



## Welcome to the Laois Arts Office Newsletter

**September 2024**

Welcome to our Laois Arts Office Newsletter. We look forward to sharing details of our upcoming programmes and projects planned for the coming year. We are happy to promote events in our newsletters throughout the year. Please email brief details and a quality image to [arts@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:arts@laoiscoco.ie).

Next edition due out in October/November.

The Arts Office team comprises of Muireann Ní Chonaill, Arts Officer, Monica Flynn, Assistant Arts Officer and Oisín Neeson, Clerical Officer. We are always interested in hearing from the public with arts related queries and happy to offer advice when we can.

Muireann Ní Chonaill  
Arts Officer



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This Friday, September 20th, join us for an unforgettable evening in County Laois! Music, dancing, storytelling, arts and much more awaits. The night promises an unforgettable experience for people of all ages and interests.

Whether you're looking to learn something new or celebrate your passion for the arts, Culture Night promises a fun evening of culture and creativity.

For more information on events in Laois, visit

<https://culturenight.ie/location/laois/>

All Events are Free!



### Autumn Leaves with Dr Arthur Broomfield

Join Dr Broomfield for three poetry workshops and a poetry reading event for family and friends.

Dr Arthur Broomfield is a poet, essayist, and short story writer. He has published nine books including six poetry collections. He holds workshops for poets and mentors writers online.

October 7th ,14th ,21st , and 29th at 11:00am - 13:00pm

€10 per session or €35 for the full four sessions (payable in advance).

Booking is essential, fees to be paid in advance directly to the Laois County Council Cash Office (Tel. 057 867 4308).

Address: Court Square, Stradbally, County Laois, R32 KWX3

Laois Arthouse Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am – 3.30pm



## The Laois Arthouse & Gallery, & Library, Stradbally

Invite you to

### **ANSEO:HERE**

An exhibition by the Laois Arthouse Studio Artists

**Stephanie Deady, Lia Laimbock, Bernadette Keating, Greg Hallahan**

Opening by Cathaoirleach Pádraig Fleming

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024, at 6.30pm

This will be followed by Open Studios until 8:00pm

Music by Liarnan & storytelling by Michelle Quirke in the Library

8.30 - 9.30pm

Light refreshments will be served.

The exhibition runs until 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024

#### **Gallery Opening times:**

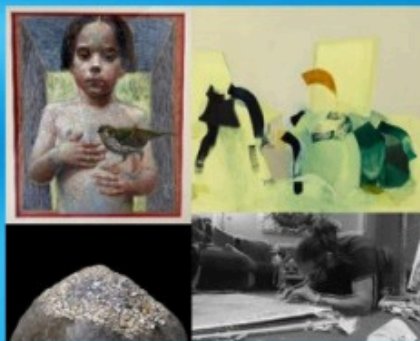
Tuesday to Friday, 1pm-4pm entry through the Laois Arthouse

Tuesday & Thursday 5.30pm-8pm entry through the library

Saturday: 10am-1pm entry through Library

**For more details: T: 057-8664109 E [arts@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:arts@laoiscoco.ie)**

Tours available on request to [arts@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:arts@laoiscoco.ie)



## Tyrone Guthrie Bursary Scheme 2024

The Tyrone Guthrie Bursary Scheme is a fantastic chance for creative souls to immerse themselves in a dedicated arthouse, providing a peaceful setting to inspire their imaginations.

This year, the program was delighted to host the talented local artists Bernadette Keating and Niamh Coffey.



'My week-long residency at the Tyrone Guthrie Centre, was a transformative experience, offering a tranquil retreat for intellectual engagement. My primary goal for the week was to immerse myself in reading various books and academic papers on the origin of scientific thinking, and the fundamental concepts of physics and time' - Bernadette Keating

'I had an incredibly productive and useful residency, creating 45 new drawings, including 4 that will be made into tufted works in the coming months. I hosted an open studio and invited other residents to view my work and gave a short talk about it' - Niamh Coffey



Work in Progress - The Library Room, Tyrone Guthrie Cent - by Bernadette Keating



Several Works - by Niamh Coffey



## Laois Youth Theatre to Return in October!

Laois Youth Theatre is Back!

Laois Youth Theatre (LYT) returns after the summer break on October the 1st with a free introductory session on stage at the Dunamaise Arts Centre at 6:30pm.

First workshop resumes on Tuesday 8th October in Dance Laois, 4 Hynes Square, Portlaoise, R32 X659

Laois Youth Theatre is open to young people aged 12-18 who are interested in drama, acting, creative writing, comedy, storytelling and everything else that goes into making theater happen - on and off stage! If you're shy of performance, but have a creative mind for design, storytelling and collaboration, these weekly workshops will support learning new skills, developing confidence and making friends.



Contact Pauline Dunne at 085 788 7303 to get involved or to arrange a free taster session in your school.

Laois Youth Theatre is funded by Laois Arts Office and supported by Dunamaisé Arts Centre.



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