](mailto:clonmellibrary@tipperarycoco.ie)

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Tipperary County Council  
Library Service

TIPPERARY MUSEUM OF HIDDEN HISTORY

A talk on Traditional Irish Dressers will be held in Clonmel Library at 11.30am

Admission is free but spaces are limited so booking can be made on

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1503744031879?aff=oddtcreator>

Tommy Lanigan aka Balor the storyteller will entertain children from 2.00—3.00pm in Clonmel Library

Admission is free but spaces are limited

Click the link below to reserve your place

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1503776268299?aff=oddtcreator>



TIPPERARY MUSEUM OF HIDDEN HISTORY

**Exploring Our Foundations**  
**Art/Craft Workshop**

**Family workshop**

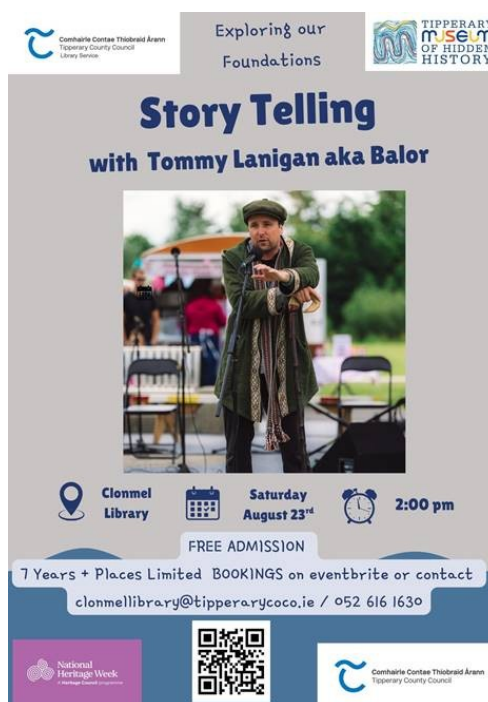
Workshops  
11am  
12.30pm  
2pm

**Unleash your creativity and craft something special. join our workshop and leave with your own masterpiece!**

**23 AUGUST, 2025**  
Tipperary Museum, Clonmel  
E91 Y891

**Free Admission**  
**Booking required**  
[museum@tipperarycoco.ie](mailto:museum@tipperarycoco.ie)  
**052 6165252**

National Heritage Week  
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Exploring our Foundations

TIPPERARY MUSEUM OF HIDDEN HISTORY

**Story Telling**  
with **Tommy Lanigan aka Balor**

**Clonmel Library**

**Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**2:00 pm**

**FREE ADMISSION**

7 Years + Places Limited BOOKINGS on eventbrite or contact  
[clonmellibrary@tipperarycoco.ie](mailto:clonmellibrary@tipperarycoco.ie) / 052 616 1630

National Heritage Week  
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Tipperary County Council

Art and craft family workshops will be held in the Museum at 11.00am, 12.30pm and 2.00pm

Free admission but booking is required

Click the link below to book your place

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1512233554269?aff=oddtcreator>

# OPPORTUNITIES



## **Festival in a Van is seeking a new Director/CEO**

Festival in a Van is funded by and works with a range of arts, social and civic organisations such as festivals, community centres, and local authorities to bring live performance where people are.

They are looking for a unique person to build on what has been done and bring it to the next level—someone who is deeply committed to utilising the arts as a tool to empower, bring joy to, and connect communities.

Location: This is a remote working position, and the Director can be anywhere in Ireland. Flexibility to travel around Ireland is a key requirement of the position.

Please submit a copy of your CV and a letter of application outlining your suitability for the role to [festivalinavanapps@gmail.com](mailto:festivalinavanapps@gmail.com)

Closing Date: Friday 22nd August 2025 @ 5pm

Find out more by visiting [Here](#)



Clonmel Applefest is currently seeking interest from local community groups to take part in the annual Harvest Fair.

This is a fun filled family event for all communities to participate in.

The Harvest Fair is a key event on the Applefest programme year. This year it takes place on:

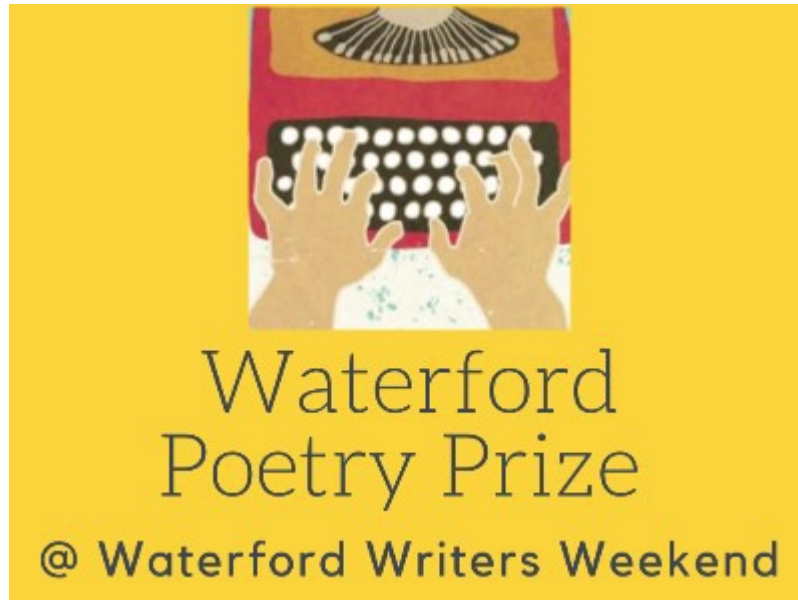
Saturday 27th September

11am - 5pm

Kickham Plaza, Clonmel

Participation is free

If interested, drop them a line at [registerapplefest@gmail.com](mailto:registerapplefest@gmail.com)



The Arts Office, Waterford City & County Council is pleased to announce that entries are not being accepted for the Waterford Poetry Prize 2025. The Waterford Poetry Prize is open to all writers currently living on the island of Ireland. The Prize has emerged from the influence of the late Waterford writer Sean Dunne whose poetry continues to inspire.

The winners of the Waterford Poetry Prize 2025 will be announced at the closing event of the Waterford Writers Weekend on Sunday 26 October, 2025. This year the Arts Office is pleased to welcome the poet, essayist and librettist, Jessica Traynor as adjudicator.

There is no age limit and no entry fee for the Waterford Poetry Prize 2025. The first prize is €500 plus attendance at a writing course under the auspices of the Molly Keane Writers Retreat, Ardmore. Second prize is €400 and third prize is €300.

The closing date for receipt of entries is **Friday 15th August 2025 at 12 noon.**

Online entries only will be accepted on the Waterford Submit link which can be found [Here.](#)



## 2026 Exhibition Programme

Nenagh Arts Centre invites applications from artists working in **all disciplines** to exhibit as part of their **2026 visual arts programme**.

We are committed to showcasing a diverse range of artistic practices and welcome proposals from emerging, mid-career, and established artists. Solo and group exhibition proposals are both encouraged.

**Deadline for submissions:** 5pm on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Please read full submission guidelines before applying:

[Guidelines](#)

**To Apply:** Submit your proposal, artist statement, CV, and a selection of images or links to previous work to:

[director@nenagharts.com](mailto:director@nenagharts.com)

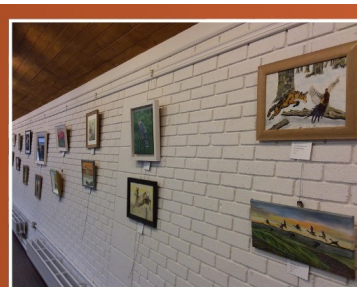
## Clonmel Exhibition Space

**Clonmel Library** is now accepting submissions to exhibit for 2026

Whether you are a professional, emerging or amateur artist they would like to hear from you.

To Apply:

Click [Here](#) complete the application form with some examples of your works



## Clonmel Exhibition Space

Applications for 2026 now being accepted

Are you an artist looking for a FREE space to display your work?

Clonmel Library offers its exhibition space for 2 week periods to artists looking to sell work and boost their profile.

To apply simply visit our website, select Clonmel from Branches and then click on the Exhibitions tab.



## Arts in Education Portal

Call for Presentations and Creative workshops—National Arts in Education Portal Day 2025

TU Dublin School Art & Design  
Saturday, 8th November, 2025

The National Portal Day brings together Irelands vibrant arts in education community to connect, exchange ideas, and explore best practices through dynamic presentations and workshops.

- Creative techniques
- Innovative approaches
- Thought-provoking insights

Submit your idea by **10th September**.

For more information and how to apply click [Here](#)



## Arts and Disability Connect Funding

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

### Arts and Disability Connect Round Two 2025

Opens Monday 18th August  
Deadline: Tuesday 7th October, at 4.00pm

Come and Ask Questions session via Zoom: Wednesday 3 September at 12 noon

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 [Here](#)

If you have questions about the scheme, email [connect@adiarts.ie](mailto:connect@adiarts.ie)



## **Creative Access Production Programme 2025**

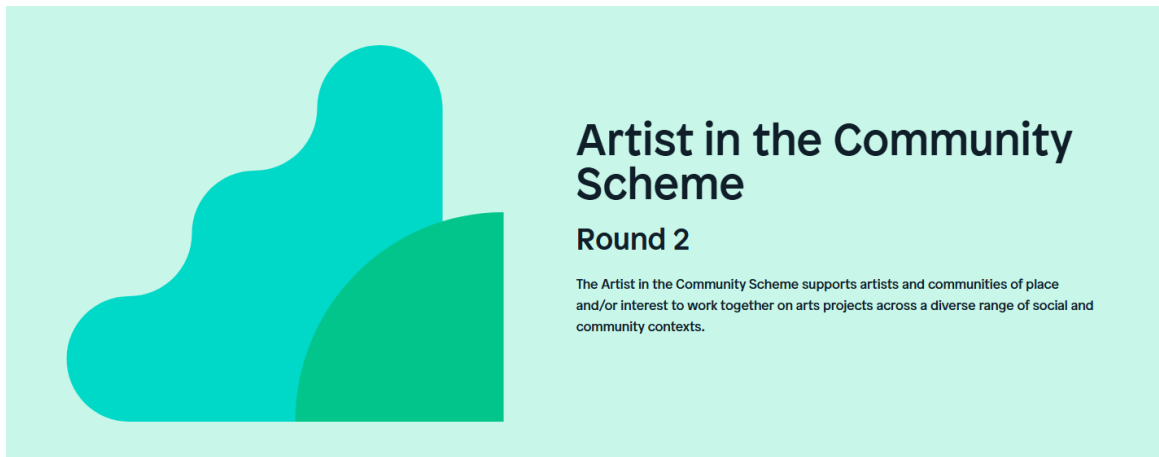
Disrupt Disability Arts Festival aims to break down barriers and make art more accessible by hiring several independent disabled arts workers in assistant producer roles to work with their festival artists from diverse disability arts communities.

The Creative Access Production Programme will offer mentorship, training, support and work placements over 14 to 18 months. Disrupt are looking for a group of diverse artists, arts workers or producers, with a lived experience of disability, who have a passion for Creative Accessible Production.

You can find more details on application, an easy read guide, audio resources, and ISL interpreted information, by visiting

<https://www.disruptfestival.ie/hub/creative-access-production-programme-2025/>

**The deadline for applications is Monday 18th August at 1pm**



## **Artist in Community Scheme**

The Artist in the Community Scheme is managed by Create, the national development agency for collaborative arts, on behalf of the Arts Council

Opportunities available under this award include:

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

**Closing date for application Monday 29th September at 5pm**

For more information and to apply visit:

<https://artscouncil.ie/funding-opportunities/artist-in-the-community-scheme-round-2/>



## **Eskeer Arts**

### **Offaly Artist Show 2025**

Eskeer Arts welcomes applications of interest from artists of all disciplines to feature in an exciting exhibition opportunity—the Offaly Artists Show, which will run throughout November and December 2025.

Artists originating from or currently residing in County Offaly, at all stages of their career may apply.

Please note that the selection of works chosen is by the decision of the exhibition curator and selection panel. All mediums accepted (e.g. painting, sculpture, print, photography, drawing, video and mixed media, ceramics, etc) Collectives/collaborations welcome.  
There is no fee to apply.

Email submissions to [admin@eskerarts.ie](mailto:admin@eskerarts.ie)

Deadline for submissions of work: **4.00pm, Thursday 4th September, 2025**

More Information [Here](#)



### **Wellness Tools for Freelancers & Events Workers**

11 August, 2025 @ 1.00pm—2.00pm

### **Fearless Booking for Artist & Creatives**

13 August, 2025 @ 1.00pm—2.00pm

### **Meet & Greet**

25 August, 2025 @ 7.00pm—8.00pm

For more information and to register:

<https://mindingcreativeminds.ie/events/>



## ARTS COUNCIL 2025 FUNDING SCHEDULE

More information: [Available funding | The Arts Council | An Chomhairle Ealaíon](#)

<b>FUNDING PROGRAMME</b>	<b>OPENING</b>	<b>CLOSING</b>
Irish Language Theatre Award	Open	31 July, 2025
Strategic Funding 2026	Open	4 September 2025
Arts Centre Partnership-Funding	Open	11 September 2025
Visual Artists Workspace Scheme	12 August, 2025	11 September 2025
Artist in Community Scheme Round 2	11 August, 2025	29 September, 2025
Partnership Funding	22 July 2025	2 October, 2025

# EVENTS

 COMHALTAS

# Seisiún

**2025**

**A Music Trail Through Ireland**  
Siamsaíocht Ghaelach Náisiúnta agus Ceol na nGael  
Traditional Irish Music, Song, Dance and Storytelling



**Perform in Cahir Castle**  
**Cahir, Co. Tipperary.**

**Every Thursday @ 8pm for July & August**  
**Starting Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup>**

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Tipperary County Council

 COMHALTAS

**FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT**  
**Mary: 086 062 4217 / Clara: 086 372 1672 / Yvonne: 087 944 4658**  
**Cahir House Hotel Reception (052) 744 3000**  
**& Cahir Castle (on the night only) Adm: €10 (Cash only)**

[www.walshgraphicdesign.net](http://www.walshgraphicdesign.net)

## Some Upcoming Festivals in Tipperary for August

### Queen of the Castle Festival 2025

Cahir

1st to 4th August, 2025

Find out more [Here](#)



Live Art Ireland presents

### Convergence a Borderless Romance 2025

From 8th—10th August, 2025  
Milford House  
Borrisokane  
E45PO84



### Clonmel Busking Festival

8th to 10th August, 2025



### Fethard Festival Heritage Day 2025

23rd to 24th August, 2025  
(Sunday 24th Main event)

Find out more [Here](#)



067 34400  
www.nenagharts.com  
Banba Square, Nenagh,  
Co. Tipperary E45 NX26



**Nenagh Street Collective**  
1st Tuesday of every month  
6.30pm—8.30pm

Are you passionate about capturing moments, exploring new angles, and sharing your love for photography? We invite you to join our photography meet-up, where shutterbugs of all levels can come together to exchange ideas, learn from each other, and simply indulge in the joy of photography. Are you ready for chats, photowalks, learning and sharing the knowledge with others? Join us! Our meetings are relaxed and the vibe is friendly and cool without pretention. All are welcome!  
Come and enjoy your first meeting for FREE!

### **Sunflower Exhibition For Ukrainian Independence**

Launch: 5 August @ 6pm

Special Gathering: 21 August @ 3pm



**'Drawing on History' -**  
Nenagh Castle Sketching Workshop  
Wednesday 20th August, 2025  
1pm—2pm  
Free

Join local artist, Seán Ferry, for an 'en plein air' drawing workshop. Participants will be looking to Nenagh Castle as their subject and inspiration. This workshop is part of Nenagh Arts Centre's Heritage week celebrations.  
Join us in celebrating all aspects of our built, natural and cultural heritage for National Heritage Week 2025.

Limited Spaces—booking is essential—Click

To find out about more upcoming events click [Here](#)



# 'Flora and Fauna'

*The Bold and Beautiful Wilderness*  
Outdoor Exhibition

**Garda Station Laneway  
Roscrea, Co. Tipperary  
E53F668**

**June 14<sup>th</sup> to August 29<sup>th</sup>  
2025**

**Please Support  
Local Artists**

## **Floral and Fauna an Outdoor Exhibition**

Come and enjoy a feast for the eyes along with the Garda Station Laneway, Roscrea, Co Tipperary this summer.

Flora and Fauna, the Bold and Beautiful Outdoor Exhibition is taking place June 13, 2025, until August 29, 2025.

This exhibition features 13 local artists exploring the bright and beautiful world around us.

The works of art on showcase are 3ft by 4ft acrylic paintings on marine plywood. Make sure to take your time to stroll along the laneway soaking up the beautiful art.

## Tipperary County Council

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Email:  
artsoffice@tipperarycoco.ie

## 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](mailto: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](http://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.

