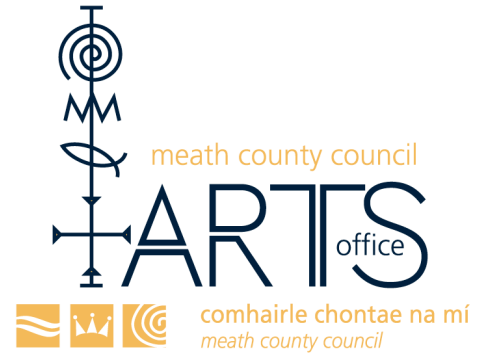
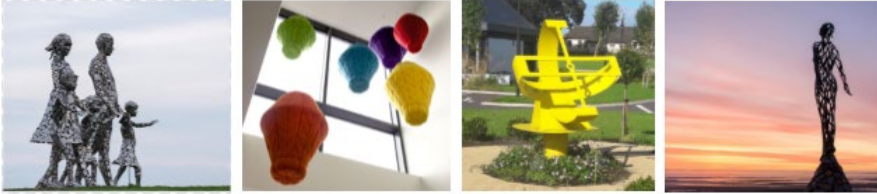


# JUNE 2024 MEATH ARTS OFFICE NEWSLETTER



## Meath Culture Night 2024 Event Grant



**Reminder - MEATH CULTURE NIGHT 2024 EVENT GRANT SCHEME** Closing date for receipt of applications is **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm.**

Culture Night is an annual all-island public event that celebrates culture, creativity and the arts, taking place on **Friday 20th September 2024.**

This award supports artists, venues and local arts/cultural organisations who wish to host a Culture Night event in County Meath.

The event must take place between 4pm and 11pm on Friday 20th September **and be free of charge to the public.**

Maximum amount available up to €1,000

Closing date for applications is **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm**

Applications available at **Meath County Council (submit.com)**

Enquires to [artsfunding@meathcoco.ie](mailto:artsfunding@meathcoco.ie)

# Toradh Gallery 2

## Syd Bluett Exhibition

This latest, major exhibition of new works by Syd Bluett, features challenging hand-drawn and hand-painted phrases on semi-architectural backgrounds. The intention behind the works is: simply to intrigue and entertain.

Presented by Meath County Council Arts Office in association with Kells Type Trail & Hinterland Festival of Literature & Arts this exhibition runs from **June 27th to August 22nd**.

SYD will give a series of artists talks and tours of his work over the Hinterland Festival weekend and during Heritage Week. See [www.hinterland.ie](http://www.hinterland.ie) and [www.meath.ie](http://www.meath.ie) or email [artsoffice@meathcoco.ie](mailto:artsoffice@meathcoco.ie) for further details.

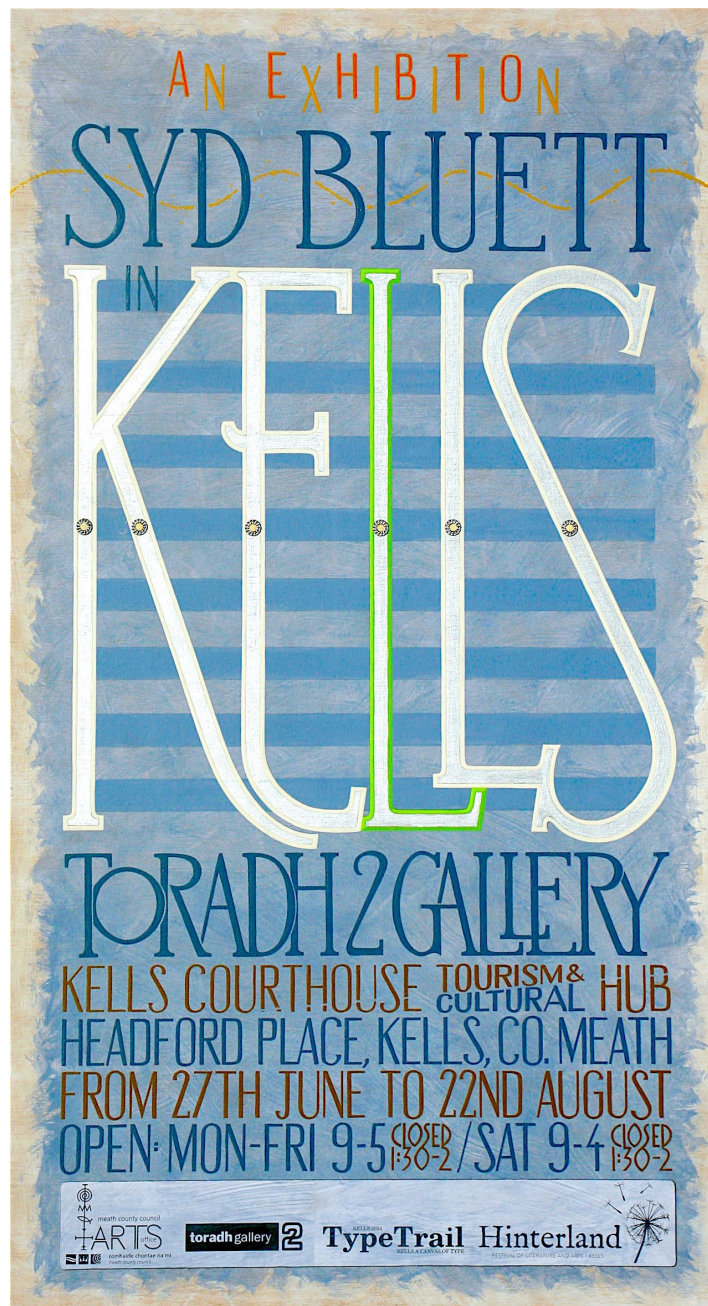
**Toradh 2 Gallery,  
Kells Courthouse Arts, Tourism and Cultural Hub,  
Headfort Place,  
Kells,  
Co Meath,  
A82 RY62**

### Opening Hours:

Mon- Fri: 9:00am – 5:00pm (closed for lunch 1:30-2:00pm)

Saturday: 9:00am – 4:00pm (closed for lunch 1:30-2:00pm)

**Entry Free**



# Type Trail 2024

This year's Type Trail launch takes place on 27th June, as it once again turns the streets of Kells into a canvas of Type.

Kells Type Trail brings together a wide range of artforms highlighting the unique heritage of lettering as a form of communication. Each year one word is translated into a variety of languages reflecting the diversity of the community in Kells with the aim of providing a means to bring individuals and groups together.

This year's word is 'Evolve'.

Further information available at <http://www.kellstypetrail.com/>



Kells Type Trail is supported by Meath County Council Arts Office with assistance from the Arts Council and Creative Ireland.

Clár Éire Ildánach  
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# Hinterland 2024



Hinterland are delighted to announce their programme for Hinterland Festival of Literature and Arts. Join them in Kells, Co. Meath for over 50 different events running from 27 - 30 June for yet another weekend of literature, laughter, debate, art, music, ideas and reflection – mingling with some of the finest writers, thinkers and artists, as you wonder from venue to venue, around Kells beautiful heritage town.

Hinterland is an annual multi-disciplinary arts festival based in the spiritual home of the Book of Kells. Their 12<sup>th</sup> festival promises an illuminating journey of debate, discussion, reflection and imagination – on the world as it is, and how it might be.

Full details available at [Hinterland Festival Kells 27 - 30 June 2024](#)

**The Bookmarket – Unplugged Event**

# THE BOOKMARKET UNPLUGGED

# DENI BONET & CHRIS FLYNN

GUEST APPEARANCE BY  
**MICHAEL  
BRUNNOCK**



**THURSDAY 4TH JULY**  
**DOORS 7PM / PERFORMANCE 7.30PM**  
**BOOKMARKET CAFÉ**

**TICKETS €12**

From [eventbrite.ie](http://eventbrite.ie) & Bookmarket Café

Limited Capacity / Wine Bar Open / Tel: 087 9034792



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# Bettystown Composer, David Ernest McCarthy brings his Composition to the National Concert Hall

Congratulations to **Meath Arts Office Professional Artist Development 2023 Awardee, David Ernest McCarthy** as he brings his world premiere composition to the National Concert Hall on 2nd July.

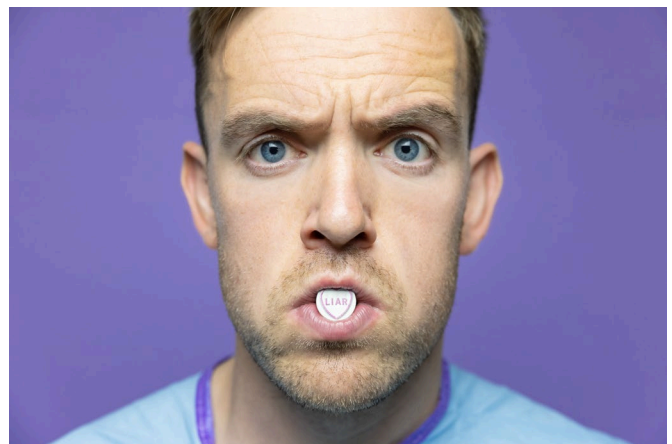
Hastings winner, Roman Kosyakov plays some of the most difficult and finest piano works from the repertoire including Davids Ernest McCarthys composition.

Further details of this event and tickets available at <https://www.nch.ie>

## Congratulations to Meath Artist, Tom Moran

Congratulations to **Meath Arts Office Professional Artist Development 2023 Awardee, Tom Moran** as he completes his National tour of his critically acclaimed show *Tom Moran is a Big Fat Filthy Disgusting Liar* after sell-out runs at Dublin Fringe, the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, the Abbey Theatre and The Swift Cultural Centre, Trim.

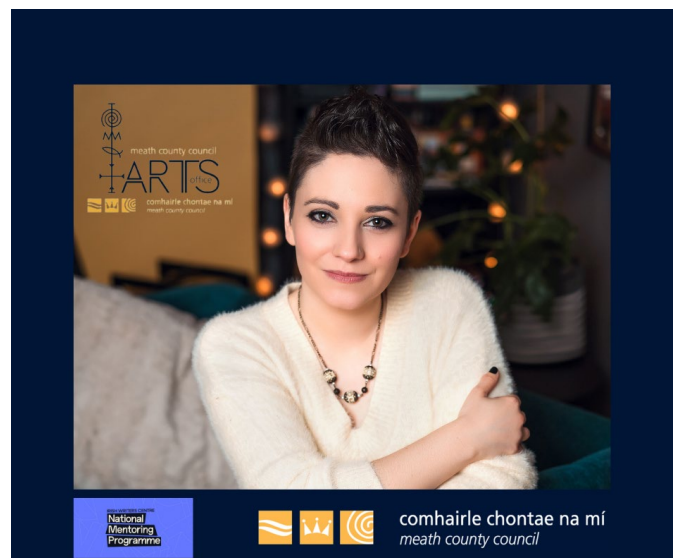
Brimming with compassion and humour, Tom has secrets to share and a future to fix in this Tom Moran and Abbey Theatre co-production.



## Congratulations to Meath Writer, Geraldine Walsh

39 writers have been awarded a place on the Irish Writers Centre National Mentoring Programme 2024!

Congratulations to local Meath writer, **Geraldine Walsh**, who has been selected by the Irish Writers Centre to receive professional literary mentoring over the next eight months from an acclaimed Irish writer of their choice. Read more here: <https://irishwriterscentre.ie/irish-writers-centre.../>



# Meath Arts Office Associate Artist, Deirdre Kinahan wins inaugural Terry Pratchett Prize

Congratulations to Meath Arts Office Associate Artist, playwright **Deirdre Kinahan** who, along with Actor Bryan Murray was recently awarded The Trinity Centre for Literary and Cultural Translation inaugural Pratchett Prize for challenging the stigma of Alzheimer's Disease in her play *An Old Song, Half Forgotten*.

The 2023 Abbey Theatre production was written for and performed by one of Ireland's most celebrated actors, Bryan Murray, who himself is living with Alzheimer's. The original concept development week was held at Dunderry Park with support from the Arts Office and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sports & Media.

Responding to the award Deirdre commented: "Writing *An Old Song, Half Forgotten* was one of the most thrilling, unique and humbling experiences of my 25-year theatre career to date. We wanted to celebrate the extraordinary resilience of human beings, the exquisite joy of artistic craft and the truth of Alzheimer's by creating a piece of theatre elevated rather than compromised by that condition. I hope that through this prize we can share our experience and present a blueprint for other artists, other theatres, other communities around the world - a great actor is a great actor with or without Alzheimer's".





# Congratulations to Meath Arts Office Associate Artist songwriter, Oisín Leech

**Oisín Leech** is known as one half of The Lost Brothers - who has just released his much-acclaimed debut solo album 'Cold Sea'. Listed by the Irish Times as one of the Top Ten Albums of 2024, Leech, a Navan based musician of great sensitivity in melody and lyrics, will perform on the main stage at Another Love Story Festival in August.

See [www.oisinleech.com](http://www.oisinleech.com)

