



Open Call for Solo Exhibitions 2026 Season



We are inviting artists to apply for our 2026 Season of Solo Exhibitions.

Birr Theatre & Arts Centre benefits from a welcoming exhibition space and significant footfall from a wide audience of dedicated arts lover and amateurs alike.

We endeavour to support a wide range of visual art media and host regular shows from both emerging and established artists based locally, nationally and internationally.

We are always on the look-out for innovative, distinctive and inspiring work to share with our local patrons.

Each show is the result of a thoughtful curation process either through invited projects, partnership with other organisations, and those selected or developed from our open submissions.

Today we start our **2026 Open Call for Solo Exhibitions**. We are inviting proposals for 6-week exhibitions from professional artists working across all contemporary visual art forms. Proposals should demonstrate the vision of the artist, how their practice evolves and how they stay true to themselves and relevant to their place in our world.

The selected artists will receive installation support in preparing the exhibition as well as full marketing and communication support before, during and immediately after the exhibition.

The exhibition takes place in the **theatre gallery** and a **virtual gallery** will be available on the Birr Theatre & Arts Centre's website upon request. This is an opportunity for an artist to show their work in an intimate space supported by a vibrant, local art loving community. You can see the space in the last pages of the open call.



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ELIGIBILITY

Birr Theatre & Arts Centre 2026 Solo Exhibition Call is open for all professional artists and makers 18+ no matter what medium (paintings, sculptures, photography, installations, prints, textiles, illustrations, digital art, etc...), style or inspiration.

GUIDELINES

Proposals should include the following information:

- Name and contact details, including e-mail (and website if applicable)
- Biography/CV – a brief summary of education to date, previous experience, exhibitions, commissions, publications, etc. (max 400 words)
- A brief description of what you propose to exhibit (max 500 words)
- Images of your work – this should not exceed 6 images of previous work and 6 images of the proposed work (if already made).
- Preferred dates for exhibition
- **A preferred way of submission is to collate all the information onto a single pdf or word document.**
- Please note: You must ensure that e-mailed images are no larger than 2MB each.
- Do not send proposals by post as we do not have the capacity to return materials.
- Artists are advised to visit the space and consider how it will work on the walls.

WHAT EXHIBITORS RECEIVE

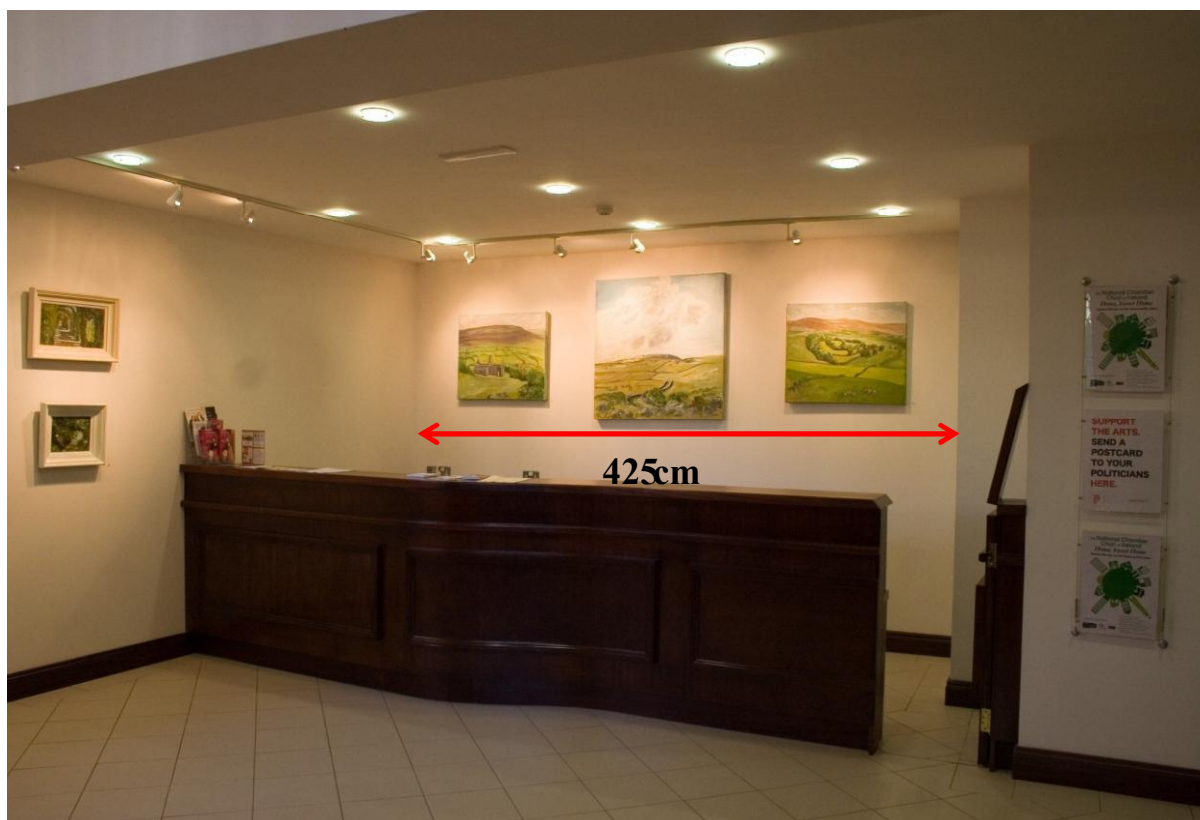
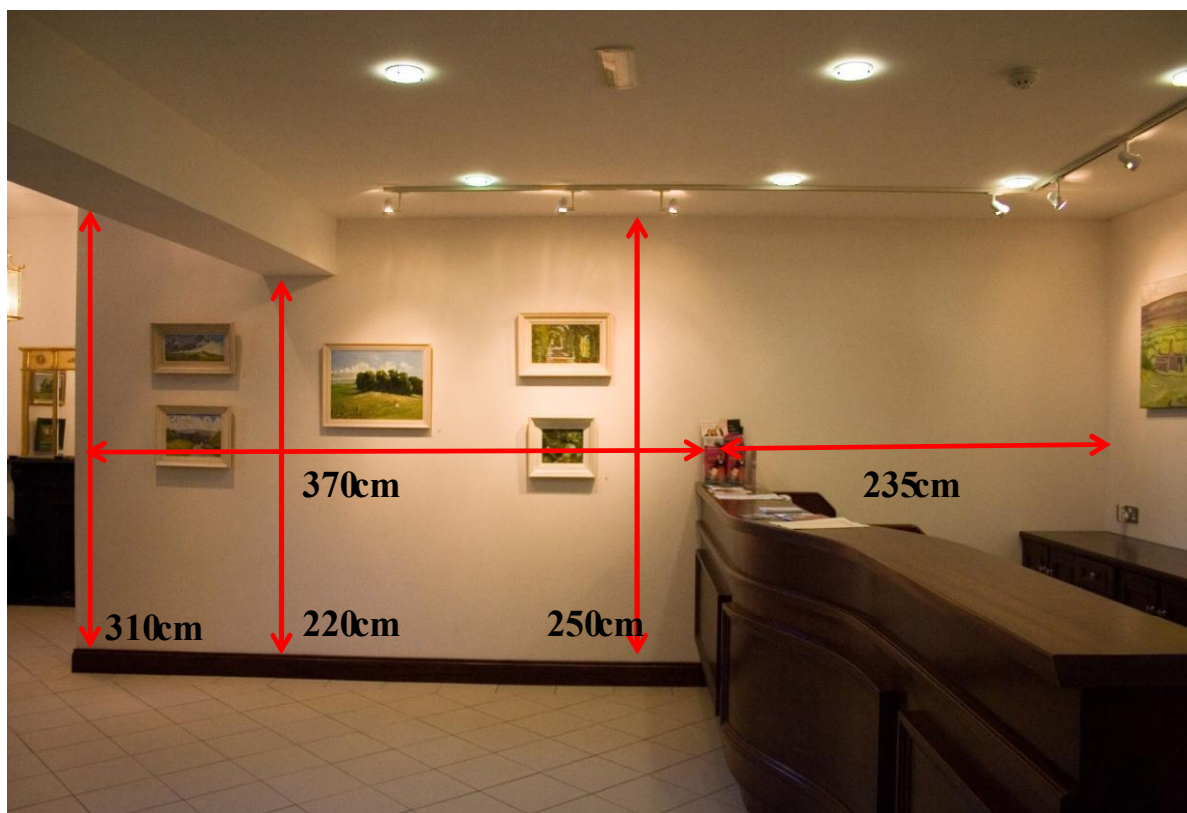
- Minimum 6 week solo exhibition at Birr Theatre & Arts Centre in 2026 or 2027
- Opportunities to contribute to audience engagement programme
- Support with planning and installation layout
- Marketing/Communication support
- Exhibition text / catalogue
- Online Gallery for duration of exhibition
- Opening Reception if required
- Press materials and PR support

Deadline for entry in the 2026/27 exhibition season:

Friday, 10th October 2025, 5pm

Send e-mail proposals to: info@birrtheatre.com

Our Gallery Space in detail:

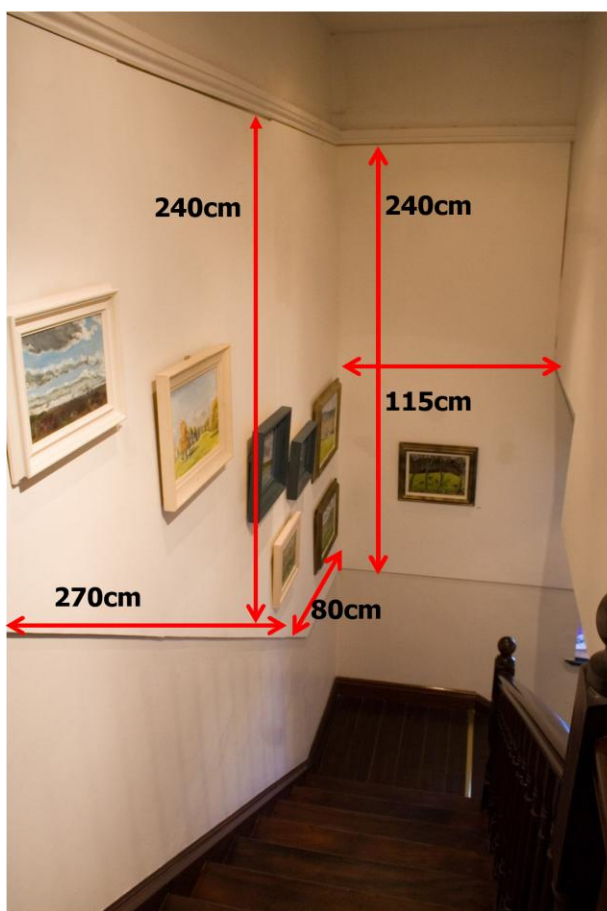




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By the fireplace





Walls are lined with plywood so work can be securely affixed to the walls.

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